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Ladies/Gentlemen,

I own a Mercedes Benz model E-320 year 2001. In April 2004 the battery located in a metal compartment under the rear seat exploded literally. When the technician sent by M-B Dealers in Fort Myers replaced the battery the reason for the explosion was clear. The below diagram is self explanatory:
battery compartment
vent hose



This configuration ensures that hydrogen will be trapped within the battery. Apparently Mercedes-Benz has been aware of the problem as there have been other battery explosions. Are you aware of this problem and if so what has been done to address it?

Thank you for your attention. *Mania* 1/12/05

P.S. The odometer currently has $\pm$ 20,000 miles recorded