

August 11, 2009

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

**Re: Recall Campaign
Safety Belt Tensioner Wiring
2009 BMW Z4 sDrive 30i / 35i
Initial Report**

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INVESTIGATION

Dear Mr. Smith:

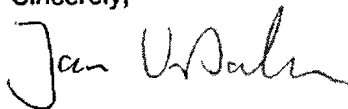
This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1966 and 49 CFR Part 573.

Pursuant to Section 573.6(b) of the above, we are submitting the following information pertaining to Section 573.6(c)(1), (c)(2), and (c)(5).

- 1. **Manufacturer:** Bayerische Motoren Werke AG (BMW AG)
Designated Agent: Jan Urbahn
BMW of North America, LLC
Woodcliff Lake, New Jersey 07677
- 2. **Make:** BMW
Model Year / Model: 2009 / Z4 sDrive 30i / 35i
Inclusive Dates of Manufacture: Mar. 10, 2009 – Mar. 19, 2009
- 5. The problem involves the wiring of the safety belt tensioners. Specifically, a crimp connector of the belt tensioner wiring is not in accordance with specifications. As a result, sufficient contact between the wiring and a plug connection may not occur. This could lead to an increase in the electrical resistance of that connection. If that happened, it would be possible for the belt tensioner not to deploy. However, in such a case, the warning lamp in the instrument cluster would illuminate.

In accordance with 49 CFR 573.6(b), further information will be provided to NHTSA as it becomes available.

Sincerely,



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