## News Channel Update | Vans Customer Service and Parts

| TO: Mercedes-Benz Principals, Freightliner<br>Principals, General Managers, Sales Managers,<br>Service Managers, Parts Managers | FROM: Anthony Washington, Department Manager,<br>Regulations and Certifications |
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| <b>Re: Initial Recall Campaign Notification</b><br>Models 907 (Sprinter)<br>Model Years 2019-2020<br>Brake Pedal Bearing Block  | DATE: March, 2021   |

## **IMPORTANT RECALL CAMPAIGN INFORMATION**

Please see the attached documents related to the campaign listed above

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| Campaign No. :   | Campaign  | Desc. :  | Droke Dedel Deering Dieek |
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| 2021030018   | PDGBREE   | BOL  | Brake Pedal Bearing Block |
| This is to notify you of an upcoming <b>Recall Campaign</b> concerning the brake pedal bearing block on approximately <b>56,534</b> MY19-20 Mercedes-Benz and Freightliner Sprinter vans. The recall campaign will be visible on the <u>www.safercar.gov</u> website and may generate questions from customers. All affected VINs will be flagged "PENDING" in VMI and <u>cannot be sold</u> .   |   |  |                           |
| Background   |   |  |                           |
| Issue Mercedes-Benz AG (MBAG) the manufacturer of Mercedes-Benz and Freightliner vans, has determined that on certain platform 907 (VS30) Sprinter vehicles, the retaining washer on the bolt that connects the brake pedal to its bearing block could come loose. If the retaining washer comes loose, over time it could detach from the bolt, and in the worst case and with ongoing use of the brake pedal, the bolt may work its way out of the bearing block on one side. If this occurs, the brake lamp switch may become permanently activated even when the brake pedal is not pressed. If the brake lamps are permanently illuminated, it would not be possible for following traffic to determine the braking intention of the vehicle, which could increase the risk of a crash. |   |  |                           |
| What We're Doing   | We're Doing DVUSA will conduct a voluntary recall campaign. Mercedes-Benz or Freightliner customers affected by this measure will be informed about the recall and the necessary next steps in writing and will receive notice through the interim customer notification. |  |                           |
| Parts  | Parts are still being verified.<br>An additional notification will be sent when parts are available for repair.   |  |                           |
|  |   | Veł  | nicles Affected           |
| Vehicle Model Year(s)  | 2019-2020   |  |                           |
| Vehicle Model (s)  | Sprinter(907)   |  |                           |
| Vehicle Populations  |   |  |                           |
| Total Recall   | 56,534  |  |                           |
| Dealer Inventory 604   |   |  |                           |
| Given this notice, it is <u>a violation of Federal Law</u> for a dealer to sell or lease any <u>new</u> Sprinter vehicles in dealer inventory covered by this notification until the vehicle has been repaired.  |   |  |                           |
| Loaner and demonstrator vehicles may continue to be driven, but must not be retailed until repaired.<br>Additionally, given this notice, it is <u>a violation of Federal Law f</u> or rental companies to rent new Sprinter vehicles covered by this<br>notification until the vehicle has been repaired.  |   |  |                           |
| Next Steps/Notes   |   |  |                           |
| Customer Notification Timeline An owner notification letter will be mailed in April 2021.  |   | ication letter will be mailed in April 2021.                       |                           |
| AOMS/SOMS AOMs – This recall may generate questions from your dealers. Please forward notice to your dealers ASAP.   |   |  |                           |
| Rental Fleet PartnersThis recall may affect vehicles in your fleet. Please contact your respective MBU<br>fleet representative for further information and next steps. For repairs, please<br>contact your preferred MBUSA dealer.   |   | tative for further information and next steps. For repairs, please |                           |
| While we regret any inconvenience this may cause, we are determined to maintain a high level of vehicle quality and customer satisfaction.   |   |  |                           |

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