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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
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Washington, DC 20590

**Subject: Notification of Recall Pursuant to 49 CFR 573 (2010)
Service Brake Hose RHI4071 – incorrect specification**

Dear Mr. Smith:

This information is submitted in accordance with the requirements of Part 573 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (49 CFR 573 (2010)).

573.6 (c) (1) **Manufacturer's Name**
Bentley Motors Limited

Importer
Bentley Motors, Inc.

573.6 (c) (2) **Identification of Vehicles**

Make	: Rolls-Royce & Bentley
Line	: Part number RHI4701 can be fitted to Silver Shadow, Shadow II & Bentley T2
Model Years	: 1975-1980
Month/Year of Manufacture	: October 2006 to March 2009
VIN Numbers of Affected Vehicles	: LRD20647, SRD21676, SRD22342, LRE25950, SRE26590, SRF30130, SRG34298, SRG34529, SRK36551, LRK37821, SRL40595 plus one invoice where no VIN number has been recorded
Other Identification	: None

573.6 (c) (3) **Number of Parts Potentially Containing the Defect**
12 in the USA

573.6 (c) (4) **Percentage of Vehicles Actually Containing Defect**
Cannot be determined.

573.6 (c) (5) **Description of Noncompliance/Defect**
The brake hose has been incorrectly manufactured using a nitrile rubber which is not tolerant of glycol ether based brake fluid. This could lead to hose failure which would result in partial brake failure.

573.6 (c) (6) **Basis for Determination**
Routine inspection within the parts receiving process

573.6 (c) (7) **Noncompliance Test Result**
Not applicable

573.6 (c) (8) **Proposed Remedial Program**
Bentley Motors, Inc. will inform its authorized dealers to replace the 12 hoses on all affected vehicles. Affected customers will receive notifications as described below.

Notification dates are anticipated as follows:

Dealers: On or about September 22nd, 2010

Owners: On or about September 30th, 2010

73.6 (c) (9) **Submission of Communications**
A representative copy of all bulletins and other communications sent to dealers and owners will be submitted within five (5) days of dealer/owner notification.

573.6 (c) (10) **Proposed Owner Letter**
A proposed owner notification letter will be submitted to you within the next few weeks for your review.

573.6 (c) (11) **Manufacturer's Recall Code**
Bentley has assigned the code "RE10/05" to this recall.

Sincerely,



Stephen Worrall
Head of Aftersales