

U.S. Department of Transportation

# National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

June 1, 2022

Ms. Tiffani Torgeson Manager Compliance and Regulatory Affairs Daimler Trucks North America, LLC 4747 N Channel Ave Portland, OR 97217

Subject: Double Check Valve May Trap Air and Impair Braking

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:

FREIGHTLINER/CASCADIA/2022

Mfr's Report Date: May 25, 2022

NHTSA Campaign Number: 22V-374

### **Components:**

SERVICE BRAKES, AIR:SUPPLY:CHECK VALVE

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 4

## **Problem Description:**

Daimler Trucks North America LLC (DTNA) is recalling certain 2022 Freightliner Cascadia vehicles. The double check valve may trap air which can impair service brake function and lock the rear axle while the vehicle is in motion. A locked rear axle may cause brake components to fail or increased stopping distance.

### **Consequence:**

Brake component failure and increased stopping distance may increase the risk of a crash.

### Remedy:

Dealers will remove the double check valve, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed July 23, 2022. Owners may contact DTNA customer service at 1-800-547-2712. DTNA's number for this recall is FL-936.

#### 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.



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## Please ensure the following requirements are met:

Per the requirements of 573.6(c)(2)(iv), please provide the supplier name, contact information, address and country of origin (if known) for the double check valve. If your company manufactured the component itself, then please state so in 573.

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 Emily C. Smith who may be reached by email at emily.c.smith@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Alex Ansley

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigation

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