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November 25, 2009

Dan Smith  
Associate Administrator for Enforcement  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
Attention: Recall Management Division (NVS-215)  
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.  
Washington D.C. 20590

**Re: Defect Information Report FL-570, MVP-EF Accelerator Pedal**

Mr. Smith

In accordance with Part 573 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Daimler Trucks North America LLC herewith reports a safety campaign to recall approximately 5,080 Thomas Built Buses MVP-EF School Buses manufactured February 15, 2005 through November 23, 2009 with an accelerator pedal which may become stuck.

Attached is Daimler Trucks North America's Defect Information Report.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,



Nasser Zamani

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## Defect Information Report

(Section 573.6)

November 25, 2009

**(c)(1) Manufacturer:** Daimler Trucks North America LLC  
P.O. BOX 3849  
Portland, Oregon 97208  
(503) 745-5219

**Brands:** Thomas Built Buses

**(c)(2) Vehicles identification:**

**Model(s) affected:** MVP-EF

**Model Years affected:** 2006 through 2011

**Manufacture Dates:** February 15, 2005 through November 23, 2009

**Basis for determining population:** Units built since manufacturing change lowering pedal height 1.50".

**Component manufacturer if other than the vehicle manufacturer:** Not Applicable

**(c)(3) Total number of vehicles potentially affected:** Approximately 5,080

**(c)(4) Percentage of vehicles estimated to contain the defect:** Unknown

**(c)(5) Description of the defect:** Under certain conditions and pedal application the accelerator pedal may become wedged against scuff plate and become stuck in full throttle position.

**49CFR Section 577.5(f) Evaluation of the risk to motor vehicle safety:** A stuck accelerator pedal may increase the risk of a crash.

**(c)(6) Chronology of principal events:** September 2009 – customer complained of accelerator pedal becoming stuck while bus was in route. November 2009 – received second complaint of accelerator pedal sticking in route.

**(c)(7) Noncompliance-test or other data:** Not Applicable

**(c)(8) (i) Remedial program:** Accelerator pedals will be raised 0.75" Repairs will be performed by Daimler Trucks North America dealerships and Direct Warranty customers, i.e., customers approved by Daimler Trucks North America to do their own warranty repairs  
**Reimbursement Plan:** Copies will be submitted as a supplemental report when available.

**(ii) Estimated Owner and Dealer Notification Date:** Customer notification will be by first class mail using Daimler Trucks North America records to determine the customers affected. This will be completed approximately February 19, 2010  
Dealer notification will be completed approximately February 19, 2010

**(c)(9) Information for tire recalls:** Not Applicable

**(c)(10) Communications sent to manufacturers, dealers and owners:** Copies will be submitted as a supplemental report when available.

**(c)(11) Manufacturer's campaign number:** FL-570