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NHTSA #17V-761
Transport Canada #17-583

Subject: Brake Light Pressure Switches

Models Affected: Specific Freightliner Cascadia and Western Star 4700, 4900, 5700, 6900 model vehicles manufactured March 27, 2007, through November 21, 2017.

General Information

NOTE: Recall FL756 is grouped by domicile. FL756A is US and Canada; FL756B is Export. There is no difference in the repair for groups A and B.

Daimler Trucks North America LLC (DTNA), on behalf of its Freightliner Trucks Division and wholly owned subsidiary, Western Star Truck Sales, Inc., has decided that a defect that relates to motor vehicle safety exists on the vehicles mentioned above.

There are approximately 503,909 vehicles involved in this campaign.

On certain vehicles, after several hard brake applications, the brake light pressure switch may not activate the brake lights with a light application of the brake pedal. Brake lights not illuminating when the service brakes are applied would not signal to other motorists the intent of the driver to slow down, leading to an increased risk of a crash.

The brake light pressure switch will be repaired.

Additional Repairs

Dealers must complete all outstanding Recall and Field Service campaigns prior to the sale or delivery of a vehicle. A Dealer will be liable for any progressive damage that results from its failure to complete campaigns before sale or delivery of a vehicle.

Owners may be liable for any progressive damage that results from failure to complete campaigns within a reasonable time after receiving notification.

Work Instructions

Please refer to the attached work instructions. Prior to performing the campaign, check the vehicle for a completion sticker (Form WAR260).

Replacement Parts

There are no replacement parts for this campaign repair.

If our records show your dealership has ordered any vehicles involved in campaign number FL756, a list of the customers and vehicle identification numbers will be available in OWL.

Removed Parts

U.S. and Canadian Dealers, please follow Warranty Failed Parts Tracking shipping instructions for the disposition of all removed parts. Export distributors, please destroy removed parts unless otherwise advised.

Labor Allowance

Table 1 - Labor Allowance

| Campaign Number | Procedure | Time Allowed (hours) | SRT Code | Corrective Action |
|-----------------|---------------|----------------------|-----------|---------------------------|
| FL756AB | Modify switch | 0.2 | 996-R185A | 12-Repair Recall/Campaign |

Table 1

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IMPORTANT: When the Recall has been completed, locate the base completion label in the appropriate location on the vehicle, and attach the red completion sticker provided in the recall kit (Form WAR260). If the vehicle does not have a base completion label, clean a spot on the appropriate location of the vehicle and first attach the base completion label (Form WAR259). If a recall kit is not required or there is no completion sticker in the kit, write the recall number on a blank sticker and attach it to the base completion label.

Claims for Credit

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You will be reimbursed for your parts, labor, and handling (landed cost for Export Distributors) by submitting your claim through the Warranty system within 30 days of completing this campaign. Please reference the following information in OWL:

- Claim type is **Recall Campaign**.
- In the FTL Authorization field, enter the campaign number and appropriate condition code (**FL756-A or FL756-B**).
- In the Primary Failed Part Number field, enter **25-FL756-000**.
- In the Labor field, first enter the appropriate SRT from the Labor Allowance Table. Administrative time will be included automatically as SRT 939-0010A for 0.3 hours.
- The VMRS Component Code is **034-002-020** and the Cause Code is **A1 - Campaign**.
- **U.S. and Canada -- Reimbursement for Prior Repairs.** When a customer asks about reimbursement, please do the following:
 - Accept the documentation of the previous repair.
 - Make a brief check of the customer's paperwork to see if the repair may be eligible for reimbursement. (See the "Copy of Owner Letter" section of this bulletin for reimbursement guidelines.)
 - Submit an OWL Recall Pre-Approval Request for a decision.
 - Include the approved amount on your claim in the Other Charges section.
 - Attach the documentation to the pre-approval request.
 - If approved, submit a based on claim for the pre-approval.
 - Reimburse the customer the appropriate amount.

IMPORTANT: OWL must be viewed prior to performing the recall to ensure the vehicle is involved and the campaign has not been previously completed. Also, check for a completion sticker prior to beginning work.

U.S. and Canadian dealers, contact the Warranty Campaigns Department via Web inquiry at DTNACconnect.com / WSC, or the Customer Assistance Center at (800) 385-4357, after normal business hours, if you have any questions or need additional information. Export distributors, submit a Web inquiry or contact your International Service Manager.

U.S. and Canadian Dealers: To return excess kit inventory related to this campaign, U.S. dealers must submit a Parts Authorization Return (PAR) to the Memphis PDC. Canadian dealers must submit a PAR to their facing PDC. All kits must be in resalable condition. PAR requests must include the original purchase invoice number. Export Distributors: Excess inventory is not returnable.

The letter notifying U.S. and Canadian vehicle owners is included for your reference.

Please note that the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act, as amended (Title 49, United States Code, Chapter 301), requires the owner's vehicle(s) be corrected within a reasonable time after parts are available to you. The Act states that failure to repair a vehicle within 60 days after tender for repair shall be prima facie evidence of an unreasonable time. However, circumstances of a particular situation may reduce the 60 day

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period. Failure to repair a vehicle within a reasonable time can result in either the obligation to (a) replace the vehicle with an identical or reasonably equivalent vehicle, without charge, or (b) refund the purchase price in full, less a reasonable allowance for depreciation. The Act further prohibits dealers from selling a vehicle unless all outstanding recalls are performed. Any lessor is required to send a copy of the recall notification to the lessee within 10 days. Any subsequent stage manufacturer is required to forward this notice to its distributors and retail outlets within five working days.

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Copy of Notice to Owners

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For the Notice to U.S. Customers: This notice is sent to you in accordance with the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. **For the Notice to Canadian Customers:** This notice is sent to you in accordance with the Canadian Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Daimler Trucks North America LLC (DTNA), on behalf of its Freightliner Trucks Division and wholly owned subsidiary, Western Star Truck Sales, Inc., has decided that a defect that relates to motor vehicle safety exists on specific Freightliner Cascadia and Western Star 4700, 4900, 5700, 6900 model vehicles manufactured March 27, 2007, through November 21, 2017.

On certain vehicles, after several hard brake applications, the brake light pressure switch may not activate the brake lights with a light application of the brake pedal. Brake lights not illuminating when the service brakes are applied would not signal to other motorists the intent of the driver to slow down, leading to an increased risk of a crash.

The brake light pressure switch will be repaired.

This is the second of two notices mailed regarding this recall. The repair is available and you may now contact an authorized Daimler Trucks North America dealer to arrange to have the Recall performed. To locate an authorized dealer, search online at www.Daimler-TrucksNorthAmerica.com. On the menu tab, select "Contact," scroll down to "Find a Dealer," and select the appropriate brand. The Recall will take approximately one hour and will be performed at no charge to you.

You may be liable for any progressive damage that results from your failure to complete the Recall within a reasonable time after receiving notification.

If you do not own the vehicle that corresponds to the identification number(s) which appears on the Recall Notification, please return the notification to the Warranty Campaigns Department 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 10 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. Please see the reverse side of this notice for details.

For the Notice to U.S. Customers: If you have questions about this Recall, 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. If you are not able to have the defect remedied without charge and within a reasonable time, 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>. **For the Notice to Canadian Customers:** If you have questions about this Recall, 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.

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

WARRANTY CAMPAIGNS DEPARTMENT

Enclosure

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Reimbursement to Customers for Repairs Performed Prior to Recall

If you have already **paid** to have this recall condition corrected you may be eligible to receive reimbursement.

Requests for reimbursement may include parts and labor. Reimbursement may be limited to the amount the repair would have cost if completed by an authorized Daimler Trucks North America LLC dealer. The following documentation must be presented to your dealer for consideration for reimbursement.

Please provide original or clear copies of all receipts, invoices, and repair orders that show:

- The name and address of the person who paid for the repair
- The Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) of the vehicle that was repaired
- What problem occurred, what repair was done, when the repair was done
- Who repaired the vehicle
- The total cost of the repair expense that is being claimed
- Proof of payment for the repair (such as the front and back of a cancelled check or a credit card receipt)

Reimbursement will be made by check from your Daimler Trucks North America LLC dealer.

Please speak with your Daimler Trucks North America LLC authorized dealer concerning this matter.

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Work Instructions

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Pressure Switch Procedure

1. Check the base label (Form WAR259) for a completion sticker for FL756 (Form WAR260) indicating this work has been completed. The base label is usually located on the passenger-side door, about 12 inches (30 cm) below the door latch. If a completion sticker is present, no work is needed. If a completion sticker is not present, proceed to the next step.
2. Park the vehicle on a level surface, shut down the engine, and apply the parking brake. Chock the tires.
3. For Cascadia vehicles, remove the four screws attaching the column cover to the dash, then remove the cover. See [Fig. 1](#), Ref. A.

For Western Star vehicles, remove the three screws and two plastic rivets attaching the combination column and throttle pedal cover to the dash, then remove the cover. See [Fig. 2](#) for Western Star vehicles.

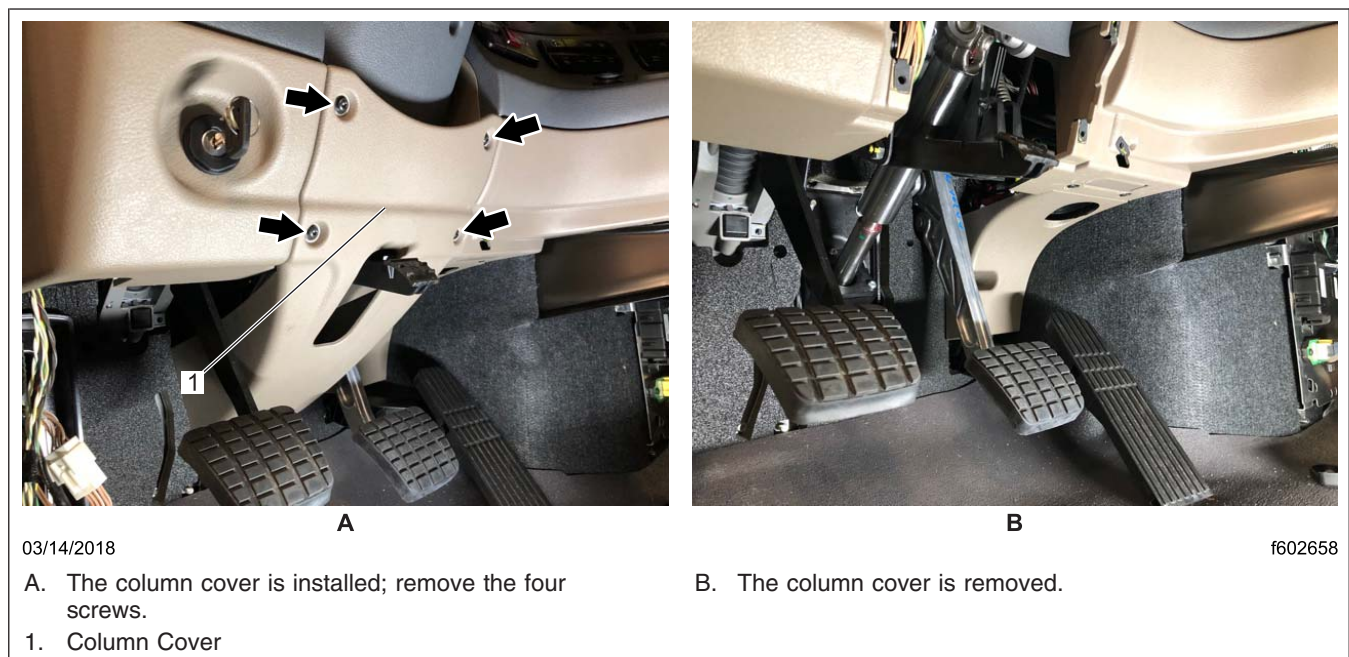


Fig. 1, Column Cover, Cascadia Vehicles

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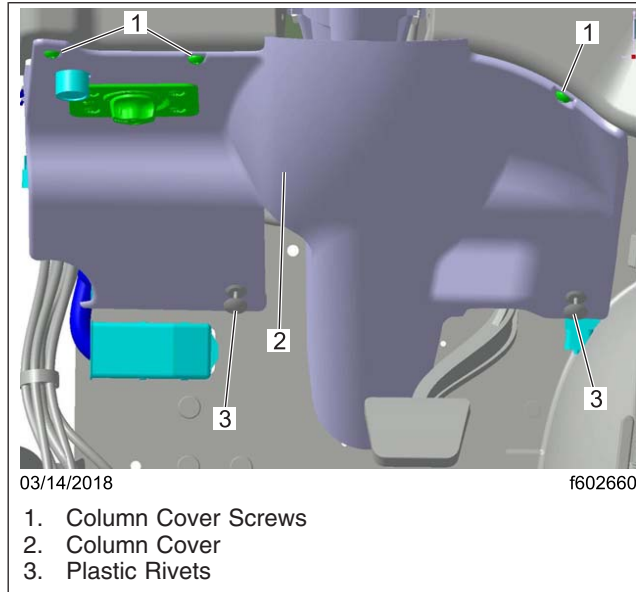


Fig. 2, Column Cover, Western Star Vehicles

4. For Cascadia vehicles, remove the three screws attaching the throttle pedal cover, then remove the cover. See [Fig. 3](#).

For Western Star vehicles there is only one cover for the column and throttle pedal, which was removed in the previous step. Go to step 5.

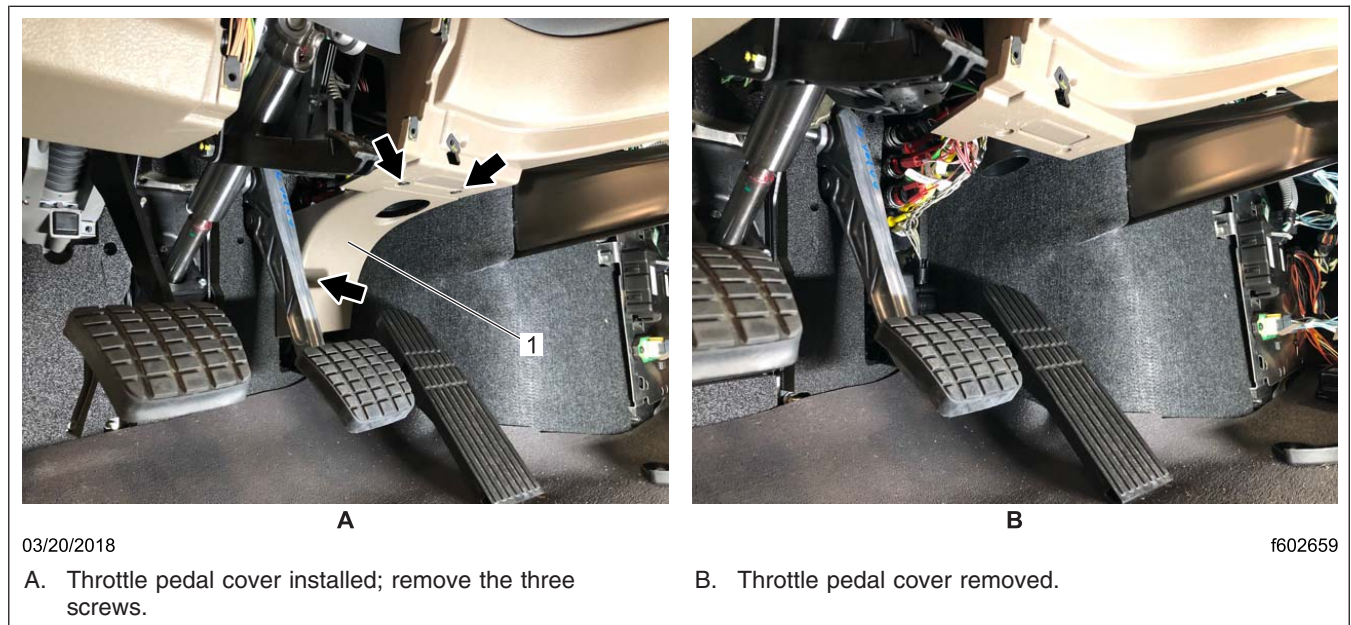


Fig. 3, Removing the Throttle Pedal Cover

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5. Disconnect the switch connector from the air pressure switch. See [Fig. 4](#) for Cascadia vehicles and [Fig. 5](#) for Western Star vehicles.

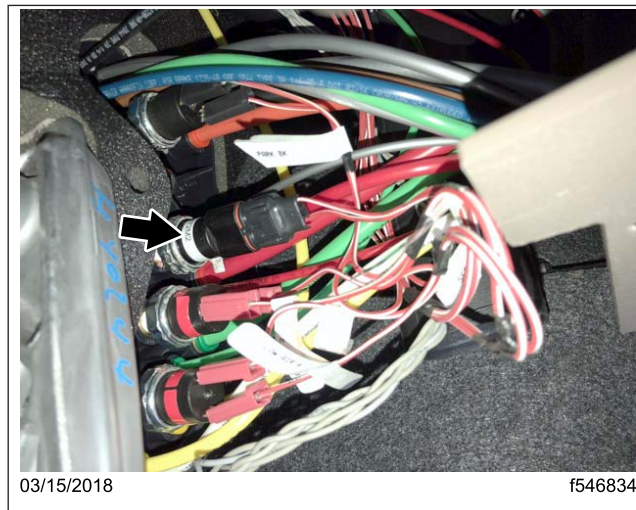


Fig. 4, Disconnecting the Switch Connector, Cascadia Vehicles

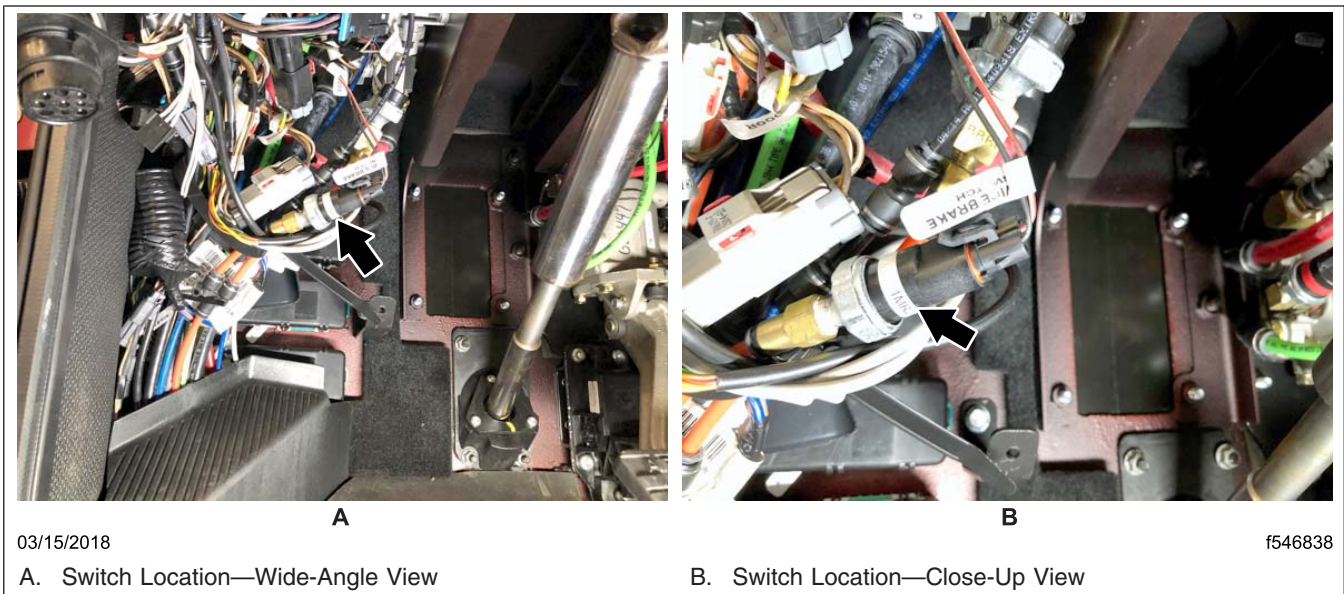


Fig. 5, Disconnecting the Switch Connector, Western Star Vehicles

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6. Remove the switch connector back cover. See [Fig. 6](#).



Fig. 6, Switch Connector, Back Cover Partially Removed

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NOTE: It does not matter which pin is removed.

- Using the automotive connector terminal removal tool (DKI0CHA17002-1), remove one of the pins from the connector. See [Fig. 7](#).

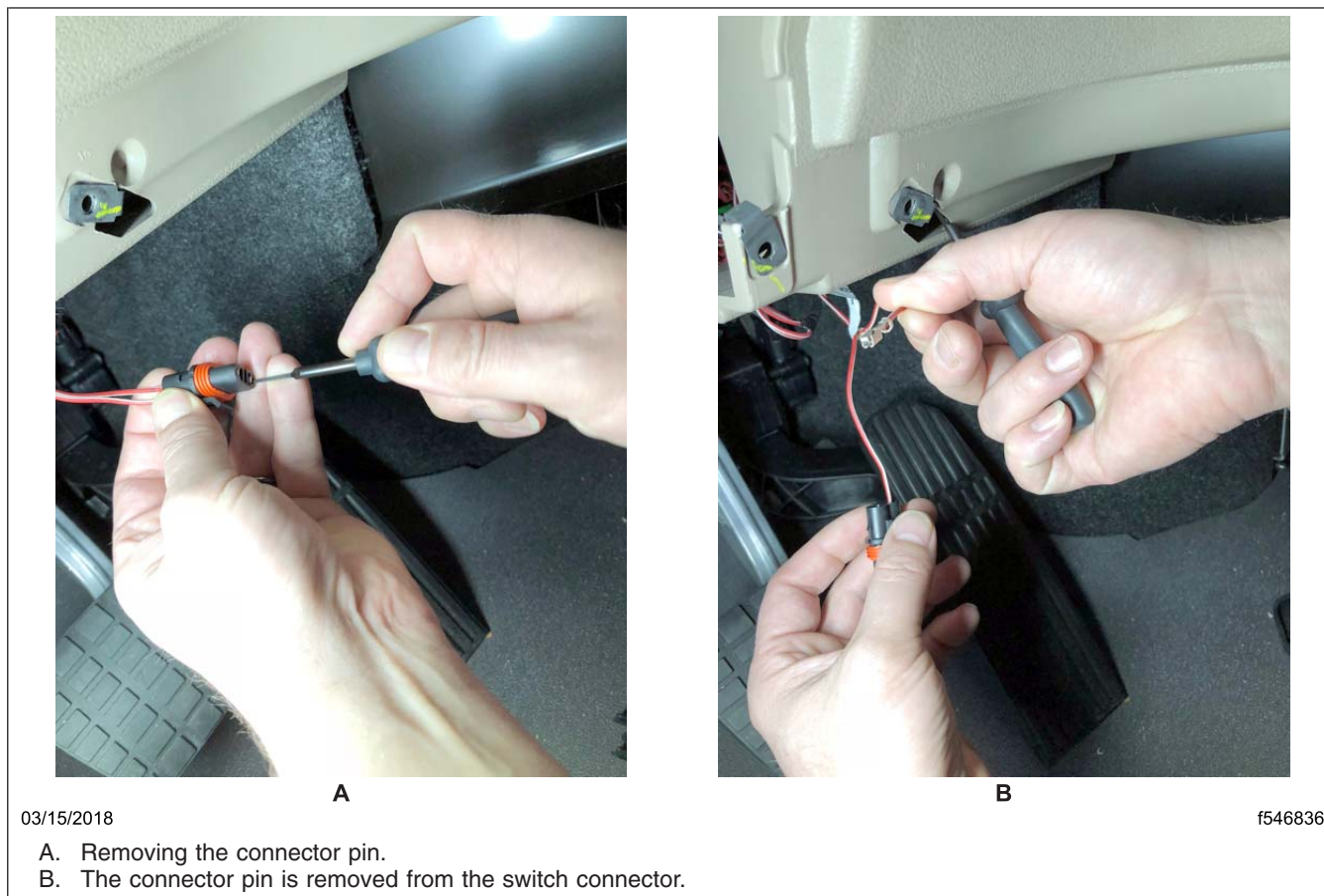


Fig. 7, Removing the Connector Pin

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8. Cut the green seal off of the pin that was removed.
9. With the seal removed, use the automotive connector terminal removal tool to retention the latch on the pin. If this is not done, the pin may not latch and could push out when the connector is installed. See [Fig. 8](#).

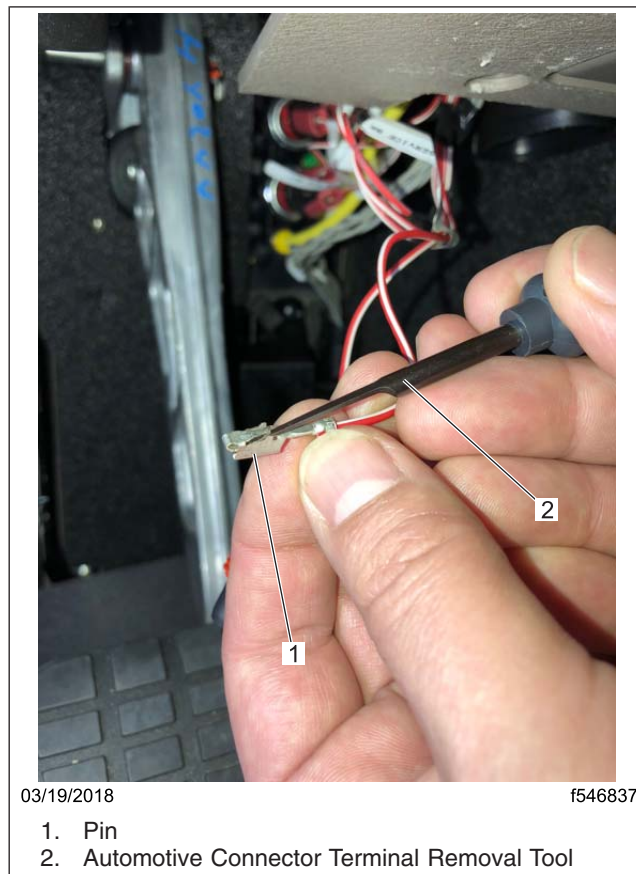


Fig. 8, Retentioning the Pin Latch

10. Install the pin in the back of the connector. Pull on the wire to ensure the terminal is seated properly. If the terminal does not lock in properly, repeat step 9.
11. Install the connector back cover.
12. Connect the switch connector to the air pressure switch.
13. Using the three screws, install the throttle pedal cover.
14. Install the column cover.

For Cascadia vehicles, use the four screws and install the column cover. See [Fig. 1](#).

For Western Star vehicles, use the three screws and two plastic rivets and install the combination column and throttle pedal cover. Ensure that the holes in the bracket and cover line up before installing the rivets. See [Fig. 2](#).

15. Clean a spot on the base label (Form WAR259), write the recall number, FL756, on a red completion sticker (Form WAR260), and attach it to the base label, indicating this work has been completed.