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Mr. Frank Borris
Associate Administrator, Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Attention: Recall Management Division
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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	117 platform: CLA 180, CLA 180 CDI, CLA 200, CLA 200 CDI, CLA 220 CDI, CLA 250 4MATIC, CLA 45 AMG, CLA 45 AMG 4MATIC; 246 platform: B 180 CDI, B 200 CDI	2016	September 2, 2015

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Total Number of Vehicles Potentially Affected

Approximately 17 CLA-Class (117 platform), B-Class (246 platform) vehicles are potentially affected worldwide.

Description of Issue

Daimler AG ('DAG'), the manufacturer of Mercedes-Benz vehicles has determined that on certain CLA-Class and B-Class vehicles (117 and 246 platform), manufactured in the Kecskemet plant, the fastening of the battery main ground cable might have been outside specifications.

This is due to a defect of the electric power tool used to tighten the ground cable.

In the event of a poor ground connection of the main battery cable, a momentary higher contact resistance might result in arcing and increased local heating, leading to a 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 the respective countries in Brazil, UK, France, Italy, Belgium, Netherlands and Switzerland and is expected to begin on April 18, 2016. The fastening of the battery main ground connection cable of the affected vehicles will be checked, and properly secured if necessary.

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

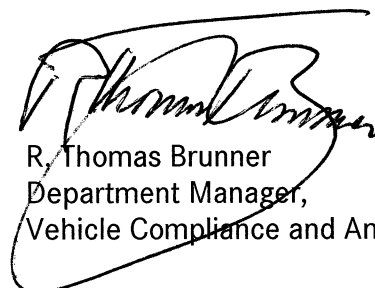
The following vehicles sold in the U.S. fall under the definition of "substantially similar": Mercedes-Benz CLA-Class, GLA-Class and B-Class (117, 156 and 242 platform). MBUSA does not sell or offer B-Class (246 platform) vehicles in the US and none of the affected CLA-Class (117 platform) vehicles were manufactured for sale in the US. GLA-Class and B-Class vehicles (117 and 242 platform) are not manufactured in the Kecskemet plant and thus not affected.

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

Sincerely,



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