



**CERTIFICATE IN SUPPORT OF
REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIALITY**

I, Anthony Washington, pursuant to the provisions of 49 CFR Part 512, state as follows:

- (1) I am the Department Manager, Regulations & Certifications, for Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC (MBUSA), and I am authorized by MBUSA to execute this certificate on its behalf. MBUSA, on behalf of itself and its parent company, Daimler Aktiengesellschaft (DAG), hereby submits this certificate in support of its request for confidentiality.
- (2) I certify that the marked information contained in the accompanying response to NHTSA's Preliminary Evaluation (PE21-019) for allegations of vehicle rollaway while in park, in model year (MY) 2019 Mercedes-Benz Sprinter vans vehicles is confidential and proprietary data. It is being submitted with the claim that it is entitled to confidential treatment under 49 U.S.C. § 552 (b)(4);
- (3) I hereby request that the marked information be protected into perpetuity;
- (4) This certification is based on the information provided by the responsible personnel who have authority in the normal course of business to release the information for which a claim of confidentiality has been made to ascertain whether such information has ever been released outside MBUSA or its parent company, Daimler Aktiengesellschaft (DAG);
- (5) Based upon that information, to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, the information for which MBUSA has claimed confidential treatment has never been released or become available outside of MBUSA, except as hereinafter specified: the information has been made available to DAG and portions of it may have been made available as necessary for the purpose of obtaining advice and assistance from counsel and other confidential advisers;
- (6) I make no representations beyond those contained in this certificate and, in particular, I make no representations as to whether this information may become available outside of MBUSA or DAG because of unauthorized or inadvertent disclosure except as stated in Paragraph 5; and
- (7) I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on this the 22nd day of October 2021.