

**Part 573 Safety Recall Report****15V-657****Manufacturer Name :** Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC.**Submission Date :** OCT 09,2015**NHTSA Recall No. :** 15V-657**Manufacturer Recall No. :** NR**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC.

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Montvale NJ 07645-0350

Company phone : 201-573-5339

**Population :**

Number of potentially involved : 2,580

Estimated percentage with defect : 1

**Vehicle Information :**

Vehicle : 2015-2015 Mercedes-Benz S550 4Matic Coupe

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : 2-DOOR

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : 217.385 XJ8F 1679 vehicles

Production Dates : JAN 27, 2014 - APR 02, 2015

**VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range**

Begin : NR

End : NR

 Not sequential VINs

Vehicle : 2015-2015 Mercedes-Benz S-Class Coupe AMG S63 4Matic

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : 2-DOOR

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : 217.378 XJ&amp;J 792 vehicles

Production Dates : JAN 27, 2014 - APR 02, 2015

**VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range**

Begin : NR

End : NR

 Not sequential VINs

Vehicle : 2015-2015 Mercedes-Benz S-Class Coupe AMG S65

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : 2-DOOR

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : 217.379 XJ7K 109 vehicles

Production Dates : JAN 27, 2014 - APR 02, 2015

**VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range**

Begin : NR

End : NR

 Not sequential VINs**Description of Noncompliance :**

Description of the Noncompliance : DAG has determined that on certain S-Class Coupe vehicles (217 platform) produced between January 27, 2014 and April 02, 2015, the front seatbelts may have been installed in the wrong position (interchanged left/right sides).

In the event the front seatbelts are installed in the wrong position, the installation angle is incorrect and will affect the locking behavior of the seatbelts.

Additionally, the child seat restraint function for the passenger seat would not be available for this situation.

FMVSS 1 : 208 - Occupant crash protection

FMVSS 2 : 209 - Seat belt assemblies

Description of the Safety Risk : The seatbelts fail to meet the performance requirements of FMVSS 208 (S7.1.1.5) and FMVSS 209(S4.3(j))

Description of the Cause : The front seatbelts may have been interchanged during installation due to a worker error in the vehicle assembly plant.

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : NR

**Supplier Identification :****Component Manufacturer**

Name : NR

Address : NR

NR

Country : NR

**Chronology :**

At the end of March 2015, a vehicle was discovered during an internal quality check in DAG's production plant in which the front seatbelts were installed in the wrong position (left/right interchanged).

In April 2015, internal investigations into the technical possibility of interchanging the mounting of the front seatbelts were performed. It was determined that the front seatbelts geometrically fit on both sides of the vehicle, that both seatbelts are delivered in one box to the assembly line and both are mounted in the same assembly station by one worker. Therefore, an interchanged mounting was possible in the event of a worker error.

From May 2015 until mid of August 2015, analyses were carried out to determine the potential consequences of interchanged seatbelts to the restraint functions of the seatbelts.

In September 2015, an analysis was performed to evaluate the regulatory requirements in the USA and the rest of the world for the technical circumstances.

At the beginning of October 2015, DAG determined that a non-compliance with FMVSS 208 (S7.1.1.5) and FMVSS 209(S4.3(j)) exists in the affected vehicle population and decided to recall the potentially affected vehicles.

**Description of Remedy :**

Description of Remedy Program : An authorized Mercedes-Benz dealer will check the installation position of the front seatbelts on the potentially affected vehicles and correct the installation position, if necessary. MBUSA does not plan to provide notice about pre-notice reimbursement to owners because all involved MY2015 vehicles remain covered under the new vehicle warranty.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : NR

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : The implementation of additional quality checks in the production process of the vehicles has ensured that this issue can no longer occur in these vehicles produced starting June 8, 2015 onwards.

**Recall Schedule :**

Description of Recall Schedule : Dealers will be informed of the new recall to address the potentially affected VINs the end of October, 2015. Owner notifications will occur one week after recall launch, estimated end of October 2015.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : NR - NR

Planned Owner Notification Date : NR - NR

\* NR - Not Reported