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REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573**

Assigned Recall No. **02V-338** by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: **December 9, 2002**

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SUBJECT: 65,000 Mercedes-Benz 2000-2001 S-Class vehicles manufactured from July 1998 through March 2001. Excessive static build-up in the trunk floor mats can cause a static discharge when individuals move or remove items from the trunk compartment. This can damage the electrical system components located in the trunk, including the vehicle's battery.

This is an acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be written only if we have additional comments or concerns.

Please provide us with a draft owner notification letter for our review before mailing to consumers as well as an estimated owner notification mailing schedule.

If you have any questions, please call:



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