



U.S. Department  
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**National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration**

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NVS-215dgl  
09V-376

**SUBJECT: SIDE-ROLL AIR BAGS/INADVERTANT DEPLOYMENT/IMMI**

**DEAR MR. ZAMANI:**

This letter serves to acknowledge Daimler Trucks North America's (DTNA) notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a defect in the vehicles listed below for which a safety recall campaign will be conducted pursuant to Federal law.

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/CASCADIA/2008-2009

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 09V-376      **Mfg's Report Date:** September 21, 2009

**Components:** AIR BAGS

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 10

**Summary:**

DAIMLER TRUCKS IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2008 THROUGH 2009 TRUCKS EQUIPPED WITH INDIANA MILLS AND MANUFACTURING ROLLTEK SIDE-ROLL PROTECTION SYSTEMS. THE SENSOR DESIGNED TO DETECT VEHICLE ROLL CAN MALFUNCTION AND CAUSE THE SIDE AIRBAGS TO INADVERTENTLY DEPLOY.

**Consequence:**

INADVERTENT DEPLOYMENT OF THE SIDE AIRBAGS COULD RESULT IN A VEHICLE CRASH OR INJURY TO AN OUT OF POSITION OCCUPANT.

**Remedy:**

DAIMLER TRUCKS WILL INSPECT TO DETERMINE IF A VEHICLE CONTAINS AN AFFECTED SYSTEM AND, IF SO, THAT SYSTEM WILL BE REPLACED FREE OF CHARGE. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON OR BEFORE NOVEMBER 20, 2009. OWNERS MAY CONTACT DAIMLER TRUCKS AT 1-800-547-0712.

**Notes:**

DAIMLER TRUCKS RECALL NO. FL-559. 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.

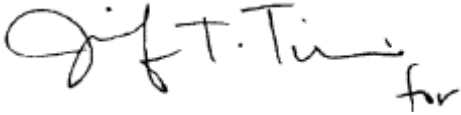
Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

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 contact for this recall will be Delia Lopez who may be reached by phone at 202-366-9525, or by email at [Delia.lopez@dot.gov](mailto:Delia.lopez@dot.gov), or through the office email at [RMD.ODI@dot.gov](mailto:RMD.ODI@dot.gov). We look forward to working with you toward a successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "G. H. Person" with a stylized flourish at the end.

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