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**National Highway
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Administration**

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NVS-215paw
07V-532

Subject: WIPER MOTOR GROUND WIRE

Dear MR. ZAMANI:

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/CENTURY ST/2008
FREIGHTLINER/COLUMBIA/2008
FREIGHTLINER/CORONADO/2008

NHTSA Campaign Number: 07V-532

Mfg's Report Date: November 6, 2007

Components: VISIBILITY: WINDSHIELD WIPER/WASHER/MOTOR

Potential Number of Units Affected: 5,000

Summary:
ON CERTAIN TRUCKS, THE WIPER MOTOR GROUND WIRE WAS OMITTED IN A NEW HARNESS DESIGN. THE WIPER MOTOR MAY NOT OPERATE OR MAY FUNCTION INTERMITTENTLY.

Consequence:

THE WIPER MOTOR MAY STOP FUNCTIONING, IN CERTAIN CONDITIONS, THIS COULD IMPAIR VISIBILITY AND A CRASH COULD OCCUR IF THE VEHICLE IS NOT SAFELY STOPPED.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL ADD A GROUND WIRE TO THE WIPER MOTOR HARNESS. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON OR ABOUT JANUARY 6, 2008. OWNERS MAY CONTACT FREIGHTLINER AT 1-800-547-0712.

Notes:

FREIGHTLINER RECALL NO. FL-515. 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).

The information in your defect report appears to satisfy the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6 except for the following items:

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. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

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, Delia.lopez@dot.gov, or through the office email at RMD.ODI@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,



George H. Person
Chief, Recall Management Division
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Enforcement