



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

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Mr. Andy Jones
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NEF-150MR
19V-370

Subject: Insufficient Air Reservoir Volume/FMVSS 121

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:

FREIGHTLINER/108SD/2013-2018
FREIGHTLINER/114SD/2014-2019
FREIGHTLINER/122SD/2014
FREIGHTLINER/CASCADIA/2013-2019
FREIGHTLINER/CLASSIC XL/2010
FREIGHTLINER/COLUMBIA/2005-2009
FREIGHTLINER/FL80 BUSINESS CLASS/2004-2005
FREIGHTLINER/FLD/2010
FREIGHTLINER/M2/2005-2017
FREIGHTLINER/M2 BUSINESS CLASS/2018-2019
STERLING/ACTERRA/2005-2007
STERLING/L7500/2007
STERLING/L8500/2006-2007
STERLING/L9500/2004-2006
STERLING/LT7500/2007
STERLING/LT8500/2007
STERLING/LT9500/2005-2008
WESTERN STAR/4700/2014-2015
WESTERN STAR/4900/2015
WESTERN STAR/6900/2006

Mfr's Report Date: May 14, 2019

NHTSA Campaign Number: 19V-370

Components:

SERVICE BRAKES, AIR:SUPPLY:RESERVOIR

Potential Number of Units Affected: 741

Problem Description:

Daimler Trucks North America LLC (DTNA) is recalling certain 2004-2019 Freightliner 108SD, 114SD, 122SD, Cascadia, Columbia, Classic, FL80, FLD 120SD, Business Class M2, Western Star 4700, 4900, 6900, Sterling Acterra, L7500, LT7500, L8500, LT8500, L9500, and LT9500 vehicles. The vehicles may have an insufficient service brake air reservoir capacity. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) number 121, "Air Brake Systems."

Consequence:

An insufficient air reservoir volume may reduce brake effectiveness, increasing the risk of crash.

Remedy:

DTNA will notify owners, and dealers will add air reservoir capacity to the affected vehicles. The recall is expected to begin July 12, 2019. Owners may contact DTNA customer service at 1-800-547-0712. DTNA's number for this recall is FL-815.

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.

Under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a), it is illegal for anyone, including a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or retailer to sell an item of equipment or vehicle that fails to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

The model years listed in the 573 filing does not match the actual years that the affected vehicles were produced, based on a spreadsheet that we were provided separately. In the future, in recalls like this, please provide a spreadsheet with the proper information as a separate document and reference it in the 573 submission.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, 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).

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 Michelle Rice who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-1060, or by email at michelle.rice@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



Joshua Neff
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Office of Defects Investigations
Enforcement