

April 29, 2022

Ms. Tiffani Torgeson Manager Compliance and Regulatory Affairs Daimler Trucks North America, LLC 4747 N Channel Ave Portland, OR 97217

Subject: Improperly Secured Seat Belts

Dear Ms. Torgeson:

This letter serves to acknowledge Daimler Trucks North America, LLC's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) listed below. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

# Makes/Models/Model Years:

WESTERN STAR/4700/2022 WESTERN STAR/4900/2022

Mfr's Report Date: April 20, 2022

NHTSA Campaign Number: 22V-269

**Components:** SEAT BELTS:CRITICAL FASTENERS

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 3

### **Problem Description:**

Daimler Trucks North America, LLC (DTNA) is recalling certain 2022 Western Star 4900 and 4700 vehicles. The seat belts may not be secured properly.

### **Consequence:**

Improperly secured seat belts may not adequately restrain an occupant in a crash, increasing the risk of injury.

# **Remedy:**

Dealers will inspect and tighten the seat belt tether bolts, as necessary, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed June 18, 2022. Owners may contact DTNA customer service at 1-800-547-0712. DTNA's number for this recall is FL-927.

### Notes:

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.nhtsa.gov.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:



1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

> NEF-107ES 22V-269

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

Please be reminded that under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a)(3), it is illegal for a manufacturer, to sell, offer for sale, import, or introduce or deliver into interstate commerce, a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment that contains a safety defect once the manufacturer has notified NHTSA about that safety defect. This prohibition does not apply once the motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment has been remedied according to the manufacturer's instructions.

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of eight consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on, or before, 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Daimler Trucks North America, LLC's contact for this recall will be Emily C. Smith who may be reached by email at emily.c.smith@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

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Alex Ansley Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigation Enforcement

