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Attention: Recall Management Division (NVS-215)  
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Washington D.C. 20590

**Re: Defect Information Report FL-610, Coronado Logger Bumper Brackets**

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 256 Freightliner Coronado vehicles manufactured March 9, 2010 through July 16, 2011, and equipped with bumper mounting brackets that may develop cracks.

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)

August 8, 2011

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

**Brands:** Freightliner

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

**Model(s) affected:** Coronado

**Model Years affected:** 2011, 2012

**Manufacture Dates:** March 9, 2010 through July 16, 2011

**Basis for determining population:** All Coronado vehicles with a set forward front axle and a Logger bumper with a center tow device built from March 9, 2010 through July 16, 2011

**Component manufacturer if other than the vehicle manufacturer:**

**(c)(3) Total number of vehicles potentially affected:** Estimated at 256

**(c)(4) Percentage of vehicles estimated to contain the defect:** 100%

**(c)(5) Description of the defect:** Certain bumper mounting brackets may crack. If not repaired, propagation of a crack may lead to separation of a bumper from the vehicle.

**49CFR Section 577.5(f) Evaluation of the risk to motor vehicle safety:** Components separated from a moving vehicle may create a road debris hazard.

**(c)(6) Chronology of principal events:** In mid April of 2011, a dealer reported that the bumper mounting brackets on a vehicle had cracked. At the end of May 2011 a second report of cracked bumper mounting brackets was received. DTNA immediately began an investigation to determine if these were isolated incidents or if it potentially affected a larger population of vehicles. On August 1, 2011 DTNA determined that a potential defect related to motor vehicle safety may exist in certain Freightliner Coronado vehicles.

**(c)(7) Noncompliance-test or other data:** N/A

**(c)(8) (i) Remedial program:** The bumper mounting brackets will be replaced. Repairs will be performed by Daimler Trucks North America authorized service facilities.  
**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 October 6, 2011  
Dealer and distributor notification will be completed approximately October 6, 2011

**(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-610