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Pre-Recall Notice

NHTSA #10V-178 (Non-School Buses)

#10V-177 (School Buses)

## Subject: Hydraulic Brake Pedal Light Switches

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, on behalf of its Freightliner Trucks Division and its wholly owned subsidiary, Freightliner Custom Chassis Corporation, has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists on specific Freightliner Business Class M2 vehicles and Freightliner Custom Chassis MC chassis and B2 (Thomas Built Buses Saf-T-Liner C2) school bus chassis manufactured January 19, 2005, through April 16, 2010, with hydraulic brakes.

The stop lamps may illuminate intermittently during light brake applications. Stop lamps that do not properly indicate that the service brakes are applied may lead to a possible vehicle crash.

This is the first of two letters you will receive regarding this subject. This letter is to inform you of an upcoming Recall to correct the issue noted above. At this time, the remedy has not been determined. When the remedy is determined and parts are available, you will receive a second letter. When you receive it, please contact your authorized Daimler Trucks North America dealer to schedule the recall for your vehicle. You may continue to operate your vehicle.

In the interim, for vehicles exhibiting this issue, replace the brake light switch as a temporary measure until the recall remedy is available.

If you do not own the vehicle that corresponds to the identification number(s), which appears on the recall Notification, please return the notification in the postage-paid envelope with any information you can furnish that will assist us in locating the present owner.

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](mailto: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.

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Enclosure