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Assigned Recall No. <u>04V-296</u> by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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SUBJECT: 143,387 Mercedes Benz 2002-2004 SL Class vehicles manufactured from October 2001 through May 2004 and 2003-2004 E Class vehicles manufactured from March 2002 through May 2004. The electronic monitoring system of the Sensotronic Brake Control (SBC) is designed to monitor the pressure gradient within the high pressure line of the brake system. If an unacceptable pressure gradient is detected, the system will switch, as it is designed to do, into the hydraulic function mode.

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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