



U.S. Department of Transportation  
**National Highway Traffic Safety  
Administration**



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Temple Hills, MD [REDACTED]

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Ref. No. 11640411

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for the letter about the model year (MY) 2019 BMW X3 vehicle. Your letter was forwarded to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA) Office of Defects Investigation. NHTSA's mission is to save lives, prevent injuries, and reduce economic costs due to road traffic crashes, through education, research, safety standards, and enforcement activity.

We appreciate the report you provided. Among other enforcement activities, NHTSA continuously monitors available information to identify potential safety defect trends. As such, reports from motorists are a very important source of information for us. We reviewed our database to identify whether a safety defect trend exists with power door locks inadvertently locking and a no start condition in MY 2019 BMW X3 vehicles. At this time, NHTSA has not identified sufficient evidence to open a safety defect investigation or to initiate a recall. However, we entered your information into NHTSA's database, where it will be used with other reports to identify any safety defect trends that may require our attention. You can learn more about NHTSA's investigation and recall process on our website at [https://www.nhtsa.gov/sites/nhtsa.gov/files/2024-11/MVSDefectsandRecalls-Update\\_112124\\_v1a\\_tag.pdf](https://www.nhtsa.gov/sites/nhtsa.gov/files/2024-11/MVSDefectsandRecalls-Update_112124_v1a_tag.pdf).

Please note that NHTSA does not have the authority to intervene in your pursuit of a refund and the actions presented in BMW's general release. We encourage you to continue to work with BMW and your dealer to explore the potential for an amicable resolution. You may also consider contacting the Federal Trade Commission (FTC). The FTC regulates and investigates warranty and dealership problems, reimbursement matters, and fair-trade practices. Therefore, if you believe this issue potentially relates to such a practice, you may contact the FTC to discuss the matter. There are two ways to contact the FTC: by toll free telephone at 877-FTC-Help; and by using the internet complaint form at [ftc.gov/complaint](http://ftc.gov/complaint).

Finally, please complete an electronic Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire on our website at [www.nhtsa.gov](http://www.nhtsa.gov) or call the Vehicle Safety Hotline at 888-327-4236 if you encounter a safety-related problem with a motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment in the future. You can also review complaints, safety recalls, manufacturers' service bulletins, etc. on our website. I hope you find this information helpful.

Sincerely,

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