## **Freightliner Sprinter Emblem Delamination**

A common problem with Freightliner Sprinters is the delamination of the Freightliner emblem from the substrate. Probably it is the Sprinter's reaction to the shabby treatment DC is giving the Freightliner Sprinters by making them orphans at the tender age of 6: many of these Sprinters are shedding their foster-parent's name. If you are lucky enough to catch it before it falls off, it is easy to repair.

Emblems ready to fall off are noticeable by a gap between the plastic-chrome and the black plastic of the emblem. There are 6 glue-dots holding the emblem on. When 3 to 4 are loose, either check regularly or complete the delamination by carefully prying it off with a large-blade screwdriver.



Once the emblem is off, note that the glue dots are <u>always</u> well attached to the chromeplastic base. Do not take these dots off, as they provide the proper spacing between the base and the face of the emblem. Clean these dots with a non-grease cleaner.



Also clean the back of the emblem. Note that there is no part number for the emblem. Apparently the emblem is sold only as part of complete unit:



If you are (un)lucky enough to have both emblems delaminate at the same time, note that they are identical, but the bases that they attach to are not. In my case, the front emblem had scratches, so I move it to the back and brought the rear to the front:



NOTE: the dots often have a thin film that is not fully attached to the main glue dot. Either cut this film off or make sure that the contact glue is on all sides of the film.

Apply contact glue to both the dots and the back side of the emblems. After curing, <u>flip</u> the emblem into position from the bottom up. Apply pressure, and you are done!