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Dan Smith  
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**Re: Defect Information Report – Supplemental Report No. 05  
09V-357, FL557, Rack and Pinion Loose ITR**

Mr. Smith,

In accordance with Part 573 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Daimler Trucks North America LLC herewith submits supplemental defect information to amend the remedial program for this recall. Due to the limited availability of replacement rack and pinion steering assemblies, vehicles may be retrofitted with a conventional steering gear.

**(c)(8) Remedial program:** The left hand inner tie rod will be removed from the steering rack and will be inspected for damage. Damaged racks will be replaced with a rack and pinion system or a conventional steering gear. Undamaged racks will have the inner tie rod reinstalled with Loctite. Repairs will be performed by Daimler Trucks North America dealerships and Direct Warranty customers, i.e., customers approved by Daimler Trucks North America to do their own warranty repairs.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,



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