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SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573**

Assigned Recall No. 04V-227 by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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SUBJECT: 54,454 Mercedes-Benz 2000-2001 S-Class vehicles manufactured from May 1998 through October 2000; and 2000-2001 CL-Class vehicles manufactured from September 1999 through October 2000. During the production process of the blower motor fuse holder, the size of the electric conductor of the holder may be below appropriate tolerances. Consequently, the electric conductor of the holder may dissipate more heat than the plastic fuse holder was designed to withstand, which could result in partial melting of the blower motor fuse holder and disabling of the blower motor.

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 schedule.

If you have any questions, please call:



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