

# Daimler Trucks North America LLC

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## IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL

See enclosed VIN list

### Subject: DETROIT™ Tie Rod & Steering Arm Bolt Replacement Update

Models Affected: DETROIT™ Model 2 and 3 Steer Axles

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. This is to inform you that your vehicle may contain a defect that could affect the safety of a person.

Daimler Trucks North America LLC, on behalf of its DETROIT™ Powertrain Division, has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists on certain Detroit Model 2 and 3 steer axles manufactured between Jan 7th, 2021 and Mar 15th, 2021. DTNA is initiating Recall Campaign D21R6 to replace the tie rod and steering arm bolts.

On certain Detroit Model 2 and 3 steer axles, the tie rod arm and steering arm bolts used to assemble front axle assemblies have a lengthwise “seam” defect which increases stress concentration, potentially leading to bolt failure or loss of pre-load.

**At first review, records indicated that your vehicle(s) has one of the affected steering axles. However, further review revealed that the unit(s) listed below was corrected at the OEM manufacturing plant prior to release. Therefore this letter is to inform you that no further work is needed on the vehicle that corresponds to the identification number(s) listed below. If you feel this is not correct, please contact the Warranty Campaigns Department at the numbers below.**

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 questions about this Recall, please contact the **Detroit Diesel Customer Support Center**, 13400 Outer Drive West, Detroit, MI 48239, or call **(800) 445-1980 (Eastern Standard Time)**. **Detroit Diesel's Customer Support Center is open 24 Hours / 7 Days a Week.** 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>.

We are sorry to cause you this inconvenience. However, we have taken this action in the interest of your continued satisfaction with our products.

**DETROIT WARRANTY CAMPAIGNS DEPARTMENT**

Enclosure