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Nancy Lewis
Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Attention: Recall Management Division (NVS-215, Rm. W45-206)
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
Washington D.C. 20590

**Re: Defect Information Report – Supplemental Report No. 3
13V-073, FL-640, FCCC MTG45/55 Gasoline Fuel Tanks
Owner Interim Notification**

Ms. Lewis:

In accordance with Part 573 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Daimler Trucks North America LLC herewith submits supplemental defect information and copies of documents distributed to dealers and purchasers.

- (c)(3) Owners of 2,855, vehicles were notified.
- (c)(10) Copy of Communications sent to Owners and Dealers is attached.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,



Nasser Zamani

Cc: Amy Martin, CAL-OSHA
Enclosure

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NHTSA #13V-023

Subject: FCCC MTG45/55 Gasoline Fuel Tanks

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

Daimler Trucks North America LLC, on behalf of its wholly owned subsidiary, Freightliner Custom Chassis, has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists on specific Freightliner Custom Chassis MTG45/55 gasoline engine walk-in van chassis manufactured February 15, 2010, through April 30, 2012.

Certain gasoline fuel tanks may experience cracks in the tank skin or welds due to fatigue, leading to a possible leak of gasoline or fumes. A fuel leak, when in the presence of an ignition source, could increase the risk of a fire.

This is the first of two notices you will receive regarding this subject. This letter is to inform you of an upcoming Recall and provide important information regarding steps you may take in the interim. Daimler Trucks is currently developing a remedy and will notify you when it is available. *When you receive the second notice*, please contact your authorized Daimler Trucks dealer to schedule the Recall for your vehicle.

Before the remedy is available, there are steps you can take to reduce the risk of your vehicle developing this condition. As part of your daily pre-trip inspection, inspect the fuel tank. If you find evidence of a leak – gasoline on the surface (not resulting from filling the tank) or signs of gasoline dripping from the tank or on the ground under the tank – please take your vehicle to an authorized Daimler Trucks location to have the fuel tank replaced at no charge. If no signs of a leak are found, there is no further action for you to take until you receive the second notice.

If you do not own the vehicle that corresponds to the identification number(s), which appears on the Recall Notice, please return the notice in the postage-paid envelope with any information you can furnish that will assist us in locating the present owner.

If you have questions or need further information, 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@Daimler.com, or the Customer Assistance Center at (800) 385-4357, after normal business hours. 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 to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

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

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