

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

February 4, 2020

Mr. Greg Gunther Department Manager VCA Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC. 13470 International Parkway Jacksonville, FL 32218 NEF-150JK 20V-048

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

**Subject:** Oil Feed Line to Turbocharger May Leak

Dear Mr. Gunther:

This letter serves to acknowledge Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC.'s notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) listed below. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

#### Makes/Models/Model Years:

MERCEDES BENZ/AMG GT 63 S/2019 MERCEDES BENZ/E63 AMG/2018-2019 MERCEDES BENZ/E63S AMG/2018-2019 MERCEDES BENZ/G63 AMG/2019 MERCEDES BENZ/S63 AMG/2018-2019 MERCEDES-BENZ/AMG GT 63/2019

Mfr's Report Date: January 27, 2020

NHTSA Campaign Number: 20V-048

## **Components:**

ENGINE AND ENGINE COOLING: ENGINE: GASOLINE: TURBO-CHARGER

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 2,518

# **Problem Description:**

Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC. (MBUSA) is recalling certain 2018-2019 E63 AMG 4MATIC, E63S AMG 4MATIC Wagon, S63 AMG Cabrio 4MATIC, S63 AMG Coupe 4MATIC, and S63 AMG 4MATIC and 2019 G63 AMG 4MATIC, AMG GT63 4MATIC, AMG GT63S 4MATIC vehicles equipped with 4.0L 8-cylinder gasoline turbocharged engines. The oil feed line to the turbocharger may leak.

## **Consequence:**

An oil leak in the presence of an ignition source such as hot engine or exhaust components can increase the risk of a fire.

#### Remedy

MBUSA will notify owners, and dealers will replace the oil feed line to the turbocharger, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin March 27, 2020. Owners may contact MBUSA customer service at 1-800-367-6372.



#### **Notes:**

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.safercar.gov.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

Please be reminded that under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a)(3), it is illegal for a manufacturer, to sell, offer for sale, import, or introduce or deliver into interstate commerce, a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment that contains a safety defect once the manufacturer has notified NHTSA about that safety defect. This prohibition does not apply once the motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment has been remedied according to the manufacturer's instructions.

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on, or before, 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Jennifer Kruger who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-2461, or by email at jennifer.kruger@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Joshua Neff

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigations

Enforcement

