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Attention: VIN Coordinator

Subject: Part 565.5 (d), VIN Reporting Requirements
Update to Submission of August 2, 1989

As of September 18, the "series" designation of several Mercedes-Benz Model Year 1990 vehicles has been changed, making obsolete our VIN deciphering submission of August 2, 1989. Enclosed please find an updated list of VIN deciphering information. The list provided previously should be discarded.

Should you require further information, please contact G. Ambrozaitis (201) 573-2622 in our Safety Engineering Department.

Sincerely,

Attachments



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Mercedes-Benz of North America,
Model Year 1990: Additional VIN Coding

Attributes of Vehicles specified in Table I (Part 565):

First 4 Characters of Second VIN-Section	Line	Series	Body Type	Engine Type
EA51	124	300CE	Coupe	MB 3 Liter, In-Line 6 Cyl., Gasoline, 217 Net bhp
ED90	124	300TE 4-Matic	Station Wagon	MB 3 Liter, In-Line 6 Cyl., Gasoline, 177 Net bhp
ED30	124	300E 4-Matic	4-door Sedan	MB 3 Liter, In-Line 6 Cyl., Gasoline, 177 Net bhp
EB28	124	300D 2.5 Turbo	4-door Sedan	MB 2.5 Liter, In-line 5 Cyl., Diesel, 121 Net bhp
EA26	124	300E 2.6	4-door Sedan	MB 2.6 Liter, In-line 6 Cyl., Gasoline, 158 Net bhp
CB34	126	350SD Turbo	4-door Sedan	MB 3.5 Liter, In-Line 6 Cyl., Diesel, 134 Net bhp
CB35	126	350 SDL Turbo	4-door Sedan	MB 3.5 Liter, In-Line 6 Cyl., Diesel, 134 Net bhp
FA61	129	300 SL	2-door Convertible	MB 3 Liter, In-Line 6 Cyl., Gasoline, 228 Net bhp
FA66	129	500 SL	2-door Convertible	MB 5 Liter, V-Type 8 Cyl., Gasoline, 322 Net bhp

Restraint System Type:

Fifth Character of Second VIN-Section	Driver	Front Passenger	Outboard Rear	Center Rear
D (all models)	Type-2 Belt with ETR* Air Bag Knee Bolster	Type-2 Belt with ETR*	Type-2 Belts**	Lap Belt**
E (all models)	Type-2 Belt with ETR* Air Bag Knee Bolster	Type-2 Belt with ETR* Air Bag Knee Bolster	Type-2 Belts**	Lap Belt**

* Emergency Tensioning Retractors

** Line 129 (300SL and 500SL Series) have two front designated seating positions only.