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IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL

This notice applies to your vehicle(s)

Subject: Steering Wheel Fasteners

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), on behalf of its Freightliner Trucks Division and wholly owned subsidiary, Western Star Truck Sales, Inc., has decided that a defect that relates to motor vehicle safety exists on specific Freightliner Cascadia vehicles and Western Star 5700 vehicles manufactured July 31, 2018, through August 2, 2018.

On certain vehicles, steering wheel splines may not be correctly aligned, preventing full depth installation on the steering column and cross threading of the screw. This could cause the steering wheel to separate from the steering column, resulting in a loss of steering control, which could increase the risk of a crash.

Steering wheels and fasteners will be inspected and replaced as needed.

You may choose to have the vehicle towed to an authorized Daimler Trucks dealer to the recall performed. The cost of a tow will be covered by the recall. To locate an authorized dealer, search online at www.Daimler-TrucksNorthAmerica.com. On the menu tab, select "Contact," scroll down to "Find a Dealer," and select the appropriate brand. The Recall will take up to one hour, depending on the work needed, and will be performed at no charge to you.

You may be liable for any progressive damage that results from your failure to complete the Recall within a reasonable time after receiving notification.

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 have leased this vehicle, Federal law requires that you forward this notice to the lessee within 10 days. If you are a subsequent stage manufacturer, Federal law requires that you forward this notice to your distributors and retail outlets within five working days. If you have paid to have this recall condition corrected prior to this notice, you may be eligible to receive reimbursement. Please see the reverse side of this notice for details.

If you have questions about this Recall, 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.Warranty.Campaigns@ Daimler.com, or the Customer Assistance Center at (800) 385-4357 after normal business hours. If you are not able to have the defect remedied without charge and within a reasonable time, you may wish to submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1220 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.

Enclosure