Defect Information Report

(Section 573.6)

FL-825

Date of Submission: August 22, 2019

Manufacturer:

Daimler Trucks North America LLC

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Portland, Oregon 97208

Type of Report:

Safety Defect

X Non-Compliance

Vehicle Information

Model Yr. Start:

2019

Model Yr. End: 2020

Make: Thomas Built Buses

Model: Minotour

Production Dates:

Begin: 08/17/2018

End: 03/31/2019

Descriptive Information:

Certain school buses within the referenced above dates may have missing backup cameras.

Number potentially involved: 11

Estimated percentage of involve with defect: 100%

Defect / Noncompliance Description

For this Defect/Noncompliance:

Describe the defect or noncompliance:

A display of rearview image per FMVSS 111 was not provided on select vehicles.

If a noncompliance, provide the applicable FMVSS:

FMVSS 111

Describe the safety risk:

Lack of rear visibility on certain vehicles as required by FMVSS111 can increase the risk of a backover crash, particularly those involving vulnerable populations.

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

NA – component missing due to specification error.

Chronology of Defect / Noncompliance Determination

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

July 18, 2019 DTNA became aware that certain vehicles in the field may not have been equipped with a backup camera. DTNA began an investigation to identify the root cause for this omission and to review the FMVSS requirements. August 16, 2019, DTNA, with an abundance caution decided to conduct a compliance recall.

Identify the Remedy

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

Vehicles will be repaired by adding a backup camera system. 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:

10/20/2019

Planned Dealer Notification End Date:

10/20/2019

Planned Owner Notification Begin Date:

10/20/2019

Planned Owner Notification End Date:

10/20/2019

Manufacture's identification code for this recall (if applicable): FL-825

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