

PRESS RELEASE:
Commencement of
Class Action investigations into
Mercedes-Benz and BMW

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- Leading Compensation law firm Gerard Malouf and Partners (GMP Law) have commenced registrations for imminent Class Action claims against Mercedes-Benz and BMW.
- These two separate Class Actions relate to regulatory investigations by authorities in Germany and Europe for the installation of “cheat devices” by the respective parent companies of Mercedes-Benz Australia/Pacific and BMW Australia Ltd.
- It is alleged that these “cheat devices” manipulate diesel engine emission levels of Nitrogen Oxide (NOx), and other harmful gases, in order to pass regulatory testing.
- NOx is very toxic and is associated with accelerating climate change, acid rain, and respiratory conditions. Irreversible environmental damage is likely to have been caused by these “cheat devices.”

- Past or present owners of affected Mercedes and BMW diesel vehicles, either new or second-hand, manufactured on or after 1 January 2008 are eligible to register. The damages per vehicle could likely be very significant and include a portion of the purchase price.

- Gerard Malouf, Chairman of GMP Law, states:

It is reprehensible for car manufacturers to misrepresent critical aspects of the performance of vehicles sold into the worldwide market, causing financial loss to consumers, but more importantly enormous environmental damage through excessive emissions.

- The Class Actions will likely seek damages for:
 - The loss of value of affected vehicles
 - Excessive Fuel Commission
 - Punitive Damages for harm done to the World Environment, to deter other multinational corporations from repeating such outrageous conduct.

It is anticipated that the damages for each of these class actions may be in the \$100's millions.

- Affected Mercedes and BMW diesel owners can register for these Class Actions at the following websites:

Mercedes-Benz: Mercedesclassaction.com

BMW: BMWclassaction.com

GMP Law has recently filed a similar Class Action claim in the Supreme Court of Victoria against Hino.

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