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Mr. Jeff Giuseppe
Acting Associate Administrator for 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. Giuseppe:

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	C 220 d, AMG C 43 4MATIC, C 200 d, C 200 4MATIC, C 180, C 160, C 180 d, C 400 4MATIC, C 300 4MATIC, C 220 d 4MATIC, C 300, C 200	2018	November 11, 2017 – April 4, 2018

Total Number of Vehicles Potentially Affected

Approximately 376 C-Class (205 platform) vehicles are potentially affected worldwide.

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Description of Issue

DAG determined that on certain facelift C-class vehicles (205 platform), the software of the Electronic Stability Program (ESP) does not meet current production specifications. During braking, activation of this brake control system and its hydraulic pump could lead to a misinterpretation of excess voltage. In this case, ESP- and ABS-functions might not be available.

Due to an incorrect programming of the ESP software for facelift vehicles this issue might occur in certain vehicles only.

As a consequence the wheels might lock during hard braking, increasing the risk of a crash. However, the hydraulic brake system is still operational and unintended activation of the brake control system can be ruled out. After an ignition cycle, the ESP- and ABS-functions will be available again.

Description of Foreign Campaign

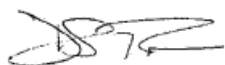
DAG will notify the appropriate authorities in the affected countries that it will initiate a voluntary safety recall on the subject vehicles on June 15, 2018. The campaign will be conducted in Belgium, Ukraine, Finland, France, United Kingdom, Ireland, Italy, Netherlands, Portugal, Slovakia, Hungary, South Africa, Brazil, Taiwan, India, South Korea, Australia and New Zealand and is expected to begin at a date to be determined. The ESP software of the affected vehicles will be updated.

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, facelift). None of the potentially affected vehicles were sold or offered for sale in the U.S.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Gregory Gunther at gregory.gunther@mbusa.com.

Sincerely,



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