04V575000: SEAT HEATING CIRCUIT

NHTSA RECALL BULLETIN

Reference Number(s): 04V575000 Related Ref Number(s): 04V575000

ARTICLE BEGINNING

VEHICLE DESCRIPTION

Model(s): 2003 BMW 760Li

2003 BMW 745i

2003 BMW 745Li

2004 BMW 525i

2004 BMW 530i

2004 BMW 540i

2004 BMW 760Li

2004 BMW 745i

2004 BMW 745Li

Campaign No: 04V575000

Number of Affected Vehicles: 17905

Beginning Date of Manufacture: 2003 02 26

Ending Date of Manufacture: 2004 06 09

DEFECT SUMMARY

On certain passenger vehicles equipped with front seat heating systems, upon entering and exiting the vehicle, excessive contact with the side bolster that is contained in the seat's backrest may damage the heating mat located in this area.

If such damage were to occur, with the system turned on, the vehicle occupant may feel excessive heat from this area.

CONSEQUENCE SUMMARY

It is possible that the heating mat in the backrest's side bolster could overheat and damage, or melt a small hole in, this area of the seat cover. If this happened, it could lead to an occupant being burned.

CORRECTIVE SUMMARY

Dealers will modify the seat heating circuit.

OWNER NOTIFICATION

The recall is expected to begin during December 2004. Owners should contact BMW at 1-800-831-1117.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration operates Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Eastern Time. For more information call (800) 424-9393 or (202) 366-0123. For the hearing impaired, call (800) 424-9153.