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SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573**

Assigned Recall No. **04V-228** by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: **May 4, 2004**

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SUBJECT: 6,238 Mercedes-Benz 2001-2004 S-Class (220 platform) vehicles manufactured from April 2000 through March 2004; and 2001-2004 CL-Class (215 platform) vehicles manufactured from December 1999 through March 2004. Corrosion may occur in the inner steel portions of the Active Body Control's (ABC) high-pressure distribution hose due to extensive exposure to heat and humidity. Over time, corrosion may deteriorate the inner steel portions of the hose.

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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