

Mercedes-Benz Celebrates Completion of Marshalling Yard Access Bridge and Road, Advancing U.S. Logistics and Manufacturing Operations

- Mercedes-Benz marks the completion of the Marshalling Yard Access Bridge and Road, creating a direct connection between the Mercedes-Benz U.S. International (MBUSI) and Domestic Marshalling Yards.
- Reduces vehicle shuttling costs by approximately 70 percent and cuts dealer dwell time by nearly one day.
- Improves safety, operations, and consistency for dealer partners and customers.
- Reinforces Mercedes-Benz's commitment to its U.S. manufacturing and Alabama operations.

Tuscaloosa, Ala. — Today, Mercedes-Benz celebrated the completion and official opening of the Marshalling Yard Access Bridge and Road, a transformative infrastructure project that fundamentally improves vehicle movement, safety and efficiency.

The new bridge creates a direct connection between the Plant Marshalling Yard (PMY), located adjacent to the manufacturing facility, and the Domestic Marshalling Yard (DMY). Previously separated by U.S. Highway 11 and active Norfolk Southern rail tracks, the two facilities are now linked by a newly constructed land bridge offering approximately one mile of two-lane roadway.

The project was initiated following a detailed evaluation of logistics and long-term operational needs, with extensive planning across feasibility, cost, and operational impact. Construction began in 2025 and was completed in 2026, requiring complex engineering, land acquisition, permitting, and coordination alongside live state highway and active rail operations.

Since 1997, Mercedes-Benz USA has supported every vehicle produced at MBUSI. As production volumes and global markets evolve, how vehicles move off the site has become increasingly critical.

“This ribbon cutting represents a milestone in our long-term U.S. manufacturing and logistics strategy – and our clear commitment to the North American market. The direct connection between the plant and the Domestic Marshalling Yard reflects the same long-term approach behind our investments in Alabama – strengthening local manufacturing, improving resilience, and positioning our U.S. operation for continued growth.”

Jason Hoff, CEO Mercedes-Benz North America

The new connection delivers an estimated 70 percent reduction in vehicle shuttling costs, simplifies vehicle movement by removing reliance on public roads and creates a more predictable and efficient path from production to dealer delivery. These improvements strengthen dealer operations, enhance the customer experience, and positively impact Mercedes-Benz USA's annual sales objective of 400,000 vehicles in North America by the end of the decade.

“Everything starts with our people and our commitment to quality. By removing the need for truck movements across public roads, we improve safety, protect vehicle quality, and simplify daily operations. This bridge strengthens MBUSI’s role as a global export hub and positions us for future growth.”

Federico Kochlowski, President and CEO of Mercedes-Benz U.S. International

The Marshalling Yard Access Bridge and Road stands as a model for strategic investment, operational excellence, and cross-functional collaboration – demonstrating Mercedes-Benz’s long-term commitment to U.S. manufacturing, its Alabama workforce, and delivering exceptional experiences to dealers and customers alike.

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Mercedes-Benz Anniversary Year “140 Years of Innovation”

Since Carl Benz filed the patent for the first automobile 140 years ago and Gottlieb Daimler built his motorized carriage shortly afterwards, Mercedes-Benz has been driven by one defining ambition: to continually innovate and create the world’s most desirable cars. This vision has shaped every breakthrough – from the world’s first automobile in 1886 to today’s intelligent and safe electric vehicles, including the all-new GLC and the award-winning all-new CLA. With the introduction of the new S-Class, the company continues the largest product launch program in its history. Guided by a passion for performance, pioneering power, excellence and an unwavering commitment to customer service, the brand has consistently shaped the future of mobility. The result extends far beyond engineering achievement – it creates the unmistakable feeling that defines everything Mercedes-Benz does: Welcome home.

To mark 140 years of innovation, Mercedes-Benz is embarking on an extraordinary transcontinental journey, driving three new S-Class sedans to 140 locations around the world. Each place highlights the brand’s technology, heritage, pioneering spirit and global presence. Along the way, customers, fans and colleagues are invited to take part in the celebration - an epic adventure running through October. Follow the “140 Years. 140 Places” drive across six continents on our “[140 years of innovation | Mercedes-Benz Media](#)” special.

About Mercedes-Benz USA

Mercedes-Benz USA (MBUSA), headquartered in Atlanta, is responsible for the distribution, marketing and customer service for all Mercedes-Benz products in the United States. MBUSA offers drivers the most diverse line-up in the luxury segment with 18 model lines ranging from the sporty GLA SUV to the flagship S-Class and the dynamic all-electric vehicles from Mercedes-Benz. MBUSA is also responsible for Mercedes-Benz Vans in the U.S. More information on MBUSA and its products can be found at www.mbusa.com and www.mbvans.com.

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