



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

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NEF-107MR  
21V-00H

**Subject:** Damaged Circuit Board Affects Lighting Functions

Dear Ms. Torgeson:

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:**

FCCC/XBP/2018  
FCCC/XBR/2017-2020  
FCCC/XBS/2017-2022  
FCCC/XCL/2016-2019  
FCCC/XCM/2016-2023  
FCCC/XCP/2017-2021  
FCCC/XCR/2016-2023  
FCCC/XCS/2017-2023

**Mfr's Report Date:** December 23, 2021

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 21V-00H

**Components:**

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM  
EXTERIOR LIGHTING: BRAKE LIGHTS  
EXTERIOR LIGHTING: TURN SIGNAL

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 25,734

**Problem Description:**

Daimler Trucks North America LLC (DTNA) is recalling certain 2018 Freightliner Custom Chassis XBP, 2017-2020 XBR, 2017-2022 XBS, 2016-2019 XCL, 2016-2023 XCM, 2017-2021 XCP, 2016-2023 XCR, and 2017-2023 XCS recreational vehicle chassis. The rear mounted Power Distribution Module (PDM) may have internal damage, which could result in the rear marker lights, brake lights, or turn signals not functioning.

**Consequence:**

Non-functioning brake lights, rear markers, or turn signals can reduce vehicle visibility to other drivers, increasing the risk of a crash.

**Remedy:**

The remedy is currently under development. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed February 20, 2022. Owners may contact DTNA customer service at 1-800-547-0712. DTNA's number for this recall is FL917. This recall is an expansion of NHTSA recalls 20V-404 and 18V-502. Vehicles previously recalled will need to receive the new remedy repair once it is available.

**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.nhtsa.gov](http://www.nhtsa.gov).

**Please ensure the following requirements are met:**

A description of the manufacturer's program for remedying the defect or noncompliance (49 CFR 573.6 (c)(8)(i)).

**AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.**

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).

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 eight 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.

Daimler Trucks North America, LLC's contact for this recall will be Michelle Rice who may be reached by email at [michelle.rice@dot.gov](mailto:michelle.rice@dot.gov). We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



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Office of Defects Investigation  
Enforcement