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Campaign No. 2005060014, September 2005
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TO: ALL MERCEDES-BENZ CENTERS

SUBJECT: **MODEL 163, MODEL YEARS 1999 - 2001
INSPECT CATALYST WELDS AND REPLACE CATALYTIC CONVERTER IF
NECESSARY**

*This revised Service Campaign bulletin 2005060014 supersedes previously issued Service Campaign bulletin 2005060014 released in September 2005. The revision contains new warranty information on pages 9-10 regarding claim submission for inspection when parts are unavailable and an updated customer letter on page 12. **Please destroy all previous Service Campaign bulletin versions.***

This Service Campaign has been initiated because DCAG has determined that on the affected vehicles (see VIN range below) the catalytic converters may develop exhaust leaks at the welds causing a louder than normal exhaust/engine noise.

Please review the Effective Serial Number chart located below and if necessary repair the subject vehicles during the vehicle's next service.

Attached is a sample copy of a letter which owners of the affected vehicles will receive.

Prior to performing this Service Campaign:

- Please check VMI to insure the vehicle is involved and to determine if the vehicle has been previously repaired.
- Please review the entire Service Campaign bulletin.

Approximately 79,119 vehicles are affected.

Effective Serial Number Range

Models	Chassis End Number	
	From	To
163.154	A036519	A260405
163.172	A057639	A260575

Note:

VMI must always be checked before performing campaigns to verify that the campaign is required on a specific vehicle. VMI **always** overrides the bulletin in reference to a specific vehicle's inclusion in a particular campaign. Please also note that Recalls and Service Campaigns **do not expire** and may also be performed on a vehicle with a vehicle status indicator.

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