

# BMW Group

August 11, 2011

Mr. Claude Harris  
Acting Associate Administrator for Enforcement  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
1200 New Jersey Ave., S.E.  
Washington, DC 20590

**RE: Foreign Safety Campaign – Rear-Side / Rear Windows  
2011 BMW M3 Coupe (GTS European Version)**

Dear Mr. Harris:

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

1. **Manufacturer:** Bayerische Motoren Werke AG (BMW AG)  
**Designated Agent:** Jan Urbahn  
BMW of North America, LLC  
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2. **Make:** BMW  

<u>Model Year / Model</u>	<u>Inclusive dates of manufacture</u>
2011 / BMW M3 Coupe (GTS European Version)	April 30, 2010 – June 15, 2011
  
3. The number of vehicles affected is approximately 119.
  
4. The rear-side and rear windows on affected vehicles are constructed of Makrolon® (a synthetic polycarbonate material). These windows are bonded to the vehicle body. Due to an insufficient bonding, the windows can become loose. It is possible that a window could completely separate from the body.
  
5. The following foreign countries are affected: Germany, Belgium, France, United Kingdom, Italy, Netherlands, Finland, Norway, Austria, Sweden, Switzerland, Brazil, Chile, and Singapore.
  
6. BMW has decided to conduct a recall campaign. Specifically, the windows will be replaced by ones constructed of glass.
  
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 repaired.

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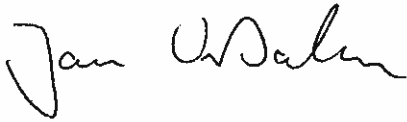
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9. The determination date was August 4, 2011.
10. The recall is planned to start in mid-August 2011.
11. The substantially similar vehicles in the US are the Model Year 2011 BMW M3 Coupe vehicles. However, US models are not affected because a) the M3 GTS is not sold in the US, and b) M3 models sold in the US are not equipped with windows constructed with Makrolon ®.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jan Urbahn". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jan Urbahn  
General Manager  
Safety Engineering and Intelligent Transportation Systems