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

Describe the safety risk:

Failure of the rubber elbow may lead to a coolant leak inside the bus body increasing risk of injury to the passengers.

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

N/A

Chronology of Defect / Noncompliance Determination

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

At the end of January 2016, Thomas Buses received a report from a dealership describing failure of a rubber elbow on a coolant line connected to a heater inside of the bus. January 2016 through May 2016 Thomas Built Buses conducted an investigation to determine the scope and potential consequences of the issue, and discovered that an incorrect fitting may have been installed on the production line. On May 12, 2016 DTNA decided to conduct a voluntary recall on Certain Thomas Built Buses vehicles.

Identify the Remedy

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

Buses built with the rubber elbow will have them replaced with a glass-filled nylon fitting. 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.

Identify the Recall Schedule

Describe the recall schedule for notifications.:

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

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Planned Dealer Notification Begin Date: 07/10/2016

Planned Dealer Notification End Date: 07/10/2016

Planned Owner Notification Begin Date: 07/10/2016

Planned Owner Notification End Date: 07/10/2016

Manufacture's identification code for this recall (if applicable): FL-708

Manufactures Comments to NHTSA Staff

DTNA Representative;

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Andy Jones
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