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via fax and e-mail in advance

SAFETY RECALL NOTICE

Date April 09, 2020

Reminder: NHTSA Recall 19E-058

Attention: Request for Return of Products - Lemförder Steering Central Rod for BMW E39

Dear Customer,

We refer to our letter dated 28 August 2019 in which ZF notified you of a safety recall of Lemförder steering central rods supplied to you and requested the immediate quarantine and return of potentially affected parts from you and your customers.

As of today, ZF has not received the return of all parts supplied to you.

ZF again requests that you immediately quarantine recalled parts in your possession and return to ZF. ZF further requests that you promptly inform your customers that may have received recalled parts to inform them of the recall, request the immediate quarantine of recalled parts and replacement of recalled parts installed in vehicles, and the return of those parts to ZF.

Affected steering central rods have the potential to detach due to an out of specification condition originating at the sub-supplier. If an affected part is installed in a vehicle and a detachment occurs, there is the potential that the steerability of the vehicle may be affected, increasing the risk of a collision.

As a reminder, steering central rods with **part number LF: 15789 02**, intended for use in **BMW E39 (M5 / Alpina) built 03/96 – 12/03** vehicles may be affected.

Parts with **production codes 0118 -1218 and 0119 – 0519** delivered from January 2018 are included in the recall. The date code and branding of the affected parts you will find on the bottom cap and on the housing as shown in the pictures below. Please examine this information carefully before to accurately identify parts included in the recall.

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To return recalled parts, please use the established warranty process for reimbursement.

Recalled parts should be returned and addressed to:

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Borgwardstrasse 16
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For any additional commercial or logistic questions regarding this recall, please contact your local ZF representative.

Please be reminded that it is a violation of Federal law for you to sell or lease the parts covered by this notification until this recall has been performed. Substantial civil penalties apply to violations of this law.

ZF is committed to the safety of its products and appreciates your assistance with this recall.

Kind regards

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