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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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FREIGHTLINER LLC
4747 NORTH CHANNEL AVENUE
PORTLAND OR 97217-7699

NVS-215
06V-321

Subject: STOP LIGHT SWITCH

Dear MR. BLUBAUGH:

This letter is to acknowledge your recent defect information report. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

Makes/Models/Model Years:
FREIGHTLINER/MT-45/2007
FREIGHTLINER/MT-55/2007

NHTSA Campaign Number: 06V-321

Mfg's Report Date: August 9, 2006

Components: EXTERIOR LIGHTING: BRAKE LIGHTS: SWITCH

Potential Number of Units Affected: 3,300

Summary:

ON CERTAIN WALK-IN VANS, THE STOP LAMPS MAY BE INTERMITTENT DURING LIGHT BRAKE APPLICATIONS. THE CRUISE CONTROL MAY NOT IMMEDIATELY DEACTIVATE WHEN THE SERVICE BRAKES ARE APPLIED.

Consequence:

THE STOP LAMPS MAY NOT PROPERLY INDICATE THAT THE SERVICE BRAKES ARE APPLIED. THE CRUISE CONTROL MAY NOT IMMEDIATELY DEACTIVATE WHEN THE SERVICE BRAKES ARE APPLIED. EITHER CONDITION MAY LEAD TO A CRASH WITHOUT PRIOR WARNING.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL REPLACE THE SWITCH WITH ONE HAVING A LOWER APPLICATION LOAD RATING FREE OF CHARGE. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON OCTOBER 10, 2006. OWNERS MAY CONTACT FREIGHTLINER AT 1-800-547-0712.

Notes:

FREIGHTLINER RECALL NO. FL-479. CUSTOMERS MAY ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://www.safercar.gov).

Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

Please provide an estimated dealer notification date (month/day/year).

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. As stated in your report, owner notification is expected to begin on October 10, 2006. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before January 30, 2007.

Your contacts for this recall will be Pat Wallace or Delia Lopez, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5232 or 202-366-9525 or by email at patricia.wallace@dot.gov or delia.lopez@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,



George H. Person
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement