

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

August 2, 2021

Mr. Greg Gunther
Department Manager VCA
Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC
13470 International Parkway

NEF-107JK
21V-564

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

Subject: Fuel Tank Not Welded Properly

Dear Mr. Gunther:

Jacksonville, FL 32218

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/G550/2019

Mfr's Report Date: July 23, 2021

NHTSA Campaign Number: 21V-564

Components:

FUEL SYSTEM, GASOLINE:STORAGE:TANK ASSEMBLY

Potential Number of Units Affected: 3

Problem Description:

Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC (MBUSA) is recalling certain 2019 G550 vehicles. The fuel tank may not have been welded properly during manufacturing, which could result in a fuel leak.

Consequence:

A fuel leak in the presence of an ignition source can increase the risk of fire.

Remedy

Dealers will replace the fuel tank, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed September 21, 2021. 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.nhtsa.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).

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.

Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC's contact for this recall will be Jennifer Kruger who may be reached by email at jennifer.kruger@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Alex Ansley

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigation

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