

U.S. Department of Transportation

# National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

November 27, 2019

Mr. Andy Jones Daimler Trucks North America LLC 4747 N. Channel Ave. Portland, OR 97217 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

NEF-150MR 19V-803

**Subject:** Brake Chambers Contacting the Frame Rail

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/CASCADIA/2020

**Mfr's Report Date:** November 7, 2019

NHTSA Campaign Number: 19V-803

### **Components:**

SERVICE BRAKES, AIR:DISC:CHAMBER

Potential Number of Units Affected: 4

## **Problem Description:**

Daimler Trucks North America LLC (DTNA) is recalling certain 2020 Freightliner Cascadia vehicles. Due to inadequate clearance between the brake chambers and the frame rail, the brake chambers can contact the frame rail and cause brake chamber to detach or be damaged.

## **Consequence:**

A detached brake chamber can cause reduced brake effectiveness, increasing the risk of a crash.

## Remedy:

DTNA reports that all affected vehicles have been remedied, therefore owner notifications will not be sent. The recall began on November 7, 2019. Owners may contact DTNA customer service at 1-800-547-0712. DTNA's number for this recall is FL-837.

#### **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.



NHTSA is missing critical, required information for this safety recall. This information must be supplied through the NHTSA Recalls Portal within 5 working days of confirming its accuracy:

- A statement that the defect or noncompliance can cause a vehicle crash without prior warning; or a description of whatever prior warning may occur, and a statement that if this warning is not heeded, a vehicle crash can occur (49 CFR 577.5 (f)(1)).

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall 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 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

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigations

Enforcement

