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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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BMW OF NORTH AMERICA, LLC
300 CHESTNUT RIDGE ROAD
WOODCLIFF LAKE NJ 07675

NVS-215
05V-082

Subject: FUEL PUMP

Dear MR.HEINZ ZIWICA:

This letter is to acknowledge your recent defect or noncompliance information report. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records, as this is the information that will be made available to the public.

Makes/Models/Model Years:
BMW/R 1200 GS/2004

NHTSA Campaign Number: 05V-082

Recall Date: February 21, 2005

Components:
FUEL SYSTEM, GASOLINE:DELIVERY:FUEL PUMP

Potential Number of Units Affected: 1,160

Summary:

ON CERTAIN MOTORCYCLES, THE DEFECT INVOLVES THE SEALING OF THE FUEL PUMP THAT IS INTEGRATED WITHIN THE FUEL TANK. AN O-RING SEAL ATTACHED TO THE PUMP'S ELECTRONIC HOUSING DOES NOT MEET SPECIFICATIONS AND WATER CAN BYPASS THIS SEAL AND CONTACT THE PUMP ELECTRONICS.

Consequence:

ENGINE STALLING, OR A FAILURE TO START, COULD OCCUR. IF STALLING WERE TO OCCUR, THE RIDER WOULD BE UNABLE TO MAINTAIN SPEED OR ACCELERATE AND A CRASH COULD OCCUR WITHOUT PRIOR WARNING.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL REPLACE A SEALING RING. IF THE FUEL PUMP ELECTRONIC UNIT IS CORRODED, IT WILL BE REPLACED. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON MARCH 31, 2005. OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT BMW AT 1-800-831-1117.

Notes:

CUSTOMERS CAN ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S AUTO SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236.

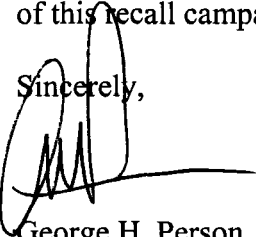
We have reviewed your proposed owner letter and it meets the requirements of Part 577.

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. As stated in your report, the recall is expected to begin on March 31, 2005. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due by April 30, 2005.

Your contacts for this recall will be Pat Wallace or Delia Lopez, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5232 or 202-366-9525 or by email at patricia.wallace@nhtsa.dot.gov or delia.lopez@nhtsa.dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "George H. Person", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

George H. Person
Chief, Recall Management Division