



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

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Mr. Nasser Zamani
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NVS-215SM
14V-590

Subject: Fuse may Blow if using both Hazard & Brake Lights

Dear Mr. Zamani:

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

THOMAS BUILT BUSES/MINOTOUR/2015

Mfr's Report Date: September 22, 2014

NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V-590

Components:

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM:FUSES AND CIRCUIT BREAKERS
EXTERIOR LIGHTING

Potential Number of Units Affected: 4

Problem Description:

Daimler Trucks North America LLC (DTNA) is recalling certain model year 2015 Minotour school buses manufactured August 1, 2013, to June 4, 2014. In the affected vehicles, if the hazard and brake lights are used simultaneously, the circuit may be overloaded and cause the fuse to blow.

Consequence:

If the fuse blows, the hazard lights and brake lights will cease to function, increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

DTNA has notified owners, and dealers have replaced the fuses with fuses of a higher amperage, free of charge. The recall began in September 2014. Owners may contact DTNA customer service at 1-800-745-8000. DTNA's number for this recall is FL-666.

Notes:

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.safercar.gov.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall 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 Sarah Mcshane who may be reached by phone at 202-366-7401, or by email at sarah.mcshane@dot.gov or through the office email at rmd.odi@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Timian". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Jennifer Timian
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigations
Enforcement