

If a noncompliance, provide the applicable FMVSS:

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

Describe the safety risk:

Syntec reported: "A seat with a wall mount bracket severely cracked or fractured does not meet the requirements of S5.1.3 of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) 222 and may increase the risk of injury to the occupants in a crash." Reference Syntec NHTSA Recall 18E-015.

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

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Chronology of Defect / Noncompliance Determination**Provide the chronology of events leading up to the defect decision or test data for the noncompliance decision.:**

In June 2017 DTNA received reports from 2 customers related to cracked seat wall mount brackets. DTNA began an investigation to determine the scope and consequences of the issue. In August of 2017 DTNA coordinated its efforts with Syntec. DTNA and Syntec conducted extensive physical testing, FEA, and data analysis. In March 2018 Syntec decided to conduct a voluntary safety recall on certain S3B non-restraint seats. In March 2018 DTNA decided to conduct a voluntary safety recall on Thomas Built Buses equipped with suspect Syntec S3B non-restraint seats.

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

An additional wall bracket will be installed between the wall rail and the seat on each suspect seat. 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.

Planned Dealer Notification Begin Date:	<i>5/21/2018</i>
Planned Dealer Notification End Date:	<i>5/21/2018</i>
Planned Owner Notification Begin Date:	<i>5/21/2018</i>
Planned Owner Notification End Date:	<i>5/21/2018</i>

Manufacture's identification code for this recall (if applicable): *FL-763*

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