

# DAIMLER

## Amended Defect Information Report (Section 573.6)

FL-691

Date of Submission: 10/28/2015

Manufacturer: Daimler Trucks North America LLC  
P.O. BOX 3849  
Portland, Oregon 97208

Type of Report:  Safety Defect  Non-Compliance

### Vehicle Information

Model Yr. Start: 2016 Model Yr. End: 2016

Make: Freightliner

Model: Cascadia, Business Class M2, 108SD, 114SD, 122SD, Coronado Glider and Columbia Glider.

Production Dates: Begin: 06/17/2015  
End: 10/1/2015

### Descriptive Information:

Vehicles built in Saltillo and Santiago plants equipped with Detroit Axles.

Number potentially involved: 10843 Estimated percentage of involve with defect: 15%

### Defect / Noncompliance Description

#### Describe the defect or noncompliance:

The steering arm bolt on certain vehicles built with Detroit Axles may not have been torqued to specification. The steering arm bolt joins the steering arm to the knuckle.

#### Describe the safety risk:

Separation of the steering arm from the knuckle could result in loss of steering potentially increasing the risk of a crash.

#### If applicable, identify the manufacture of the defective or noncompliant component.

Detroit Diesel Corporation (Subsidiary DTNA)

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## Chronology of Defect / Noncompliance Determination

**Provide the chronology of events leading up to the defect decision or test data for the noncompliance decision.**

August 2015- Report of loose steering arm bolts on vehicle equipped with Detroit axle.

September 2015- DTNA decided to initiate a voluntary recall campaign.

October 2015- Further investigation identified additional vehicles outside the initial population. DTNA decided to extend the recall population.

## Identify the Remedy

**Describe the defect/noncompliance remedy program, including the manufacture's plan for reimbursement.**

The affected vehicles will have the steering arm bolts inspected for correct torque and repaired if necessary. Repairs will be performed by Daimler Trucks North America or Detroit Diesel authorized service facilities. Copies of the reimbursement plan will be submitted as a supplemental report when available.

## Identify the Recall Schedule

**Describe the recall schedule for notifications.:**

Customer notification will be made by first class mail using Daimler Trucks North America records to determine the customers affected.

<b>Planned Dealer Notification Begin Date:</b>	11/28/2015
<b>Planned Dealer Notification End Date:</b>	11/28/2015
<b>Planned Owner Notification Begin Date:</b>	11/28/2015
<b>Planned Owner Notification End Date:</b>	11/28/2015

**Manufacture's identification code for this recall (if applicable):** FL-691, 15R2, 15R3

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