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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	AMG C43 4MATIC	2016	February 22,2016 – 23,2016

Total Number of Vehicles Potentially Affected

Approximately 14 C-class (205 platform) vehicles are potentially affected worldwide .

Description of Issue



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DAG has determined, that certain C-class vehicles (205 platform) were equipped with the incorrect underbody panel. The recess for the left decoupling element of the exhaust system is missing in this panel. This leads to increased proximity and possible contact between the decoupling element of the exhaust system and the underbody panel.

A rack on the assembly line was stocked with the incorrect underbody paneling.

The temperatures at the decoupling element of the exhaust system during vehicle operation under full load could lead to an ignition of the plastic paneling and increase the risk of fire.

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 Germany, Switzerland and Sweden and is expected to begin as of April 18, 2016. The affected underbody panels on the affected vehicles will be replaced.

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

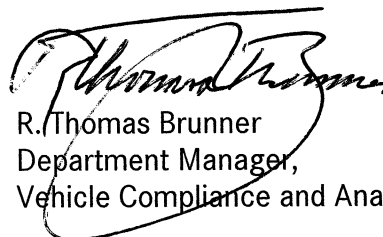
The following vehicles sold in the U.S. fall under the definition of "substantially similar": Mercedes-Benz C-Class (205 platform). None of the affected vehicles have been manufactured for sale in the US.

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

Sincerely,



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