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Interim Recall Notice  
NHTSA #18V-351

## IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL

See enclosed VIN list.

### Subject: Lowmax Brake Hoses

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, on behalf of its wholly owned subsidiary, Western Star Truck Sales, Inc. has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists on specific Western Star 4900 model vehicles manufactured February 23, 2011, through June 5, 2018.

On certain vehicles, the clearance between the hood and the front brake hose may not be adequate. Articulation of the suspension and relative movement of the hood could lead to chafing of the front brake hose resulting in a possible air leak. A damaged brake hose may lead to a reduced brake effectiveness, increasing the risk of a crash.

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. Daimler Trucks is currently validating the repair and securing replacement parts. There is no action for you to take at this time.

The second notice will inform you when the final remedy is available. **When you receive the second notice**, please 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 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 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](mailto:DTNA.Warranty.Campaigns@Daimler.com), or the Customer Assistance Center at (800) FTL-HELP 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, 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.

WARRANTY CAMPAIGNS DEPARTMENT  
Enclosure