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Saddle River, New Jersey [REDACTED]

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Ref. No. 11202510

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your correspondence concerning your model year (MY) 2007 BMW X5 vehicle. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA) Office of Defects Investigation received your correspondence. We regret any inconvenience our delay in responding may have caused you.

NHTSA is the Federal agency responsible for improving safety on our Nation's roadways. We are authorized to order manufacturers to recall and repair vehicles or motor vehicle equipment when our investigations indicate that they contain safety defects in their design, construction, or performance. We also monitor the completion rates and adequacy of manufacturers' recall campaigns.

We appreciate the report you provided. Reports from motorists are a very important source of information for us. You indicate that your MY 2007 BMW X5 stalled two times. You state that prior to the stalls, multiple warning messages flashed. Also, each time the vehicle would not restart and had to be towed to a dealer.

We reviewed our database in an effort to identify whether a safety defect trend exists with regard to a loss of motive power in MY 2007 BMW X5 vehicles. We specifically searched for reports of a loss of power or stalling shortly after a rear tail light assembly replacement. At this time, there is insufficient evidence to warrant opening a safety defect investigation or to initiate a recall. The information you provided has been entered into our database. It will be considered with future reports to identify any safety defect trends that may require our attention. For your information, an explanation of NHTSA's investigation and recall process is on our website at www.nhtsa.gov/sites/nhtsa.dot.gov/files/documents/mvdefectsandrecalls_808795.pdf. We recommend that you continue to work with BMW and your local dealer to resolve this matter.

Should you encounter a safety-related problem with a motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment in the future, we would appreciate it if you would complete an electronic Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire online at www.nhtsa.gov or call the Vehicle Safety Hotline at 888-327-4236. Also, a summary listing of vehicle owners' complaints, safety recalls, manufacturers' service bulletins, etc. can be obtained at our website.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Randy Reid". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned directly below the word "Sincerely,".

Randy Reid, Chief
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