OMB Control No.: 2127-0004

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

16V-081

Manufacturer Name : Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC.

Submission Date: FEB 09, 2016 NHTSA Recall No.: 16V-081 Manufacturer Recall No.: NR



Manufacturer Information:

Manufacturer Name : Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC.

Address: One Mercedes Dr, PO Box 350

Montvale NJ 07645-0350 Company phone : 1-800-367-6372

Population:

Number of potentially involved: 711,266 Estimated percentage with defect: 0

Vehicle Information:

Vehicle: 2009-2010 Mercedes-Benz ML Class ML320 BlueTec 4Matic

Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : SUV

Power Train: DIESEL

Descriptive Information: 251.125 BB25 5767 vehicles

 $Production\ Dates: JAN\ 23,\ 2008\ - JUN\ 18,\ 2010$

VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range

Vehicle: 2011-2011 Mercedes-Benz R-Class R350 BlueTec 4Matic

Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : SUV Power Train : DIESEL

Descriptive Information: 251.125 BF25 3343 vehicles

Production Dates: JUN 15, 2010 - AUG 17, 2011

VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range

Vehicle: 2009-2011 Mercedes-Benz ML-Class ML350

Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : SUV Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information: 164.156 BB56 17555 vehicles

Production Dates: JUN 10, 2008 - JUL 19, 2011

Begin: NR

☐ Not sequential VINs

End: NR

Power Train : GAS Descriptive Information : 171.4 Production Dates : OCT 27, 200		
VIN (Vehicle Identification N	umber) Range	
Begin : NR	End : NR	☐ Not sequential VINs
Vehicle: 2007-2008 Mercedes Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: 2-DOOR Power Train: GAS Descriptive Information: 171.4 Production Dates: OCT 31, 200	S 156 WK56 3563 vehicles	
VIN (Vehicle Identification N	umber) Range	
Begin: NR	End : NR	☐ Not sequential VINs
Vehicle: 2007-2008 Mercedes Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: 2-DOOR Power Train: GAS Descriptive Information: 171.4 Production Dates: MAR 14, 200	S 173 WK73 1120 vehicles	
VIN (Vehicle Identification N	umber) Range	
Begin: NR	End : NR	☐ Not sequential VINs
Vehicle: 2011-2014 Mercedes Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: 2-DOOR Power Train: GAS Descriptive Information: 197.3 Production Dates: DEC 10, 200	377 RJ7H 1671 vehicles	
VIN (Vehicle Identification N	umber) Range	
Begin: NR	End: NR	☐ Not sequential VINs
Vehicle: 2012-2012 Mercedes Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: 2-DOOR Power Train: GAS Descriptive Information: 197.4 Production Dates: MAR 29, 202	177 RK7H 637 vehicles	

VIN (Vehicle Identification Num	aber) Range	
Begin: NR	End: NR	☐ Not sequential VINs
Vehicle: 2013-2014 Mercedes-Be Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: 2-DOOR Power Train: GAS Descriptive Information: 197.378 Production Dates: SEP 19, 2012 -	RJ7J 195 vehicles	
VIN (Vehicle Identification Num	aber) Range	
Begin : NR	End: NR	☐ Not sequential VINs
Vehicle: 2013-2014 Mercedes-Be Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: 2-DOOR Power Train: GAS Descriptive Information: 197.478 Production Dates: OCT 23, 2012 -		
VIN (Vehicle Identification Num	aber) Range	
Begin : NR	End: NR	☐ Not sequential VINs
Vehicle: 2005-2005 Mercedes-Be Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: 4-DOOR Power Train: GAS Descriptive Information: 203.040 Production Dates: NOV 18, 2003	RF40 42680 vehicles	
VIN (Vehicle Identification Num	aber) Range	
Begin : NR	End: NR	☐ Not sequential VINs
Vehicle: 2006-2007 Mercedes-Be Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: 4-DOOR Power Train: GAS Descriptive Information: 203.052 Production Dates: FEB 04, 2005 -	RF52 68489 vehicles	
VIN (Vehicle Identification Num	iber) Range	
Begin : NR	End: NR	☐ Not sequential VINs

Descriptive Information: 207.356 KJ5G 11698 vehicles

Production Dates: DEC 16, 2008 - MAY 18, 2011

VIN (Vehicle Identification Number	r) Range	
Begin : NR	End: NR	☐ Not sequential VINs
Vehicle: 2010-2011 Mercedes-Benz Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: 2-DOOR Power Train: GAS Descriptive Information: 207.372 KJ Production Dates: DEC 17, 2008 -JUN	7C 3926 vehicles	
VIN (Vehicle Identification Number	r) Range	
Begin: NR	End: NR	☐ Not sequential VINs
Vehicle: 2011-2011 Mercedes-Benz Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: 2-DOOR Power Train: GAS Descriptive Information: 207.456 KK Production Dates: NOV 12, 2009 - MA	35G 7200 vehicles	
VIN (Vehicle Identification Number	r) Range	
Begin : NR	End: NR	☐ Not sequential VINs
Vehicle: 2011-2011 Mercedes-Benz Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: 2-DOOR Power Train: GAS Descriptive Information: 207.472 KI Production Dates: NOV 04, 2009 - MA	K7C 2887 vehicles	
VIN (Vehicle Identification Number	·) Range	
Begin: NR	End: NR	☐ Not sequential VINs
Vehicle: 2010-2011 Mercedes-Benz Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: 4-DOOR Power Train: GAS Descriptive Information: 212.056 HF Production Dates: NOV 06, 2008 - SER	75G 14657 vehicles	
VIN (Vehicle Identification Number	r) Range	
Begin : NR	End: NR	☐ Not sequential VINs

Vehicle: 2010-2011 Mercedes-Ber Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: 4-DOOR Power Train: GAS Descriptive Information: 212.072 Production Dates: DEC 10, 2008 - S	HF7C 4166 vehicles	
VIN (Vehicle Identification Numb	er) Range	
Begin: NR	End: NR	☐ Not sequential VINs
Vehicle: 2010-2011 Mercedes-Ber Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: 4-DOOR Power Train: GAS Descriptive Information: 212.077 Production Dates: JUL 09, 2009 - Al	HF7H 442 vehicles	
VIN (Vehicle Identification Numb	er) Range	
Begin: NR	End: NR	☐ Not sequential VINs
Vehicle: 2010-2011 Mercedes-Ber Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: 4-DOOR Power Train: GAS Descriptive Information: 212.087 Production Dates: JUN 08, 2009 - SI	HF8H 9113 vehicles	
VIN (Vehicle Identification Numb	oer) Range	
Begin: NR	End: NR	☐ Not sequential VINs
Vehicle: 2010-2011 Mercedes-Ber Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: 4-DOOR Power Train: GAS Descriptive Information: 212.090 D Production Dates: MAR 30, 2009 - S	HF9A 2831 vehicles	
VIN (Vehicle Identification Numb		
		Mot gogyantial VIN-
Begin : NR	End : NR	☐ Not sequential VINs
Vehicle: 2010-2011 Mercedes-Ber Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: STATIONWAGON	nz E-Class E350 4Matic	

Power Train : GAS Descriptive Information : 212.287 Production Dates : OCT 05, 2009 - S		
VIN (Vehicle Identification Numb	oer) Range	
Begin : NR	End: NR	☐ Not sequential VINs
Vehicle: 2009-2010 Mercedes-Ber Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: SUV Power Train: DIESEL Descriptive Information: 251.125 Production Dates: JAN 26, 2008 - JU	CB25 661 vehicles	
VIN (Vehicle Identification Numb	oer) Range	
Begin: NR	End: NR	☐ Not sequential VINs
Vehicle: 2012-2012 Mercedes-Ber Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: SUV Power Train: GAS Descriptive Information: 251.157 Production Dates: MAY 12, 2011	CB5H 1420 vehicles	
VIN (Vehicle Identification Numb	oer) Range	
Begin : NR	End: NR	☐ Not sequential VINs
Vehicle: 2009-2011 Mercedes-Ber Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: SUV Power Train: GAS Descriptive Information: 251.156 Production Dates: FEB 06, 2008 - J	CB65 7398 vehicles	
VIN (Vehicle Identification Numb	oer) Range	
Begin: NR	End : NR	☐ Not sequential VINs
Vehicle: 2011-2012 Mercedes-Ber Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: SUV Power Train: DIESEL Descriptive Information: 251.125 Production Dates: MAR 23, 2010 - 3	CB2F 948 vehicles	

VIN (Vehicle Identification Nur	nber) Range	
Begin : NR	End: NR	☐ Not sequential VINs
Vehicle: 2006-2007 Chrysler Cr Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: 2-DOOR Power Train: GAS Descriptive Information: Crossfit Production Dates: JUN 01, 2005	re models 5283 vehicles	
VIN (Vehicle Identification Nur	nber) Range	
Begin : NR	End: NR	☐ Not sequential VINs

Description of Defect:

Description of the Defect: Certain Mercedes-Benz vehicles and one FCA model are equipped with driver-side front airbags provided by the supplier TK Holdings Inc. ("Takata"). On January 25, 2016 Takata filed a Defect Information Report with NHTSA announcing a potential defect in some of the subject inflators. Based upon Takata's information to date, "Takata is aware of four test ruptures in ballistic tests of non-desiccated PSDI-5 inflators. Takata is not aware of any field incidents in which a PSDI-5 inflator has ruptured, either desiccated or non-desiccated. Takata is taking this action in an abundance of caution, to address all of the subject non-desiccated PSDI-5 air bag inflators, due to the similarities of design and manufacturing characteristics for this type of inflator used in the U.S. market."

> DAG is not aware of any field incidents with the subject Takata PSDI-5 inflators. However, based on the information above and in an abundance of caution, DAG will conduct a voluntary recall of the vehicles equipped with subject Takata PSDI-5 inflators in the United States as identified by Takata in the Defect Information Report.

FMVSS 1:NR FMVSS 2:NR

Description of the Safety Risk: According to Takata, in the event of an inflator rupture, metal fragments could pass through the air bag cushion material, which may result in injury or death to vehicle occupants.

Description of the Cause: According to Takata, "the propellant tablets in some of the subject inflators may experience an alteration over time, which could potentially lead to over-aggressive combustion in the event of an air bag deployment. Depending on the circumstances. this potential condition could create excessive internal pressure when the air bag is deployed, which could result in the body of the inflator rupturing upon deployment. Based upon Takata's investigation to date, the potential for such ruptures may occur in some of the subject inflators after several years of exposure to persistent conditions of high absolute humidity. The potential for rupture may also be influenced by other factors, including manufacturing variability."

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur: NR

Supplier Identification:

Component Manufacturer

Name : TK Holdings Address : Bahnweg 1

Aschaffenburg FOREIGN STATES 63743

Country: Germany

Chronology:

On October 14, 2015, Daimler submitted the response to a NHTSA inquiry, including the number of all US-vehicles equipped with Takata PSDI-5 inflators. NHTSA released a press statement on January 22, 2016, regarding the recall of approximately 5 million US-vehicles of various manufacturers, including Mercedes-Benz. On January 26, 2016, Takata submitted a Defect Information Report to NHTSA for their PSDI-5-inflators. DAG met with NHTSA in Washington D.C. on February 3, 2016 to discuss the Takata Defect Information Report and DAG's field experience. Daimler determined on February 8, 2016 to recall all vehicles with subject Takata PSDI-5 inflators in the US as identified by Takata. This step is taken by DAG as a reaction to Takata's filing of the Defect Information Report and in an abundance of caution.

Description of Remedy:

Description of Remedy Program : Daimler AG will conduct a voluntary recall to replace the driver-side front

airbag modules in the potentially affected Mercedes-Benz vehicles, and will work with Fiat Chrysler Automobiles (FCA) to implement a recall for

affected Crossfire vehicles.

MBUSA will provide notice about pre-notice reimbursement to owners in

the customer letter.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : NR

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : NR

Recall Schedule:

Description of Recall Schedule : Dealers will be notified of the pending voluntary recall campaign in February

2016. A copy of all communications will be provided when available.

Planned Dealer Notification Date: NR - NR

Planned Owner Notification Date: NR - NR

* NR - Not Reported