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Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC and DaimlerChrysler AG Settlement Fact Sheet

Background: Manufacturers of new motor vehicles must file an emission defect information report (EDIR) with EPA not more than 15 working days after an emission-related defect is found to affect 25 vehicles or engines of the same model year. These defect reporting requirements are a critical part of EPA's program to ensure that vehicles on the road comply with the Clean Air Act's emissions standards.

Violation: Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC and DaimlerChrysler AG (Mercedes) failed to timely file EDIRs relating to eight emission-related defects in numerous 1998 to 2006 model vehicles.

Civil Penalty: \$1.2 million

Remediation and Injunctive Relief:

- Mercedes is implementing the following voluntary recalls and extended warranties for emission-related defects at issue in this case:
 - Voluntary recall of about 79,000 Mercedes M-Class models to inspect and replace catalytic converters that are determined to be defective;
 - Voluntary recall of about 29,000 Mercedes AMG models to update software and replace secondary relay in air pumps;
 - Extended emissions warranty for catalytic converters in about 20,000 S and CL Class models from 8 years or 80,000 miles to 10 years, unlimited miles.
- Estimated Cost of voluntary recalls and extended emissions warranty: \$59 million.
- Estimated environmental benefit of voluntary recalls:
 - 55 tons NOx
 - 64 tons NMHC
 - 446 tons CO
- The Agreement also requires Mercedes to implement a Supplemental Emission-Related Monitoring, Investigation and Reporting Protocol, at an estimated cost of \$1 million per year.

Affected Vehicles:

- The following vehicles have been recalled to inspect and replace, if necessary, the catalytic converter:

1999-2001 Mercedes Benz ML 320 (VIN range A036519-A260405)

1999 -2001 Mercedes Benz ML 430 (VIN Range A057639-A260575)

- The following vehicles have been recalled to update the software and replace the secondary relay in air pumps:

2002-2004 Mercedes Benz SLK 32 AMG (VIN Range 227774-310327)

2002-2004 Mercedes Benz C32 AMG (VIN Range 131482-535283)

2003-2006 Mercedes Benz E 55 AMG Sedan (VIN Range 136286-917813)

2005-2006 Mercedes Benz E 55 AMG Wagon (VIN Range 715663-913573)

2003-2006 Mercedes Benz CL 55 AMG (VIN Range 030004-047689)

2003-2006 Mercedes Benz S 55 AMG (VIN Range 306185-484676)

2003-2006 Mercedes Benz SL 55 AMG (VIN Range 009541-116751)

2005 Mercedes Benz G55 AMG (VIN Range 146910-164172)

2005-2006 Mercedes Benz SLR (VIN Range 000018-001032)

2006 Mercedes Benz CLS 55 AMG (VIN Range 007370-061871)

- The following vehicles will have warranties for their catalytic converters extended to 10 years, unlimited mileage:

2000 Mercedes Benz CL 500 (FIN Range WDB2153751A000174 - WDB2153751A001519)

2000 Mercedes Benz S 430 (FIN Range WDB2200701A001280 - WDB2200701A121670)

2000 Mercedes Benz S 430 (FIN Range WDB2201701A000335 - WDB2201701A115308)

2000 Mercedes Benz S 500 (FIN Range WDB2201751A000346 - WDB2201751A082651)