#### OMB Control No.: 2127-0004

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

## 22V-112

Manufacturer Name: Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC

**Submission Date:** SEP 29, 2022 **NHTSA Recall No.:** 22V-112 **Manufacturer Recall No.:** 2022030019



#### **Manufacturer Information:**

Manufacturer Name: Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC

Address: 13470 International Parkway

Jacksonville FL 32218

Company phone: 1-877-496-3691

## **Population:**

Number of potentially involved: 24 Estimated percentage with defect: 100 %

#### **Vehicle Information:**

Vehicle 1: 2022-2022 Mercedes-Benz EQS 450

Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style: 4-DOOR

Power Train: HYBRID ELECTRIC

Descriptive Information: Mercedes-Benz 2022 EQS 450 3 Vehicles The recall population was determined

through production records. Vehicles outside of the recall population have grounding

connections bolted according to current production specifications.

Production Dates: MAY 26, 2021 - DEC 23, 2021

VIN Range 1 : Begin : NR End : NR Not sequential

Vehicle 2: 2022-2022 Mercedes-Benz Mercedes-AMG EQS 53 4Matic+

Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style: 4-DOOR

Power Train: HYBRID ELECTRIC

Descriptive Information: Mercedes-Benz 2022 Mercedes-AMG EQS 53 4Matic+ 1 Vehicle The recall population

was determined through production records. Vehicles outside of the recall population

have grounding connections bolted according to current production specifications.

Production Dates: MAY 26, 2021 - DEC 23, 2021

Vehicle 3: 2022-2022 Mercedes-Benz EQS 580 4Matic Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: 4-DOOR Power Train: HYBRID ELECTRIC Descriptive Information: Mercedes-Benz 2022 EQS 580 4Matic 4 Vehicles The recall population was determined through production records. Vehicles outside of the recall population have grounding connections bolted according to current production specifications. Production Dates: MAY 26, 2021 - DEC 23, 2021 VIN Range 1 : Begin : NR End: NR Not sequential Vehicle 4: 2022-2022 Mercedes-Benz EQS 450+ Vehicle Type: LIGHT VEHICLES Body Style: 4-DOOR Power Train: HYBRID ELECTRIC

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### **Description of Defect:**

Description of the Defect: Mercedes-Benz AG ("MBAG"), the manufacturer of Mercedes-Benz vehicles,

Descriptive Information: Mercedes-Benz 2022 EQS 450+ 16 Vehicles The recall population was determined

has determined that on certain Model Year ("MY") 2022 EQS (297 platform) vehicles, a ground connection on the front-left longitudinal member, as well as

through production records. Vehicles outside of the recall population have grounding

the potential equalization for the electric auxiliary heater in the motor compartment, might not have been secured according to current production

specifications.

FMVSS 1: NR FMVSS 2: NR

Description of the Safety Risk: An incorrectly bolted ground connection could result in an increased

electrical resistance at the connection. The combination of potentially high electrical currents flowing through this connection and an increased electrical resistance could increase the risk of fire. In the event of an interruption with this ground connection, the left headlamp might not function, among other

potential components.

Description of the Cause: Due to a deviation in the production process, the bolting of the ground

connection at the front-left longitudinal carrier as well as the potential

equalization for the electric auxiliary heater in the motor compartment might

not meet current production specifications.

Identification of Any Warning The driver will not receive a warning due to the nature of the failure

that can Occur: mechanism.

## **Involved Components:**

Component Name 1: Ground Connection W52/8

Component Description: Nut and bolt Component Part Number: A0009911403

**Component Name 2: Potential Equalization** 

Component Description: Nut and bolt Component Part Number: A0009916703

## **Supplier Identification:**

#### **Component Manufacturer**

Name: MBAG

Address: NR

**Foreign States** 

Country: Germany

#### **Chronology:**

In October 2021, MBAG launched initial investigations based on a finding in the production plant indicating that a ground connection and a potential equalization might not have been secured properly.

In November 2021, two more reports on internal vehicles within the distribution process were detected. Accordingly, MBAG initiated a plant rework campaign to check and, if necessary, rework vehicles in this regard. In parallel, MBAG conducted analyses to identify potentially affected vehicles in the field and potential consequences.

In general, neither field complaints nor other reports associated with the described issue above were received. However, on February 18, 2022, MBAG determined that a potential safety risk could not be completely ruled out and decided to conduct a recall.

## **Description of Remedy:**

Description of Remedy Program: An authorized Mercedes-Benz dealer will check the ground connection and

the potential equalization on the affected vehicles and, if necessary, tighten

them according to specifications.

Pursuant to 49 C.F.R. § 577.11(e), MBUSA does not plan to provide notice about pre-notice reimbursement to owners since none of the involved vehicles would have been previously subject to the condition described

and all remain covered under the new vehicle warranty.

How Remedy Component Differs Grounding connections bolted according to current production

from Recalled Component: specifications.

Nut and bolt (Ground Connection W52/8)

A0009911403

Nut and bolt (Potential Equalization)

A0009916703

Identify How/When Recall Condition A change in the production procedure in the vehicle plant ensures that this

was Corrected in Production: issue can no longer occur from December 24, 2021 onwards.

### **Recall Schedule:**

Description of Recall Schedule: Dealers were notified of the pending voluntary recall campaign on March

4, 2022. Owners were notified of the voluntary recall campaign on April 15, 2022. A copy of all communications will be provided when available

Planned Dealer Notification Date: MAR 04, 2022 - NR Planned Owner Notification Date: APR 15, 2022 - NR

\* NR - Not Reported