



U.S. Department  
of Transportation

**National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration**

## ODI RESUME

Investigation: DP 04-001  
 Prompted By: Consumer  
 Date Opened: 02/03/2004  
 Principal Investigator: Steve Chan  
 Subject: Delayed Transmission Engagement

Manufacturer: Bayerische Motoren Werke  
 Products: 2004 BMW 325xi  
 Population: 15000 (Estimated)

Problem Description: The petitioner alleged that when shifted from 'reverse' to 'drive' there was a one-half minute to two minutes delay before the transmission is engaged in 'drive'.

### FAILURE REPORT SUMMARY

	ODI	Manufacturer	Total
Complaints:	1	0	1
Crashes/Fires:	0	0	0
Injury Incidents:	0	0	0
# Injuries:	0	0	0
Fatality Incidents:	0	0	0
# Fatalities:	0	0	0
Other*:	1	0	1

\*Description Of Other: A similar complaint on a model year 2004 BMW 325ci (rear-wheel drive).

Action: The petition will be evaluated for a grant or deny decision.

Engineer: Steve Chan *SC*

Date: 02/03/2004

Div. Chief: Jonathan D. White

Date: 02/03/2004

Office Dir.: Kathleen C. DeMeter

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Summary: Ms. Claire M. Tieder of Reston, VA, submitted a defect petition to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration by letter dated January 11, 2004, requesting a defect investigation be conducted into delayed transmission engagement on model year 2004 BMW 325xi vehicles.