

July 25, 2013

Mercedes-AMG GmbH and Aston Martin Lagonda Ltd. to enter technical partnership

- **Supply agreements for engines and Electric/Electronic (E/E) components planned**
- **Daimler to receive up to 5% equity in Aston Martin**
- **Ola Källenius, Head of Mercedes-AMG GmbH: “We are proud to work with Aston Martin and provide them with powertrain and e/e components for their forthcoming sports cars.”**
- **Aston Martin Product Development Director Ian Minards: “We have selected AMG specifically as the basis for this powertrain development process.”**

Stuttgart/London - Mercedes-AMG GmbH, a 100% subsidiary and the high performance brand of Daimler AG, and Aston Martin Lagonda Ltd. intend to enter a technical partnership. A corresponding Letter of Intent has been signed today. Essential elements of the planned partnership are supply agreements between Mercedes-AMG, Mercedes-Benz Cars and Aston Martin. Mercedes-AMG will supply Aston Martin with engines, while Mercedes-Benz Cars will provide the British luxury sports car manufacturer with e/e (electric/electronic) components for Aston Martin’s future models.

In addition to those agreements, Daimler will receive up to 5% equity in Aston Martin without cash consideration in several steps following the progress of the technical partnership. At the same time, the company will receive an observer status in the Board of Management of Aston Martin. Based on the Letter of Intent, both parties have the intention to work towards signing of definitive agreements during the second half of the year. The overall transaction is subject to the conclusion on definitive agreement and applicable regulatory approvals, if required.

Ola Källenius, Head of Mercedes-AMG GmbH: “We are proud to work with Aston Martin and provide them with powertrain and e/e components for their forthcoming sports cars. This is proof of AMG’s technological and performance expertise and a real win-win situation for both sides.”

Aston Martin Product Development Director Ian Minards said: “We have selected AMG specifically as the basis for this powertrain development process. Aston Martin sources cutting edge technology from key suppliers around the globe and the opportunity to include content from Mercedes-AMG GmbH in our next generation sports cars is, clearly, good news.”

Not the least due to competitive reasons, both parties agreed on non-disclosure of further details of the planned partnership for the time being.

This document contains forward-looking statements that reflect our current views about future events. The words “anticipate,” “assume,” “believe,” “estimate,” “expect,” “intend,” “may,” “plan,” “project,” “should” and similar expressions are used to identify forward-looking statements. These statements are subject to many risks and uncertainties, including an adverse development of global economic conditions, in particular a decline of demand in our most important markets; a worsening of the sovereign-debt crisis in the euro zone; a deterioration of our funding possibilities on the credit and financial markets; events of force majeure including natural disasters, acts of terrorism, political unrest, industrial accidents and their effects on our sales, purchasing, production or financial services activities; changes in currency exchange rates; a shift in consumer preference towards smaller, lower margin vehicles; or a possible lack of acceptance of our products or services which limits our ability to achieve prices as well as to adequately utilize our production capacities; price increases in fuel or raw materials; disruption of production due to shortages of materials, labor strikes, or supplier insolvencies; a decline in resale prices of used vehicles; the effective implementation of cost-reduction and efficiency-optimization measures; the business outlook of companies in which we hold a significant equity interest; the successful implementation of strategic cooperations and joint ventures; changes in laws, regulations and government policies, particularly those relating to vehicle emissions, fuel economy and safety; the resolution of pending governmental investigations and the conclusion of pending or threatened future legal proceedings; and other risks and uncertainties, some of which we describe under the heading “Risk Report” in Daimler’s most recent Annual Report. If any of these risks and uncertainties materialize, or if the assumptions underlying any of our forward-looking statements prove incorrect, then our actual results may be materially different from those we express or imply by such statements. We do not intend or assume any obligation to update these forward-looking statements. Any forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date on which it is made.

Further Investor Relations information on Daimler is available on the Internet via www.daimler.com/investors and on handhelds via www.daimler.mobi/ir.

If you have any questions, please contact our Investor Relations Team:

Dr. Michael Mühlbayer

Tel. +49/711-17-93139
Michael.Muehlbayer@daimler.com

Bjoern Scheib

Tel. +49/711-17-95256
Bjoern.Scheib@daimler.com

Lutz Deus

Tel. +49/711-17-92261
Lutz.Deus@daimler.com

Alexander Vollmer

Tel. +49/711-17-97778
Alexander.Vollmer@daimler.com

Rolf Bassermann

Tel. +49/711-17-95277
Rolf.Bassermann@daimler.com

Julian Krell

Tel. +49/711-17-99320
Julian.Krell@daimler.com

Dr. Stephan Georg Schön

Tel. +49/711-17-95361
Stephan_Georg.Schoen@daimler.com