

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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Mr. Martin Rapaport BMW of North America, LLC PO Box 1227 200 Chestnut Ridge Road Westwood, NJ 07675-1227 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

NEF-107DM 25V-202

Subject: Starter-Generator Electrical Connection May Fail

Dear Mr. Rapaport:

This letter serves to acknowledge BMW of North America, LLC's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) listed below. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

Makes/Models/Model Years:

BMW/330I/2025 BMW/330I XDRIVE/2025 BMW/430I/2025 BMW/430I XDRIVE/2025 BMW/530I/2025 BMW/530I XDRIVE/2025 BMW/X3/2025

Mfr's Report Date: April 1, 2025

NHTSA Campaign Number: 25V-202

Components:

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM:ALTERNATOR/GENERATOR/REGULATOR ELECTRICAL SYSTEM:STARTER ASSEMBLY

Potential Number of Units Affected: 4.397

Problem Description:

BMW of North America, LLC (BMW) is recalling certain 2025 330i, 330i xDrive, 530i, 530i xDrive, 4 Series Coupe (430i, 430i xDrive), 4 Series Convertible (430i, 430i xDrive), 4 Series Gran Coupe (430i, 430i xDrive) and X3 30 xDrive vehicles. The electrical connection between the starter-generator and battery may come loose.

Consequence:

A loose starter-generator connection can result in an engine stall, increasing the risk of a crash. In addition, the wiring may overheat, increasing the risk of a fire.

Remedy:

Dealers will inspect and replace the starter-generator and positive battery cable as necessary, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed May 23, 2025. Owners may contact BMW customer service at 1-800-525-7417.



Notes:

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-888-275-9171) or go to www.nhtsa.gov.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, 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 required 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).

Please be reminded that under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a)(3), it is illegal for a manufacturer, to sell, offer for sale, import, or introduce or deliver into interstate commerce, a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment that contains a safety defect once the manufacturer has notified NHTSA about that safety defect. This prohibition does not apply once the motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment has been remedied according to the manufacturer's instructions.

As stated in 49 U.S.C. § 30118(f), submission of eight consecutive quarterly reports followed by three annual reports is required. As described in 573.7, submission of the first of eight consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on, or before, 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter. The first of three consecutive annual status reports will be due on, or before, 1 year after the eighth quarterly report was submitted.

BMW of North America, LLC's contact for this recall will be DeMara Magruder who may be reached by email at demara.magruder@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Alex Ansley

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigation

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