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Ms. Nancy Lummen Lewis  
Associate Administrator, Enforcement  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
Attention: Recall Management Division  
1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E.  
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Washington, D.C. 20590

**Re: Part 579 Foreign Campaign Report**

Dear Ms. Lewis:

This letter is submitted by Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC (MBUSA) on behalf of our parent company, Daimler AG (DAG) pursuant to the requirements of 49 C.F.R. Part 579.11(a). This letter refers to a DAG field campaign that will be conducted by DAG solely in South Korea on vehicles that are defined under TREAD regulations as being "substantially similar" to vehicles sold or offered for sale in the United States. As indicated below, no potentially affected vehicles were distributed or sold in the United States. The information required under 49 C.F.R. § 579.12 is as follows:

**Manufacturer's Name**

Daimler AG, Stuttgart, Germany manufactured the affected vehicles.

**Identification of Vehicles**

| Make          | Line                                | Model Year  | Inclusive Dates of Manufacture       |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------------------|
| Mercedes-Benz | E-Class (212 platform):<br>E220 CDI | 2009 - 2015 | March 25, 2009 - November 6,<br>2014 |

**Total Number of Vehicles Potentially Affected**

Approximately 14,331 E-Class E220 CDI vehicles in South Korea.



### **Description of Issue**

Local South Korean authorities inquired on E220 CDI (212 platform) vehicles whether the distance between the engine cover and the wiring harness to the engine is less than specified. Although DAG has determined that no unreasonable risk to motor vehicle safety exists, DAG appreciates the opportunity to cooperate with local South Korean authorities and will check all E220 CDI (212 platform) vehicles currently in the South Korean market.

### **Description of Foreign Campaign**

DAG will notify South Korean authorities that it will initiate a voluntary recall on the subject vehicles in February 2015. The campaign will only be conducted in South Korea and is expected to begin in February 2015. The vehicles will be checked and fixed if necessary.

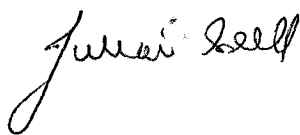
### **Identification of Substantially Similar Vehicles Sold or Offered for Sale in the United States**

The following vehicles sold in the U.S. fall under the definition of "substantially similar": Mercedes-Benz E-Class (212 platform). MBUSA started offering the E250 BlueTec with the subject engine cover as of MY 2014. All E250 BlueTec vehicles in the US market have been produced using a redesigned engine cover.

MBUSA is not aware of any issues relating to the subject condition outlined above on E250 BlueTEC vehicles in the US.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. R. Thomas Brunner at [brunnert@mbusa.com](mailto:brunnert@mbusa.com).

Sincerely,



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