

# DAIMLER

## Defect Information Report

(Section 573.6)

**FL-665**

Date of Submission: *September 2, 2014*

Manufacturer: Daimler Trucks North America LLC  
P.O. BOX 3849  
Portland, Oregon 97208

Type of Report:  Safety Defect  Non-Compliance

### Vehicle Information

Model Yr. Start: *2014* Model Yr. End: *2015*

Make: *Western Star*

Model: *4900*

Production Dates: Begin: *06/24/2013*  
End: *04/30/2014*

Type: Do not use this field

Body Style: Do not use this field

Powertrain: Do not use this field

### Descriptive Information:

*Western Star Vehicles without ABS brake systems not meeting the exceptions in FMVSS 121*

### VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range

Do not use this field

Number potentially involved: *3* Estimated percentage of involve with defect: *100%*

### Defect / Noncompliance Description

For this Defect/Noncompliance:

Describe the defect or noncompliance:

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*Certain Western Star vehicles were inadvertently built without ABS brake systems due to a compatibility documentation issue.*

**If a noncompliance, provide the applicable FMVSS:**

*FMVSS 121 (-select-)*

**Describe the cause:**

Do not use this field

**Check if this recall only affects products in certain geographic regions.**

**Describe the safety risk:**

*Vehicles do not meet the ABS brake system requirement in FMVSS 121*

**Identify any warning which can precede or occur:**

Do not use this field

**If applicable, identify the manufacture of the defective or noncompliant component.**

*enter component manufacture information if applicable*

## **Chronology of Defect / Noncompliance Determination**

**Provide the chronology of events leading up to the defect decision or test data for the noncompliance decision.:**

*In mid August 2014 the Western Star Manufacturing plant questioned the brake configuration of a vehicle being built. DTNA Engineering determined that the vehicle should be equipped with an ABS brake system. DTNA immediately began an investigation to determine why the vehicle did not have an ABS brake system and to determine if any other vehicles that should have ABS brake systems were built without them. At the end of August 2014 DTNA decided to conduct a voluntary safety recall on certain Western Star vehicles without ABS brake systems.*

## **Identify the Remedy**

**Describe the defect/noncompliance remedy program, including the manufacture's plan for reimbursement.**

*The affected vehicles will have ABS brake systems installed. Repairs will be performed by Daimler Trucks North America authorized service facilities. Copies of the reimbursement plan will be submitted as a supplemental report when available*

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**Describe what distinguishes the remedy component from the recalled component.**

Do not use this field

**Identify and describe how and when the recall condition was corrected in production.**

Do not use this field

## Identify the Recall Schedule

**Describe the recall schedule for notifications.:**

*Customer notification will be by first class mail using Daimler Trucks North America records to determine the customers affected.*

**Planned Dealer Notification Begin Date:** 10/28/2014

**Planned Dealer Notification End Date:** 10/28/2014

**Planned Owner Notification Begin Date:** 10/28/2014

**Planned Owner Notification End Date:** 10/28/2014

**Manufacture's identification code for this recall (if applicable):** FL-665

## Manufactures Comments to NHTSA Staff

*Actual production start date is 06/24/2013, system would not accept 06/24/2013 through 04/30/2014 as a valid date range.*

**DTNA Representative;**



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