

DAIMLER TRUCK

North America

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It was a pleasure meeting you and your colleagues in our zoom calls this past week and hope to meet you in person in the future. As discussed in the meeting, vehicles are subject to unique operations, including but not limited to extensive beverage hauling that result in high axle loads. Accordingly, DTNA would like to summarize 3 key points:

1. Based on the best information DTNA has, including all of the information and presentations provided to us by Alcoa/Howmet, DTNA believes this specific potential issue with Alcoa/Howmet wheels does not present a safety defect (e.g. potential of a cracked wheel flange involving a specific date of manufactured wheels).
2. Nonetheless, as requested, DTNA in coordination with Alcoa/Howmet will provide 106 wheels at no-charge to replace wheels to proactively replace on their trucks.
3. Alcoa/Howmet provides a 5-year warranty on their wheels, warrantied directly to Alcoa/Howmet. We have also pressed Alcoa/Howmet to ensure that your company is well aware of this coverage, and that Alcoa/Howmet effectively processes any warranty claims from your company that fall under this program.

If any credible information comes to light indicating that the severity of cracked wheel flanges is more serious than Alcoa/Howmet indicated, please bring that to our attention as soon as possible.

Again, we appreciate you and your team's engagement with DTNA, ATG and Alcoa/Howmet to bring this topic to conclusion.

If we can provide any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us at your earliest convenience.

Thank you and best regards,