

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

August 20, 2021

Mr. Greg Gunther Department Manager VCA Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC 13470 International Parkway Jacksonville, FL 32218 NEF-107JK 21V-639

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

Subject: Air Bag Control Unit Software Malfunction

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/GLB250/2020

Mfr's Report Date: August 13, 2021

NHTSA Campaign Number: 21V-639

**Components:** 

AIR BAGS: AIR BAG/RESTRAINT CONTROL MODULE:SOFTWARE

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 66

## **Problem Description:**

Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC. (MBUSA) is recalling certain 2020 GLB250 vehicles. In the event of a crash, the air bag control unit software may not activate the front seat belts and front passenger air bag properly.

# **Consequence:**

Air bags and seat belts that do not function properly can increase the risk of injury in a crash.

### Remedy

Dealers will update the air bag control unit software, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed October 12, 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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