

December 21, 2022

Mr. Greg Gunther Department Manager VCA Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC 13470 International Parkway Jacksonville, FL 32218

Subject: Center Console May Open in a Crash/FMVSS 201

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 63/2019 MERCEDES-BENZ/AMG GT53/2019

Mfr's Report Date: December 16, 2022

NHTSA Campaign Number: 22V-938

Components: LATCHES/LOCKS/LINKAGES STRUCTURE:CRITICAL FASTENERS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 11

Problem Description:

Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC (MBUSA) is recalling certain 2019 AMG GT53 and AMG GT 63 vehicles. In certain types of crash events, the center console may unlatch, allowing the storage compartment to open. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard number 201, "Occupant Protection in Interior Impact."

Consequence:

A center console that opens during a crash can allow unsecured cargo to eject into the cabin, increasing the risk of injury.

Remedy:

Dealers will replace the front center console storage compartment, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed February 14, 2023. 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:



1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

> NEF-107ES 22V-938

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).

Under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a), it is illegal for anyone, including a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or retailer to sell an item of equipment or vehicle that fails to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of eight 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 Emily C. Smith who may be reached by email at emily.c.smith@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

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Alex Ansley Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigation Enforcement

