

BMW Group

May 6, 2004

Mr. Kenneth N. Weinstein
Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
400 7th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20590

**RE: Foreign Recall Campaign – Yaw Rate Sensor
2004 BMW 5-, 6-, 7-Series & X3**

Dear Mr. Weinstein:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of 49 CFR Part 579.11.

- Manufacturer:** Bayerische Motoren Werke AG (BMW AG)
Designated Agent: BMW of North America, LLC
Woodcliff Lake, NJ 07677

- Make:** BMW

<u>Model Year/Model</u>	<u>Inclusive dates of manufacture</u>
2004 / 5-Series	02/25/2004 – 03/10/2004
2004 / 6-Series	02/25/2004 – 03/10/2004
2004 / 7-Series	02/25/2004 – 03/10/2004
2004 / X3	02/25/2004 – 03/10/2004

- The number of vehicles affected are approximately 10,240 5-Series, 490 6-Series, 1,785 7-Series, and 2,705 X3 models.
- The potential defect involves the mounting of the yaw rate sensor to its housing. On affected vehicles, the damping elements that separate the sensor from its housing can loosen. If this happens, the sensor may no longer be coupled to its housing as specified. As a result, under certain road conditions, the sensor could generate incorrect signals for communication to vehicle stability and braking systems.
- The following foreign countries are affected: Germany, Denmark, Portugal, Spain, Belgium, France, Italy, The Netherlands, Bulgaria, Finland, Norway, Poland, Romania, Czech Republic, Hungary, Austria, Sweden, Switzerland, Russia, etc.
- BMW will conduct a recall campaign to inspect, and if necessary replace, the yaw rate sensor on all affected vehicles.

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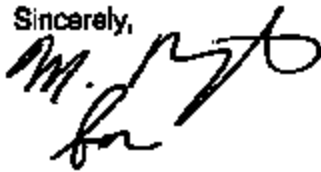
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7. The determination has been made by BMW AG.
8. The remedy program will consist of notifying affected owners by letter in order for them to have their vehicles inspected, and if necessary also repaired.
9. The determination date was March 15, 2004.
10. The start date was March 18, 2004.
11. The substantially similar vehicles in the US are the BMW 5-, 6-, and 7-Series, and also the X3 models. However, US models are not involved as any affected vehicles were repaired prior to transport beyond the direct control of BMW.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. Ziwica', written over the word 'Sincerely,'.

Karl-Heinz Ziwica
Vice President, Engineering US