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

December 18, 2017

Mr. Andy Jones Daimler Trucks North America LLC 4747 N. Channel Ave. Portland, OR 97217

Subject: Improperly Torqued Brake Caliper Mounting Bolts

Dear Mr. Jones:

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:

FCCC/S2C 106CAB/2018 FCCC/S2G/2018 FREIGHTLINER/108SD/2018 FREIGHTLINER/114SD/2018 FREIGHTLINER/CASCADIA/2018 FREIGHTLINER/M2 BUSINESS CLASS/2018 WESTERN STAR/4700/2018 WESTERN STAR/4900/2018 WESTERN STAR/5700/2018

Mfr's Report Date: November 27, 2017

NHTSA Campaign Number: 17V-759

**Components:** SERVICE BRAKES, AIR:DISC:CALIPER

Potential Number of Units Affected: 3,007

## **Problem Description:**

Daimler Trucks North America LLC (DTNA) is recalling certain 2018 Freightliner 108SD, 114SD, Cascadia, M2 Business Class vehicles, 2018 Western Star 4700, 4900 and 5700 vehicles, and 2018 Freightliner Custom Chassis (FCC) S2C 106 chassis and S2G Cab/Chassis vehicles. The brake caliper mounting bolts on these vehicles may not been properly tightened, potentially resulting in the caliper detaching.

## **Consequence:**

If the calipers detach, there would be reduced braking performance, increasing the risk of a crash.

## **Remedy:**

DTNA will notify owners, and dealers will inspect the bolts, replacing them as needed, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin January 25, 2018. Owners may contact DTNA customer service at 1-800-547-0712. DTNA's number for this recall is FL-758.



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## 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.

We have received DTNA's proposed owner notification letter and have approved it for distribution.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), 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).

Please be reminded that under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a)(3), it is illegal for a manufacturer, to sell, offer for sale, import, or introduce or deliver into interstate commerce, a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment that contains a safety defect once the manufacturer has notified NHTSA about that safety defect. This prohibition does not apply once the motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment has been remedied according to the manufacturer's instructions.

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 Kelly Schuler who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-5227, or by email at kelly.schuler@dot.gov or through the office email at rmd.odi@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

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

