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**Re: Defect Information Report – Supplemental Report No. 2
10V-149, FL-576, Unimog Transverse-Control Arm Welds
Owner Re-notification**

Mr. Smith,

In accordance with Part 573.6(c)(10) of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Daimler Trucks North America LLC herewith submits supplemental defect information and a representative copy of the document distributed to owners. Owners of 94 vehicles were re-notified between July 20, 2011 and July 21, 2011. A copy of communications sent to owners is attached.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,



Nasser Zamani

Cc: Amy Martin, CAL-OSHA
Enclosure

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REMINDER NOTICE

Subject: Unimog Transverse-Control Arm Welds

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Daimler Trucks North America LLC, the agent of Daimler AG Unimog Division, has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists on specific Unimog U500NA vehicles manufactured November 19, 2002, through January 23, 2007.

A weld connecting the transverse-control arm eye to the control arm tube may not be to specification, potentially allowing the eye to separate from the tube without warning under severe driving conditions. Unexpected separation may cause a loss of vehicle control and possible vehicle crash and personal injury.

The welds on front and rear suspension transverse-control arms will be inspected and improperly welded transverse-control arms will be replaced.

This is a follow up to a previous communication. Our records indicate that your vehicle has not yet had this recall performed. Please make arrangements to have this repair done as soon as possible. If it has been completed, please disregard this letter.

Please contact an authorized Daimler Trucks North America dealer to arrange to have the recall performed and to ensure that parts are available at the dealership. To locate an authorized dealer, search online at www.Daimler-TrucksNorthAmerica.com. The Recall will take between approximately half an hour and two hours, depending on the work needed, and will be performed at no charge to you.

IMPORTANT: When the Recall has been completed, please ensure that a label has been affixed to your vehicle referencing **FL576**.

If you do not own the vehicle that corresponds to the identification number(s) which appears on the Recall Notification, please return the notification to the Warranty Campaigns Department with any information you can furnish that will assist us in locating the present owner. If you have leased this vehicle, Federal law requires that you forward this notice to the lessee within 10 days. If you are a subsequent stage manufacturer, Federal law requires that you forward this notice to your distributors and retail outlets within five working days.

If you have questions about this Recall, please contact the Warranty Campaigns Department at (800) 547-0712, 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Pacific Time Monday through Friday, e-mail address DTNA.Warranty.Campaigns@Daimler.com, or the Customer Assistance Center at (800) FTL-HELP after normal business hours. If you are not able to have the defect remedied without charge and within a reasonable time, which is not longer than 60 days after you tender the vehicle for repair, you may wish to submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590; or call the Vehicle Safety Hotline at (888) 327-4236 (TTY: 800-424-9153); or to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

We regret any inconvenience this action may cause but feel certain you understand our interest in motor vehicle safety.

WARRANTY CAMPAIGNS DEPARTMENT

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