

Part 573 Safety Recall Report**15V-565****Manufacturer Name :** Daimler Trucks North America LLC**Submission Date :** OCT 02,2015**NHTSA Recall No. :** 15V-565**Manufacturer Recall No. :** FL-686**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : Daimler Trucks North America LLC

Address : 4747 N. Channel Avenue

Portland OR 97217-3849

Company phone : 800-745-8000

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 4,334

Estimated percentage with defect : 7

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle : 2006-2015 Thomas Built Buses FS-65 School Bus, Saf-T-Liner C2 School Bus, Saf-T-Liner HDX School Bus, Saf-T-Liner EF School Bus, Saf-T-Liner EFX School Bus, Minotour DRW School Bus

Vehicle Type :

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Thomas Built Buses equipped with certain Ricon S Series lifts built within the suspect population date range. Please see DTNA's previous recall 14V-477.

Production Dates : JAN 03, 2006 - AUG 01, 2014

VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range

Begin : NR

End : NR

☐ Not sequential VINs**Description of Defect :**

Description of the Defect : Please see Ricon Defect Information Report for 15E-068 supplied to DTNA by Ricon on 8/20/2015 which states "The holes in the folding link arms (PN 30863) have been manufactured oversized periodically."

FMVSS 1 :NR

FMVSS 2 :NR

Description of the Safety Risk : Please see Ricon Defect Information Report for 15E-068 supplied to DTNA by Ricon on 8/20/2015 which states "With the holes in the link arms in an oversized condition and left unchecked the bearings can move out of position. This in turn allows a substantial amount of free play in a stowed platform. This free play allows for an increased load being applied to the platform mounting and can cause it to fail."

Description of the Cause : NR

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : NR

Supplier Identification :**Component Manufacturer**

Name : Ricon Corporation

Address : 1135 Aviation Place

San Fernando CALIFORNIA 91340

Country : United States

Chronology :

March 2015 First Student in Baltimore, MD reports three failures that occurred after previous recall. See DTNA recall # FL663. Ricon initiates an investigation with updates on progress to DTNA.

August 2015 Ricon informs DTNA of its 573 filing.

September 2015 DTNA decided to initiate a voluntary safety recall

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : Please see Ricon Defect Information Report Amendment 1 for 15E-068 which states "The remedy program is to inspect the link arms for damaged or if the bearings have moved out of position for any reason. Also, inspect the platform for any signs of cracking or failure. If damage to the link arm or the platform exists, replacement link arms and/or platform will be supplied at no cost."

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : NR

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : NR

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : Customer notification will be by first class mail using Daimler Trucks North America records to determine the customers affected

Planned Dealer Notification Date : NOV 02, 2015 - NOV 02, 2015

Planned Owner Notification Date : NOV 02, 2015 - NOV 02, 2015

* NR - Not Reported