



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

# ODI RESUME

**Investigation:** PE 13-030  
**Date Opened:** 09/06/2013  
**Investigator:** Paul Simmons **Reviewer:** Jeff Quandt  
**Approver:** Frank Borris  
**Subject:** Loss of brake power assist

## MANUFACTURER & PRODUCT INFORMATION

**Manufacturer:** BMW of North America, LLC  
**Products:** 2013 BMW 328I  
**Population:** 90,000 (Estimated)  
**Problem Description:** Complaints allege incidents of hard brake pedal, increased braking effort and extended stopping distances.

## FAILURE REPORT SUMMARY

	ODI	Manufacturer	Total
<b>Complaints:</b>	4	TBD	TBD
<b>Crashes/Fires:</b>	0	TBD	TBD
<b>Injury Incidents:</b>	0	TBD	TBD
<b>Number of Injuries:</b>	0	TBD	TBD
<b>Fatality Incidents:</b>	0	TBD	TBD
<b>Number of Fatalities:</b>	0	TBD	TBD

## ACTION / SUMMARY INFORMATION

**Action:** A Preliminary Evaluation has been opened.

**Summary:**

ODI has received four complaints alleging incidents of hard brake pedal, increased braking effort and increased stopping distances in model year 2013 BMW 328I vehicles. Three of the complaints indicate that the repairing dealer diagnosed a problem with the vacuum pump. A Preliminary Evaluation has been opened to assess the scope, frequency and safety-related consequence of the alleged defect.

The VOQs associated with the opening of this investigation are: 10525548, 10525011, 10521697, 10514428