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Mr. Frank Borris
Associate Administrator, Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Attention: Recall Management Division
1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E.
NVS-200, Room W45-306
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Part 579 Foreign Campaign Report

Dear Mr. Borris:

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 report refers to a DAG recall that will be launched by DAG in other countries 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 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	B 160 CDI, B 180, B 180 CDI, B 200, B 200 4MATIC, B 200 CDI 4MATIC, B 220 CDI 4MATIC, B 220 CDI, B 200 CDI, B 220 4MATIC, B 250 4MATIC, B 250	2013, 2014, 2015	December 20, 2012 – 27, 2015

Total Number of Vehicles Potentially Affected

Approximately 1,034 B-Class (246 platform) vehicles are potentially affected worldwide .



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Description of Issue

Daimler AG ('DAG'), the manufacturer of Mercedes-Benz vehicles has determined that on certain B-Class vehicles (246 platform) with the "Easy-Vario"-Option, the rear screws used to bolt the rear seat to the body of the vehicle, might be missing on one side due to the combination of two separate errors in the assembly plant.

A combination of two separate errors in the assembly plant could have potentially resulted in the rear seat bench not being properly bolted to the body of the vehicle and no detection of this mistake in the subsequent quality check.

Missing bolts at the rear seat bench could potentially increase the risk of injury caused by unsecured baggage in case of a frontal crash due to the rear seat bench potentially being lifted up from the rear. Also, anchoring of the seat belt in this area as required by the respective regulations cannot be guaranteed, which may increase the general risk of injury.

Description of Foreign Campaign

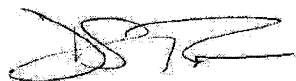
DAG will notify the appropriate authorities in the affected countries that it will initiate a voluntary safety recall on the subject vehicles on April 12, 2016. The campaign will be conducted in the respective countries in Europe, UK, Japan and South-Africa and is expected to begin as of April 25, 2016. The bolts of the rear seat bench of the affected vehicles will be checked and mounted properly 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 B-Class electric drive (242 platform). MBUSA does not sell or offer a B-Class (246 platform) in the US.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. R. Thomas Brunner at brunnert@mbusa.com.

Sincerely,



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