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RE: Saab Model Year 2001 VIN Information

As required by 49 CFR 565.7 (c) and (d), information on Saab's 2001 model year vehicle identification numbers is attached. Saab expects to start retail sales of MY2001 vehicles around October 1, 2000.

Because of an internal misunderstanding, Saab's MY2001 VIN information was not included with the GM MY2001 information as originally planned. For MY2002, Saab information will be included with that from General Motors.

Please contact me directly at (770) 279-6377 if there are any questions.

Sincerely,

Gerald Plante
Manager, Compliance
& Technical Liaison

Attachment

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**SAAB****SERVICE INFORMATION**

SI No. 011-xxxx	Date September 2000	9-3, 9-5
PI No.	Distr. US	

2001 Vehicle Identification Number

NUMBER OF CHARACTERS: 17 Alpha-Numeric, complies with U.S. and European Regulations.

YS3 E F 4 8 Z 6 1 3 123456

Geographical location, manufacturer:	YS3
Car line:	E
Market equipment:	F
Body type:	4
Gearbox:	8
Engine:	Z
Check digit:	6
Model year:	1
Assembly plant:	3
Serial number:	123456

Position		
1-3	Mfr. Code:	YS3 = Saab Automobile AB, Sweden
4	Car Line:	D = Saab 9-3 E = Saab 9-5
5	Model Series/ Restraint Type:	D = w/Dual Airbags (9-3, 9-5) F = SE w/Dual Airbags H = Aero (9-5) P = Viggen (9-3)
6	Body Type:	3 = 3-Door Hatchback (9-3) 4 = 4-Door Sedan (9-5) 5 = 5-Door Hatchback (9-3), Wagon (9-5) 7 = Convertible (9-3)
7	Gearbox:	5 = 5-Speed Manual 8 = 4-Speed Automatic
8	Engine:	E = 2.3 L, Turbo (LPT) (9-5) G = 2.3 L, High Output Turbo (9-3 Viggen, 9-5 Aero) H = 2.0 L, Turbo 9-3 (Std. Output) K = 2.0 L, Turbo 9-3 (High Output) Z = 3.0L, Turbo V6, (9-5)
9	Check Digit:	Numeric or "X" (calculated)
	VIN Serial No.:	
10	Model Year:	1 = 2001
11	Assembly Line:	2 = Trollhattan, Sweden, Line A (9-3) 3 = Trollhattan, Sweden, Line B (9-5) 7 = Nystad, Finland (9-3 Convertible, 9-3 Viggen)
12-17	Serial Number:	Begins with 000001 for each assembly line, each product line, and each model year

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