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To: Mercedes-Benz Dealer Principals, General Managers, Sales Managers, Service Managers, Parts Managers

From: Frank J. Diertl, General Manager, Engineering Services

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Re: Recall Campaign – Instrument Cluster, Models 215/220

On February 1, 2006 the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) was notified that Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC will conduct a voluntary Recall Campaign on certain model year 2000 – 2002 and 2004 - 2005 CL-Class (215) and S-Class (220) vehicles with regard to the instrument cluster.

The instrument cluster backlighting on the subject vehicles may experience electrical malfunctions which, depending on lighting conditions, can make some of the indicators more difficult to read.

This notification will be posted on the NHTSA web site and may generate some customer questions.

This Recall Campaign affects approximately 36,911 vehicles in the U.S. Instrument clusters in affected vehicles will be replaced if necessary.

As soon as sufficient parts supplies are available we will contact you with further information on the release of this campaign.

Please refer all customer inquiries to the Customer Assistance Center at 1-800-FOR-MERCEdes (1800-367-6372).