

Defect Information Report

(Section 573.6)

FL-814

Date of Submission: **May, 14th, 2019**

Manufacturer: Daimler Trucks North America LLC
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Type of Report: Safety Defect Non-Compliance

Vehicle Information

Model Yr. Start: 2012 Model Yr. End: 2019
Make: *Freightliner Custom Chassis Corporation*
Model: *MT45 & MT55 Chassis*
Production Dates: Begin: 01/12/2011 End: 01/03/2019

Descriptive Information:

MT45 and MT55 Chassis equipped with certain hydraulic brakes and brake switch configuration built within the above referenced dates.

Number potentially involved: 9702 Estimated percentage of involve with defect: 12%

Defect / Noncompliance Description

For this Defect/Noncompliance:

Describe the defect or noncompliance:

Brake pedal clevis pin clip may rub or bend on the throttle pedal mounting hardware. There is a potential the pin clip may become detached.

Describe the safety risk:

If the clip is detached and the clevis pin slides out of position, there will initially be loss of brake lights. If the pin continues to slide out further, the pedal may become detached. The detached pedal is still located such that activation of the brake may be possible, but it is expected that such activation may require increased pedal pressure. Loss of brake lights may increase the risk of a crash, if following vehicles are unaware the vehicle is slowing or stopping, and an increase in required pressure for brake activation may cause driver confusion and could also increase the risk of a crash.

Chronology of Defect / Noncompliance Determination

Provide the chronology of events leading up to the defect decision or test data for the noncompliance decision.:

In March 2019, Freightliner Custom Chassis Corporation (FCCC) received a report of an incident reportedly involving a vehicle not having service brakes, because the clevis pin on the brake pedal may have slid out of position. March to April 2019, FCCC inspected the customer's fleet to confirm the issue. DTNA's review identified multiple vehicles with damaged clevis pin clips in the customer's fleet. On May 8th, 2019 DTNA decided to conduct a voluntary safety recall after careful consideration of the possible impacts of the issue.

Identify the Remedy

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

Potentially affected vehicles will be inspected and repaired as necessary. 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>07/12/2019</i>
Planned Dealer Notification End Date:	<i>07/12/2019</i>
Planned Owner Notification Begin Date:	<i>07/12/2019</i>
Planned Owner Notification End Date:	<i>07/12/2019</i>

Manufacture's identification code for this recall (if applicable): *FL-814*

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