

# Daimler Trucks North America LLC

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~Owner Address~  
~City, State, Zip Code~

**Subject: Safety Recall Notice 11C1 – Sterling Car Hauler EPA04 MBE4000 Low Pressure Fuel Line**

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

Daimler Trucks has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain model year 2005 through 2007 Sterling L-Line vehicles configured with car hauler bodies and chassis, manufactured from September 13, 2004 through October 10, 2007 and equipped with specific MBE4000 EPA07 engines assembled with a fuel filter mounted at the rear of the engine.

Detroit Diesel Corporation has determined that some certified EPA07 MBE4000 engines were assembled with low pressure fuel lines which may develop leaks. Lower pressure fuel lines between primary fuel pump and engine mounted fuel filter, and upper low pressure fuel line between engine mounted fuel filter and engine block may develop a substantial diesel fuel leak from cracking due to undetermined causes, or from abrasion due to contact with other components. If the condition goes undetected it may result in fuel leaking on the roadway which may create a hazard increasing the risk of a motor vehicle accident.

This is the **first** of **two** letters you will receive regarding this subject. This letter is to inform you of an upcoming Recall to correct the issue noted above. At this time, replacement parts are not yet available for dealers to order. As soon as parts are available, you will receive a **second notice**. When you receive the second letter, please contact your Authorized Repair Facility to schedule the Recall for your vehicle.

You may continue to operate your vehicle in the interim, but follow the Sterling L-Line "Driver Pre-Trip Inspection" guidelines related to the inspection of fuel lines and fittings and inspect your vehicle to ensure that no other components are contacting the low pressure fuel lines. It is expected that parts will be available and the Recall notice will be sent to vehicle owners in the next two months.

However, should the low pressure fuel lines develop leaks from cracking, please contact the closest Authorized Repair Facility to have your unit inspected and repaired, if necessary. To locate an authorized facility, search online at [www.detroitdiesel.com/supportnetwork/](http://www.detroitdiesel.com/supportnetwork/).

If you do not own the unit that corresponds to the identification number(s) which appears on the Pre-Recall Notification, please return the notification 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 ten 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 paid to have this recall condition corrected prior to this notice, you may be eligible to receive reimbursement for the cost of obtaining a pre-notification remedy of the problem associated with this recall. For more information on this, contact Warranty Administration at Detroit Diesel Corporation, 13400 Outer Drive West, Detroit, MI 48239 or call (313) 592-3708.

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If you have questions about this Recall, please contact the Detroit Diesel Customer Support Center, 13400 Outer Drive West, Detroit, MI 48239, or call (313) 592-5800 between **8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Saturday Eastern Standard Time**. If you are not able to have the defect remedied without charge and within a reasonable time, which is not longer than 60 days after you tender the vehicle for repair, you may wish to submit a complaint to 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 to <http://www.safercar.gov>. In Canada, if after contacting your dealer and/or Manufacturer Customer Service you have additional questions with regard to this recall, you may contact Transport Canada - Road Safety, 80 rue Noël, Gatineau, Quebec J8Z 0A1, or call 1-800-333-0510.

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