

**ATTENTION: Dealer Principal, Warranty Manager, Service Manager, Parts Manager**

Freightliner Dealers – U.S. and Canada

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If you have questions about this Letter, please submit your inquiry on the Web using the [WSC Link](#) on [DTNACconnect](#)

**SUBJECT: FL714 – Interim Recall Notice**

This letter is to inform you that an Interim Recall Notice is being sent to affected customers for upcoming recall *FL714 ~ Takata Passenger Side Airbags*. The interim notices will be mailed by July 29, 2016. Copies follow for your reference.

**This notice is for your information only. There is no action for customers or dealers to take at this time.** If customers inquire, please let them know the recall will begin when all preparations are complete.

If you have questions or need further information, contact the Warranty Campaigns Department by submitting an inquiry through [www.AccessFreightliner.com](http://www.AccessFreightliner.com) / Support / My Tickets and Submit an Inquiry from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Pacific Time, Monday through Friday.

*The information contained in this letter supercedes and supplements any related policies and procedures in any previously released bulletins, the Warranty Manual, and/or previously released letters. Failure to read or distribute this letter will not exempt addressees from compliance with the information contained herein.*

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July 2016  
FL714  
Interim Recall Notice  
NHTSA #16V-418

## IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL This notice applies to your vehicle(s)

### Subject: Takata Passenger Side Airbags

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 (DTNA) has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists on specific model year 2008-2009 Sterling Bullet vehicles built with Takata passenger side air bags manufactured October 15, 2007, through November 10, 2008.

The passenger airbag inflator housing may rupture, due to excessive internal pressure, during normal airbag deployment events. (This condition is more likely to occur if a vehicle has been exposed to high levels of absolute humidity for extended periods.) An inflator rupture, during airbag deployment events, could result in metal fragments striking vehicle occupants, potentially resulting in serious injury or death.

Affected airbag inflators will be replaced.

This is the first of two notices you will receive regarding this subject. This letter is to inform you of an upcoming Recall to correct the issue noted above. Replacement parts are not yet available. A second notice will inform you when parts are available. **When you receive the second notice**, contact your authorized Daimler Trucks North America dealer to schedule the Recall for your vehicle.

If you do not own the vehicle that corresponds to the identification number(s), which appears on the Recall Notification, please return the notification to the Warranty Campaigns Department with any information you can furnish that will assist us in locating the present owner. If you are the lessor of this vehicle, please forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days to comply with federal regulations.

If you have questions or need further information, 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.War.Campaigns@Daimler.com, or the Customer Assistance Center at (800) 385-4357, after normal business hours. 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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**July 2015**  
**FL714**  
**Interim Recall Notice**  
**Transport Canada #16-284**

## **Subject: Takata Driver Side Airbags**

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the Canadian Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Daimler Trucks North America LLC (DTNA) has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists on specific model year 2008-2009 Sterling Bullet vehicles built with Takata (frontal) passenger side air bags manufactured October 15, 2007, through November 10, 2008.

The passenger airbag inflator housing may rupture, due to excessive internal pressure, during normal airbag deployment events. (This condition is more likely to occur if a vehicle has been exposed to high levels of absolute humidity for extended periods.) An inflator rupture, during airbag deployment events, could result in metal fragments striking vehicle occupants, potentially resulting in serious injury or death.

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**Juillet 2015**  
**FL714**  
**Avis de rappel intérimaire**  
**Transport Canada n° 16-284**

## **Objet : Coussins de sécurité gonflables Takata côté conducteur**

Cet avis vous a été envoyé conformément à la Loi sur la sécurité automobile du Canada.

Daimler Trucks North America LLC (DTNA) a déterminé qu'une défectuosité liée à la sécurité des véhicules à moteur existe sur les véhicules Sterling Bullet des années-modèles 2008 et 2009 équipés de coussins de sécurité gonflables Takata côté passager (frontal), construits entre le 15 octobre 2007 et le 10 novembre 2008.

Lors du déploiement normal du coussin de sécurité gonflable côté passager, le logement du gonfleur côté conducteur peut se briser, en raison d'une pression interne excessive. (Cette situation est plus susceptible de se produire si le véhicule a été exposé à des niveaux élevés d'humidité pendant des périodes prolongées). Une rupture du gonfleur pendant le déploiement du sac gonflable pourrait projeter des fragments de métal et atteindre les occupants du véhicule, ce qui pourrait entraîner des blessures graves voire mortelles.

Les gonfleurs défectueux seront remplacés.

Ceci est le premier de deux avis que vous recevrez à ce sujet. Le but de cette lettre est de vous informer d'un rappel à venir pour corriger le problème mentionné ci-dessus. Les pièces de rechange ne sont pas encore disponibles. Un deuxième avis vous informera lorsque les pièces sont disponibles. **Lorsque vous recevrez le deuxième avis**, veuillez contacter votre concessionnaire Daimler Trucks North America autorisé pour programmer le rappel pour votre véhicule.

Si vous ne possédez pas de véhicule qui correspond au(x) numéro(s) d'identification apparaissant sur l'Avis de rappel, veuillez retourner l'avis au Service des campagnes de garanties avec tous les renseignements dont vous disposez qui pourraient nous aider à identifier le propriétaire actuel.

Si vous avez des questions ou avez besoin de plus de renseignements, vous pouvez appeler le Service des campagnes de garantie au 1-800-547-0712 entre 7 h et 16 h, heure du Pacifique, du lundi au vendredi, envoyer un courriel à [DTNA.War.Campaigns@Daimler.com](mailto:DTNA.War.Campaigns@Daimler.com) ou téléphoner au Centre d'assistance à la clientèle au 1-800-FTL-HELP en dehors des heures normales de bureau.

Nous sommes désolés pour tout inconvénient pouvant résulter de cette activité, mais nous sommes certains que vous comprenez notre intérêt dans la sécurité des véhicules motorisés.

SERVICE DES CAMPAGNES DE GARANTIE  
Pièce jointe