



U.S. Department of Transportation  
**National Highway Traffic Safety  
Administration**

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Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. Andy Jones  
Daimler Trucks North America LLC  
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NVS-215KS  
15V-586

**Subject:** Rear Brake Calipers may Contact Spring Suspension

Dear Mr. Jones:

This letter serves to acknowledge Daimler Trucks North America LLC's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) listed below. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

**Makes/Models/Model Years:**

FREIGHTLINER/108SD/2014-2016  
FREIGHTLINER/114SD/2014-2016  
FREIGHTLINER/BUSINESS CLASS M2/2014-2016

**Mfr's Report Date:** September 14, 2015

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 15V-586

**Components:**

SERVICE BRAKES, AIR:DISC:CALIPER  
SUSPENSION:REAR

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 53

**Problem Description:**

Daimler Trucks North America LLC (DTNA) is recalling certain model year 2014-2016 Freightliner Business Class M2, 108SD, and 114SD trucks manufactured April 30, 2013, to August 3, 2015. Due to incorrect positioning, the rear disk brake calipers may contact the spring suspension reducing rear brake performance.

**Consequence:**

A reduction in braking performance can increase the risk of a crash.

**Remedy:**

DTNA will notify owners, and dealers will correct the orientation of the rear brake calipers, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin November 13, 2015. Owners may contact DTNA customer service at 1-800-745-8000. DTNA's number for this recall is FL-688.

**Notes:**

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to [www.safercar.gov](http://www.safercar.gov).

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

Please be reminded that under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a)(3), it is illegal for a manufacturer, to sell, offer for sale, import, or introduce or deliver into interstate commerce, a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment that contains a safety defect once the manufacturer has notified NHTSA about that safety defect. This prohibition does not apply once the motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment has been remedied according to the manufacturer's instructions.

As required in Part 573.6(c)(6), in the case of a defect, please amend your provided chronology to include all of principal events that were the basis for the determination that the defect related to motor vehicle safety. Include a count of the number of reports of interference received, what events occurred between the July reports and the September filing and how DTNA was able to determine the date range of the affected production.

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on, or before, 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Kelly Schuler who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-5227, or by email at [kelly.schuler@dot.gov](mailto:kelly.schuler@dot.gov) or through the office email at [rmd.odi@dot.gov](mailto:rmd.odi@dot.gov). We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



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Chief, Recall Management Division  
Office of Defects Investigations  
Enforcement