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## **Statement: Heat-treating**

October 27, 2015, Auburn Hills, Mich. - FCA US LLC is voluntarily recalling an estimated 65,760 U.S.-market trucks – most of which are in dealer hands – to inspect and replace, as required, their rear axle shafts or rear axles.

An FCA US investigation discovered axle shafts produced by a supplier may not have been properly heat-treated. This may contribute to increased wear and overheating sufficient to illuminate a vehicle's Anti-lock Brake System (ABS) warning light; if ignored, the condition may lead to component fracture and possible wheel separation.

## The Company is aware of a single potentially related accident, but no injuries.

The recall is limited to certain 2015-2016 Ram 1500 pickups produced between mid-June and late September of this year. Additional vehicles are affected in other markets. They include an estimated 16,647 in Canada; 1,924 in Mexico; and 1,715 outside the NAFTA region.

Affected customers will be advised when they may schedule service. FCA US will provide, free of charge.

Customers who observe an ABS warning light, or any other item of concern, should contact their dealers. Customers with additional questions may call the FCA US Customer Information Center at 1-800-853-1403.

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