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June 7, 2013

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Office of Defect Investigation
Attention: Jennifer Timian, Chief Recall Management Division NVS 215
1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: 49 CFR Part 573; Recall of Mercedes-Benz Front Passenger Occupant Classification System

Dear Ms. Timian:

Pursuant to 49 CFR Part 573.6(10), this letter contains 2 documents (Dealer Notification, VIN file) that was communicated to our dealers on the above subject and will be submitted in the Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC (MBUSA) regular monthly mailing for the month of June, 2013.

Manufacturer's Campaign Identification Number
unavailable

NHTSA Recall Number
unavailable

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at brunnert@mbusa.com.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure



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TO: Mercedes-Benz Dealer Principals, General Managers, Sales Managers, Service Managers, Parts Managers	FROM: Thomas Brunner, Department Manager, Vehicle Compliance and Analysis, Engineering Services
RE: Recall Campaign- Front Passenger Seat Occupant Classification System. Model 172 (SLK). Model Year 2013	DATE: June 4, 2013

IMPORTANT NEW RECALL INFORMATION

On Monday, June 3, 2013 the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) was notified that Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC (MBUSA) will conduct a voluntary Recall Campaign on approximately 71 Model Year 2013 SLK-Class (172) vehicles with regard to the front passenger seat occupant classification system. This notification will be posted on the NHTSA website and may generate some customer questions.

Background

The potentially affected Mercedes-Benz SLK-Class vehicles are equipped with an Occupant Classification System (OCS). The OCS detects whether a child seat is installed, or a person is sitting on the passenger seat. When the OCS detects a child seat, the front passenger airbag is automatically deactivated. On certain SLK-Class vehicles the passenger seat OCS may not function properly due to an isolated quality deviation at the supplier. In the worst case, there is a risk that the OCS erroneously classifies a very light person as a child seat, which would result in a brief temporary deactivation of the passenger airbag. In this case the "PASSENGER AIR BAG OFF" indicator lamp in the center console of the vehicle would be illuminated. This might result in an increased risk of injury in the event of a crash during the limited period of inactivation.

MBUSA therefore has initiated a voluntary recall of all potentially affected vehicles described above. The recall will be conducted to replace the front passenger seat base in the subject vehicles.

Given this notice, it is a violation of Federal law for a dealer to deliver any new or used Model Year 2013 SLK-Class (172) produced between October 9, 2012 and November 20, 2012 covered by this notification in dealer inventory, for sale or lease, until the vehicle has been repaired. See attached VIN file and contact your AOM if your dealership has any affected vehicles.

Other than verifying if any of the vehicles are in your inventory, no action is required at this time until this Recall Campaign is launched in July, 2013. This Recall Campaign affects approximately 71 vehicles in the U.S.

Owner notifications will be sent approximately one week after recall launch.

While we regret any inconvenience this may cause, MBUSA is determined to maintain a high level of vehicle quality and customer satisfaction.

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



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