



U.S. Department of Transportation
**National Highway Traffic Safety
Administration**

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Mr. Julian Soell
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NVS-215SM
14V-386

Subject: Air Bag may not be Properly Assembled

Dear Mr. Soell:

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/SL550/2014
MERCEDES BENZ/SL63/2014
MERCEDES BENZ/SL65/2014
MERCEDES BENZ/SLK250/2014
MERCEDES BENZ/SLK350/2014
MERCEDES BENZ/SLK55/2014

Mfr's Report Date: July 1, 2014

NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V-386

Components:

AIR BAGS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 311

Problem Description:

Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC (Mercedes-Benz) is recalling certain model year 2014 SLK 250, SLK 350, SLK 55 AMG, SL 550, SL 63 AMG, and SL 65 AMG vehicles manufactured March 19, 2014, through May 5, 2014. Due to an air bag assembly error, the front passenger air bag may not deploy properly.

Consequence:

In the event of a crash necessitating front passenger air bag deployment, the air bag may not properly deploy, increasing the risk of injury to the front passenger seat occupant.

Remedy:

Mercedes-Benz will notify owners, and dealers will replace the front passenger air bag, free of charge. Parts for the remedy are not currently available. Mercedes-Benz will send an interim letter to owners in July 2014. A second owner letter will be mailed when parts are available. Owners may contact Mercedes-Benz at 1-800-367-6372. Note: Until the vehicle has been remedied, owners are advised that passengers or other items should not be placed in the passenger seat.

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.

We have received Mercedes-Benz's proposed interim owner notification letter and it is currently under review. You will be notified of any changes or concerns once our review is complete.

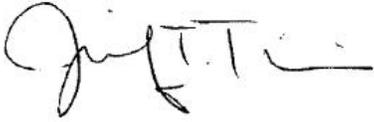
Please be reminded of the following requirements:

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 final 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 Sarah McShane who may be reached by phone at 202-366-7401, or by email at sarah.mcshane@dot.gov or through the office email at rmd.odi@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



Jennifer Timian
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigations
Enforcement