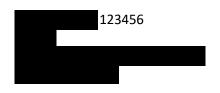
IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL NOTICE 2021050003 This notice applies to your vehicle VIN: 123456 Inspect Power Steering Hose Clamps NHTSA Recall ID: 21V241

May, 2021



- A remedy is available for your vehicle.
- Schedule an appointment with your authorized
- Mercedes-Benz dealer as soon as possible.
- This repair will be provided free of charge.

Dear Valued Freightliner Sprinter Owner:

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

Mercedes-Benz AG ("MBAG"), the manufacturer of Freightliner vehicles has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain Model Year 2019-2020 Freightliner Sprinter vehicles. Our records indicate that your vehicle is included in the affected population of vehicles.

What is the issue?

MBAG has determined that on certain Freightliner Sprinter vehicles, the hydraulic power steering return line hoses might detach at their connection points under certain operating conditions, which could cause hydraulic fluid to leak, resulting in the loss of power steering assist. If the hydraulic power steering hose detaches, the driver will still have manual steering functionality, but increased steering effort will be needed, particularly at low speeds. Sudden loss of power steering assist as well as the loss of hydraulic steering fluid to the road surface may increase the risk of a crash.



What will your Freightliner Dealer do?

An authorized Frelightliner dealer will check the return line connections of the power steering system and if needed, install the respective replacement clamp.



Steps to take.

For additional information and to schedule an appointment, please contact your preferred Freightliner Sprinter dealer at your earliest convenience.

To locate authorized Freightliner dealers, please visit <u>https://www.freightlinersprinterusa.com/freightliner/shopping-tools/find-a-dealer</u> or call 1-877-762-8267

Please mention you are scheduling an appointment to inspect power steering hose clamps under Recall Campaign # 2021050003. **This could take approximately 1hr and 30 minutes**. This service will be provided free of charge. You may be asked for your 17-digit Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) which for your convenience is located above your name at the top of this letter.

If this is a leased vehicle and the lessor and registered owner receive this notice, please forward this information by first class mail to the lessee within 10 business days to comply with Federal Regulations.

Please visit <u>www.freightlinersprinterusa.com/freightliner/owners-resources/recall</u>. Should you have any questions or encounter any difficulty regarding this Recall Campaign, please contact an authorized Freightliner dealer. A VIN-based recall lookup tool on our website now offers a search feature that will indicate whether a vehicle has been subject to a safety recall, and whether that vehicle has had the free remedy performed.

Sincerely, Daimler Vans USA

Daimler Vans USA, LLC A Daimler AG Company One Mercedes-Benz Drive Sandy Springs, GA 30328 Phone: (770) 705-0600



Additional Information for Owners:

If an authorized Mercedes-Benz dealer for any reason is unable to remedy the situation without charge, or within a reasonable amount of time, pursuant to law 49 U.S.C. Chapter 301, you may submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E., Washington, D.C. 20590 or call the toll-free Auto Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153); or go to https://www.safercar.gov.

IMPORTANT

VIN: 123456

If for any reason YOU NO LONGER OWN THIS VEHICLE OR have a CHANGE OF ADDRESS, please COMPLETE THE SECTION BELOW, place in the ENCLOSED ENVELOPE, and DROP IN ANY MAIL BOX. If possible, provide the name and address of the present owner so that we may contact them.

- **EXPORTED**
- LEASE, VEHICLE RETURNED
- **SCRAPPED**

- OTHER

□ NEW OWNER INFORMATION

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