

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

18V-646

Manufacturer Name : Daimler Trucks North America LLC**Submission Date :** SEP 19, 2018**NHTSA Recall No. :** 18V-646**Manufacturer Recall No. :** FL-791**Manufacturer Information :****Population :**

Manufacturer Name : Daimler Trucks North America LLC

Number of potentially involved : 19,754

Address : 4747 N. Channel Avenue

Estimated percentage with defect : 1 %

Portland OR 97217-3849

Company phone : 800-745-8000

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle 1 : 2018-2019 Freightliner Business Class M2

Vehicle Type :

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Business Class M2, 108 SD and 114 SD vehicles built in Mt. Holly and Business Class M2, 108 SD and 114 SD vehicles built at the Santiago manufacturing plant that were not part of the previous recall, FL781, within the suspect build dates.

Production Dates : DEC 01, 2017 - AUG 03, 2018

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

 Not sequential

Vehicle 2 : 2018-2019 Freightliner 108 SD

Vehicle Type :

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Business Class M2, 108 SD and 114 SD vehicles built in Mt. Holly and Business Class M2, 108 SD and 114 SD vehicles built at the Santiago manufacturing plant that were not part of the previous recall, FL781, within the suspect build dates.

Production Dates : DEC 01, 2017 - AUG 03, 2018

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

 Not sequential

Vehicle 3 : 2018-2019 Freightliner 114 SD

Vehicle Type :

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Business Class M2, 108 SD and 114 SD vehicles built in Mt. Holly and Business Class M2, 108 SD and 114 SD vehicles built at the Santiago manufacturing plant that were not part of the previous recall, FL781, within the suspect build dates.

Production Dates : DEC 01, 2017 - AUG 03, 2018

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

 Not sequential**Description of Defect :**

Description of the Defect : The steering shaft assembly on certain M2, 108 SD and 114 SD vehicles may not have been installed correctly.

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : The defect could lead to a loss of mechanical connection between the steering wheel and the front axle wheels. This could lead to a loss of control of the vehicle.

Description of the Cause : NR

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : NR

Supplier Identification :**Component Manufacturer**

Name : NR

Address : NR

NR

Country : NR

Chronology :

Early August 2018, a vehicle was reported where the upper steering stub-shaft was not installed properly, impacting the connection between the steering wheel and the front axle wheels. DTNA began an extensive investigation including an inspection of other vehicles. None of the inspected vehicles had steering shafts that were improperly installed. Late August 2018 DTNA submitted a defect information report NHTSA # 18V487 and initiated recall FL781 on certain Business Class M2 vehicles built at the Santiago manufacturing plant with a specific steering shaft. While inspections for that recall were being completed, a customer reported a vehicle not included in the FL781 recall with a pinch bolt that was low torque. September 2018, DTNA decided to initiate a voluntary recall campaign in an abundance of caution to enable inspection of the steering shaft of all Business Class M2, 108 SD and 114 SD vehicles built at the Mt Holly manufacturing plant and the Business Class M2, 108 SD and 114 SD vehicles that were not part of the previous recall, FL781, built at the Santiago manufacturing plant between the suspect dates.

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : Subject vehicles will be inspected and repaired if needed. Repairs will be performed by Daimler Trucks North America authorized service facilities. Copies of the reimbursement plan will be submitted as a supplemental report when available.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : NR

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : NR

Recall Schedule :

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

Planned Dealer Notification Date : NOV 16, 2018 - NOV 16, 2018

Planned Owner Notification Date : NOV 16, 2018 - NOV 16, 2018

* NR - Not Reported