

To: BMW Passenger Car Sales and Service Managers

Update 1: The repair instruction reference number for E88 models has changed and is reflected in the attached repair instructions.

Please check your center's inventory for E82 and E88 1 Series vehicles produced between January 2010 and May 2010. Certain 1 Series vehicles produced during this time cannot be delivered until an important safety recall is performed. To determine whether a specific 1 Series produced between 1/10 and 5/10 is affected, check the chassis number against the attached chassis number list. If your chassis number is included in the list, the recall needs to be performed before retail delivery.

Letters will be mailed to customers of vehicles which have already been delivered notifying them of this situation and asking them to schedule an appointment with their authorized BMW center.

Affected 1 Series vehicles may have insufficient clearance between the seat belt tensioners in the B-pillar and the surrounding sound insulating material. If a tensioner were to deploy in a crash, the insulating material may become overheated.

Refer to the attached repair instructions for trimming the B-pillar sound insulating material. Warranty information is not available at this time, but will be included when the Service Information bulletin is published.

Under the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1966, as amended, if there has been a recall campaign, dealers must assure that all new vehicles and new items of replacement equipment are free of safety defects and comply with all applicable Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards at the time of delivery to the customer. This means that dealers may not deliver new motor vehicles or new items of replacement equipment to consumers unless the safety defect or noncompliance has been remedied before delivery.

