

ATTENTION: Dealer Principal, Warranty Manager, Service Manager, Parts Manager
Freightliner Dealers – U.S. and Canada
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Daimler Truck North America LLC

WARRANTY CAMPAIGNS DEPARTMENT

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If you have questions about this Letter, please submit your inquiry on the Web using the [WSC Link on DTNAConnect](#)

SUBJECT: FL979 – Interim Recall Notice

This letter is to inform you that an interim recall notice is being sent to affected customers for recall *FL979~ Freightliner eCascadia e-Axle Ring Gear*. The interim notice was mailed on 08/31/2023. A copy follows for your reference.

This notice is for your information only. There is no action for customers or dealers to take. If customers inquire, please refer them to the interim notice.

If you have questions or need further information, contact the Warranty Campaigns Department by submitting an inquiry through the WSC Link on DTNAPortal.

REF #: ICI23-035

En vigueur: 06/09/2023

Date de sortie: 06/09/2023

OBJET: FL979 – Avis de Rappel Provisoire

Cette lettre a pour but de vous informer qu'un avis de rappel provisoire est envoyé aux clients concernés pour le rappel FL979~ Engrenage à anneau d'essieu électronique Freightliner eCascadia. Le préavis intérimaire a été posté le 31/08/2023. Une copie suit pour votre référence.

Cet avis est pour votre information seulement. Les clients ou les revendeurs n'ont aucune action à entreprendre. Si les clients demandent, veuillez les renvoyer à l'avis provisoire.

Si vous avez des questions ou avez besoin de plus amples informations, contactez le service des campagnes de garantie en soumettant une demande via le lien WSC sur DTNAPortal.

The information contained in this letter supercedes and supplements any related policies and procedures in any previously released bulletins, the Warranty Manual, and/or previously released letters. Failure to read or distribute this letter will not exempt addressees from compliance with the information contained herein.

IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL

This notice applies to your vehicle(s), see enclosed VIN list.

**August 2023
FL979
NHTSA #23V467
Interim Notice**

Subject: Freightliner eCascadia e-Axle Ring Gear

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the *National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act*.

Daimler Truck North America LLC (DTNA), on behalf of its Freightliner Trucks Division, has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in certain 2023-2024 Freightliner eCascadia vehicles manufactured between January 19, 2023, through April 13, 2023.

On the affected vehicles, the e-axle planetary gear set(s) may not be welded properly, which can cause the e-motor to detach from the final drive. This may result in an undetectable, sudden loss of drive power without the ability to restart the vehicle, which can increase the risk of a crash.

This is the first of two notices you will receive regarding this subject. This letter is to inform you of an upcoming Recall to correct the issue noted above. Daimler Truck is currently validating the final repair and securing replacement parts. **There is no action for you to take at this time.**

A second notice will inform you when the final, **free remedy** is available. **When you receive the second notice**, please contact your authorized Daimler Truck North America dealer to schedule the repair for your vehicle.

If you do not own the vehicle that corresponds to the identification number(s) which appears on the Recall Notification, please return the notification to the Warranty Campaigns Department with any information you can furnish that will assist us in locating the present owner. If you have leased this vehicle, Federal law requires that you forward this notice to the lessee within 10 days. If you are a subsequent stage manufacturer, Federal law requires that you forward this notice to your distributors and retail outlets within five working days.

If you have questions about this Recall, please contact the Warranty Campaigns Department at (800) 547-0712, 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Pacific Time, Monday through Friday, e-mail address DTNA.Warranty.Campaigns@Daimlertruck.com. For other concerns, you may contact the Customer Assistance Center at (800) 385-4357. If your manufacturer, distributor, or dealer fails to remedy the defect or noncompliance without charge and within a reasonable time, you may wish to submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590; or call the Vehicle Safety Hotline at (888) 327-4236 (TTY: 800-424-9153); or go to <http://www.nhtsa.gov>.

We regret any inconvenience this action may cause but feel certain you understand our interest in motor vehicle safety.

WARRANTY CAMPAIGNS DEPARTMENT
Enclosure

IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL

This notice applies to your vehicle(s), see enclosed VIN list.

August 2023

FL979

Transport Canada # 2023-372

Interim Notice

Subject: Freightliner eCascadia e-Axle Ring Gear

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the *Motor Vehicle Safety Act*. This is to inform you that your vehicle may contain a defect that could affect the safety of a person.

Daimler Truck North America LLC (DTNA), on behalf of its Freightliner Trucks Division, has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in certain 2024 Freightliner eCascadia vehicles manufactured between January 31, 2023, through April 12, 2023.

On the affected vehicles, the e-axle planetary gear set(s) may not be welded properly, which can cause the e-motor to detach from the final drive. This may result in an undetectable, sudden loss of drive power without the ability to restart the vehicle, which can increase the risk of a crash.

This is the first of two notices you will receive regarding this subject. This letter is to inform you of an upcoming Recall to correct the issue noted above. Daimler Truck is currently validating the final repair and securing replacement parts. **There is no action for you to take at this time.**

A second notice will inform you when the final, **free remedy** is available. **When you receive the second notice**, please contact your authorized Daimler Truck North America dealer to schedule the repair for your vehicle.

If you do not own the vehicle that corresponds to the identification number(s) which appears on the Recall Notification, please return the notification to the Warranty Campaigns Department with any information you can furnish that will assist us in locating the present owner. If you have leased this vehicle, Federal law requires that you forward this notice to the lessee within 10 days. If you are a subsequent stage manufacturer, Federal law requires that you forward this notice to your distributors and retail outlets within five working days.

If you have questions about this Recall, please contact the Warranty Campaigns Department at (800) 547-0712, 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Pacific Time, Monday through Friday, e-mail address

DTNA.Warranty.Campaigns@Daimlertruck.com. For other concerns, you may contact the Customer Assistance Center at (800) 385-4357. If you have a safety concern relating to this Recall, you may wish to contact Transport Canada – Motor Vehicle Safety at, 80 rue Noel, Gatineau, Quebec J8Z 0A1 or phone (800) 333-0510.

We regret any inconvenience this action may cause but feel certain you understand our interest in motor vehicle safety.

WARRANTY CAMPAIGNS DEPARTMENT
Enclosure

RAPPEL DE SÉCURITÉ IMPORTANT

Le présent avis s'applique à votre (vos) véhicule (s), voir la liste des NIV ci-jointe.

Août 2023

FL979

Transports Canada #2023-372

Avis provisoire

Objet: Engrenage à anneau d'essieu électronique Freightliner eCascadia

Le présent avis vous est envoyé conformément aux exigences de la *Loi sur la sécurité automobile*. La présente a pour but de vous informer que votre véhicule est susceptible d'avoir un défaut qui pourrait porter atteinte à la sécurité humaine.

Daimler Truck North America LLC (DTNA), au nom de sa division Freightliner Trucks, a décidé qu'il existe un défaut relatif à la sécurité des véhicules automobiles dans certains véhicules Freightliner e Cascadia 2024 fabriqués entre le 31 janvier 2023 et le 12 avril 2023.

Sur les véhicules touchés, il se peut que le ou les ensembles d'engrenages planétaires de l'essieu e ne soient pas soudés correctement, ce qui peut entraîner le détachement du moteur électrique de l'entraînement final. Cela peut entraîner une perte soudaine et indétectable de la puissance motrice sans pouvoir redémarrer le véhicule, ce qui peut augmenter le risque d'accident.

Il s'agit du premier de deux avis que vous recevrez à ce sujet. La présente vise à vous informer d'un rappel à venir pour corriger le problème susmentionné. Daimler Truck est en train de valider la réparation finale et de sécuriser les pièces de rechange. **Il n'y a aucune mesure à prendre pour le moment.**

Un deuxième avis vous informera de la disponibilité du **recours définitif et gratuit**. **Lorsque vous recevez le deuxième avis**, veuillez communiquer avec votre concessionnaire autorisé Daimler Truck North America pour planifier la réparation de votre véhicule.

Si vous n'êtes pas propriétaire du véhicule correspondant au(x) numéro (s) d'identification figurant sur l'avis de rappel, veuillez retourner l'avis à la garantie Campagnes Department avec tous les renseignements que vous pouvez fournir qui nous aideront à localiser le propriétaire actuel. Si vous avez loué ce véhicule, la loi fédérale exige que vous transmettiez cet avis au locataire dans les 10 jours. Si vous êtes un fabricant subséquent, la loi fédérale exige que vous transmettiez cet avis à vos distributeurs et points de vente au détail dans un délai de cinq jours ouvrables.

Si vous avez des questions au sujet de ce rappel, veuillez communiquer avec le Service des campagnes de garantie au (800) 547-0712, de 7 h à 16 h, heure du Pacifique, du lundi au vendredi, à l'adresse courriel DTNA.Warranty.Campaigns@Daimlertruck.com. Pour toute autre question, vous pouvez communiquer avec le Centre d'assistance à la clientèle au (800) 385-4357. Si vous avez des préoccupations en matière de sécurité relativement à ce rappel, vous pouvez communiquer avec Transports Canada — Sécurité des véhicules automobiles au 80, rue Noël, Gatineau (Québec) J8Z 0A1 ou téléphoner au (800) 333-0510.

Nous regrettons tout inconfort que cette mesure pourrait causer, mais nous sommes certains que vous comprenez notre intérêt pour la sécurité des véhicules automobiles.