#### OMB Control No.: 2127-0004

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# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

## 22V-510

**Manufacturer Name:** Daimler Trucks North America, LLC

Submission Date: NOV 07, 2023 NHTSA Recall No.: 22V-510 Manufacturer Recall No.: FL946



#### **Manufacturer Information:**

Manufacturer Name: Daimler Trucks North America, LLC

Address: 4747 N. Channel Avenue

Portland OR 97217-3849

Company phone: 800-745-8000

## **Population:**

Number of potentially involved: 1,806 Estimated percentage with defect: 4 %

#### **Vehicle Information:**

Vehicle 1: 2014-2022 Thomas Built Buses SAF -T-IINER EFX

Vehicle Type: BUSES, MEDIUM & HEAVY VEHICLES

Body Style : OTHER Power Train : DIESEL

Descriptive Information: The subject population includes approximately 1,806 Model Year 2014-2023 Thomas

Built Bus ("TBB") HDX and EFX school bus vehicles produced within the above-

specified production date range in the United States. Under certain extreme operating conditions, that may include adverse road conditions, a metal fatigue-related cracking may develop on 39 inch S3C seat frames with a 3-point flex belt seat rear wall mount bracket. Over time, if the condition manifests itself, the crack may propagate and lead

to fracturing of the wall mount bracket.

Production Dates: MAY 21, 2013 - AUG 23, 2021

VIN Range 1 : Begin : NR End : NR

Vehicle 2: 2014-2023 Thomas Built Buses SAF -T-IINER HDX

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to fracturing of the wall mount bracket.

Production Dates: FEB 07, 2013 - OCT 22, 2021

### **Description of Defect:**

Description of the Defect: The subject vehicles are equipped with specific passenger seats that may

experience abnormal structural fatigue that may impact seat strength during a

crash. Root cause has not yet been determined.

FMVSS 1: NR FMVSS 2: NR

Description of the Safety Risk: Fatigue of the seats frame structure could result in frame cracking, thus

causing the seat to shift and rotate. The seat may therefore not provide adequate restraint to a belted passenger, which may increase the risk of

injury to vehicle occupants in a crash.

Description of the Cause: NR

Identification of Any Warning A fractured seat frame mounting bracket may be noticed during daily walk

that can Occur: through, cleaning, bus inspections and routine maintenance.

#### **Involved Components:**

Component Name 1: Passenger Seat Frame

**Component Description: Seat Lower Frame** 

Component Part Number: 30628

Component Name 2: Passenger Seat Frame

**Component Description: Seat Lower Frame** 

Component Part Number: 30630

#### **Supplier Identification:**

## **Component Manufacturer**

Name: DAIMLER TRUCK NORTH AMERICA

Address: 4555

NORTH CHANNEL AVENUE Portland Oregon 97217

**Country: United States** 

## **Chronology:**

Refer attached chronology.

### **Description of Remedy:**

Description of Remedy Program: A Daimler Truck North America authorized service facility will add

reinforcement brackets to the existing seat frames to ensure the seats have

sufficient strength in the event of a crash. The Recall will take

approximately 15 minutes per seat and will be performed free of charge.

How Remedy Component Differs NR

from Recalled Component:

Identify How/When Recall Condition NR

was Corrected in Production:

#### **Recall Schedule:**

Description of Recall Schedule: Customer notification will be made by first class mail using Daimler

Trucks North America records to determine the customers affected.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : DEC 04, 2023 - DEC 04, 2023 Planned Owner Notification Date : DEC 04, 2023 - DEC 04, 2023

\* NR - Not Reported