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RE: **NHTSA Part 565.5 - Vehicle Identification Number - Content Requirements - VIN Schematic for 2002MY Legacy and Forester Vehicles**

Dear Ms. Millman:

We are the sole importer of Subaru vehicles into the USA, and as such, submit information about the VIN for 2002 model year Subaru Legacy and Forester vehicles.

The information provided on the attached sheets will aid in deciphering the individual characters of a 2002 Model Year Subaru Legacy or Forester VIN.

Please contact my office if you should need additional information about the VIN of Subaru vehicles.

Sincerely,

Don Bearden, Director  
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Enclosures

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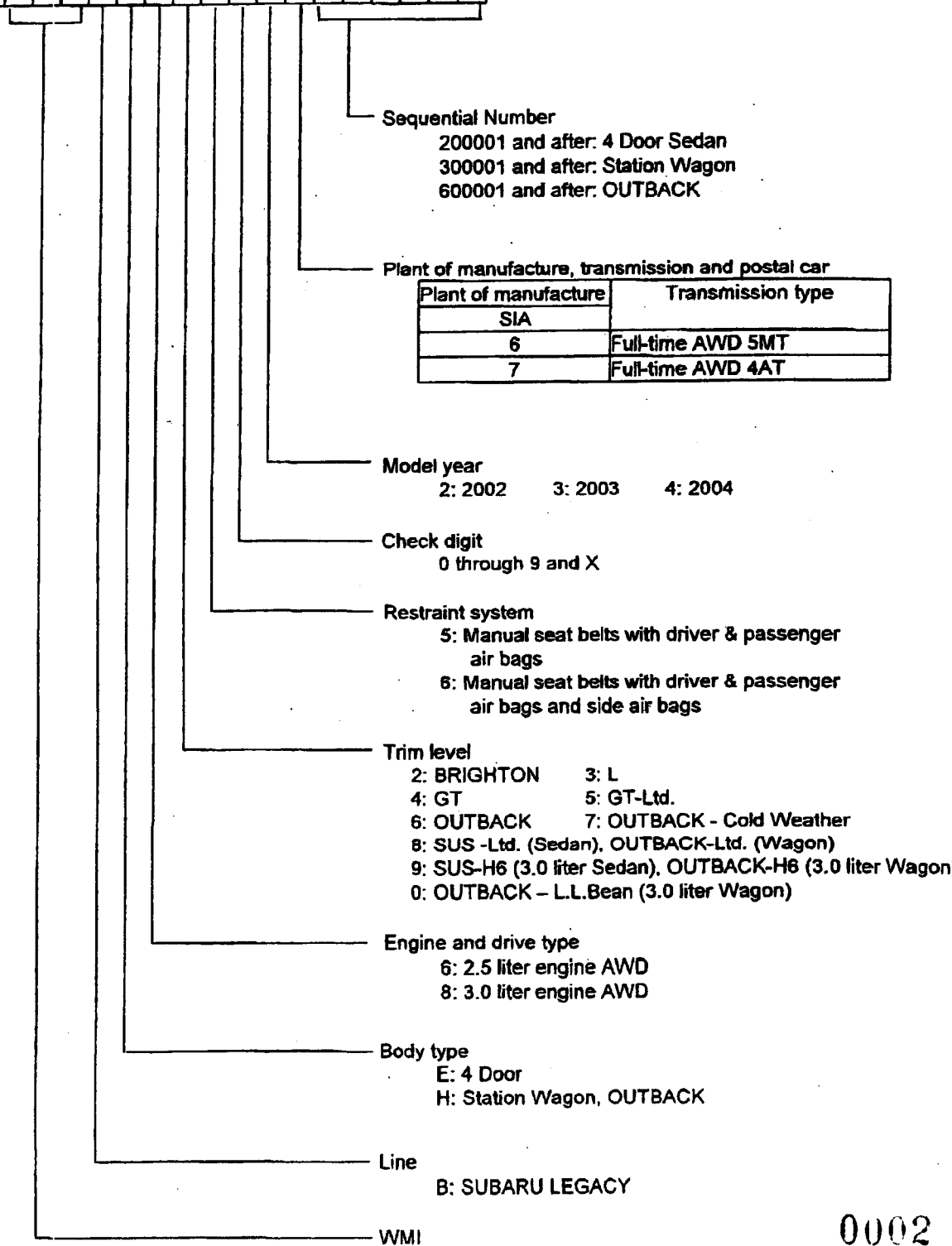
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# SUBARU

## VIN SCHEME FOR 2002MY LEGACY

Digit	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Character	4	S	3	B	E	6	3	5	X	2	7	2	0	0	0	0	1



Sequential Number

200001 and after: 4 Door Sedan  
 300001 and after: Station Wagon  
 600001 and after: OUTBACK

Plant of manufacture, transmission and postal car

Plant of manufacture	Transmission type
SIA	
6	Full-time AWD 5MT
7	Full-time AWD 4AT

Model year

2: 2002      3: 2003      4: 2004

Check digit

0 through 9 and X

Restraint system

5: Manual seat belts with driver & passenger air bags  
 6: Manual seat belts with driver & passenger air bags and side air bags

Trim level

2: BRIGHTON      3: L  
 4: GT      5: GT-Ltd.  
 6: OUTBACK      7: OUTBACK - Cold Weather  
 8: SUS -Ltd. (Sedan), OUTBACK-Ltd. (Wagon)  
 9: SUS-H6 (3.0 liter Sedan), OUTBACK-H6 (3.0 liter Wagon)  
 0: OUTBACK - L.L.Bean (3.0 liter Wagon)

Engine and drive type

6: 2.5 liter engine AWD  
 8: 3.0 liter engine AWD

Body type

E: 4 Door  
 H: Station Wagon, OUTBACK

Line

B: SUBARU LEGACY

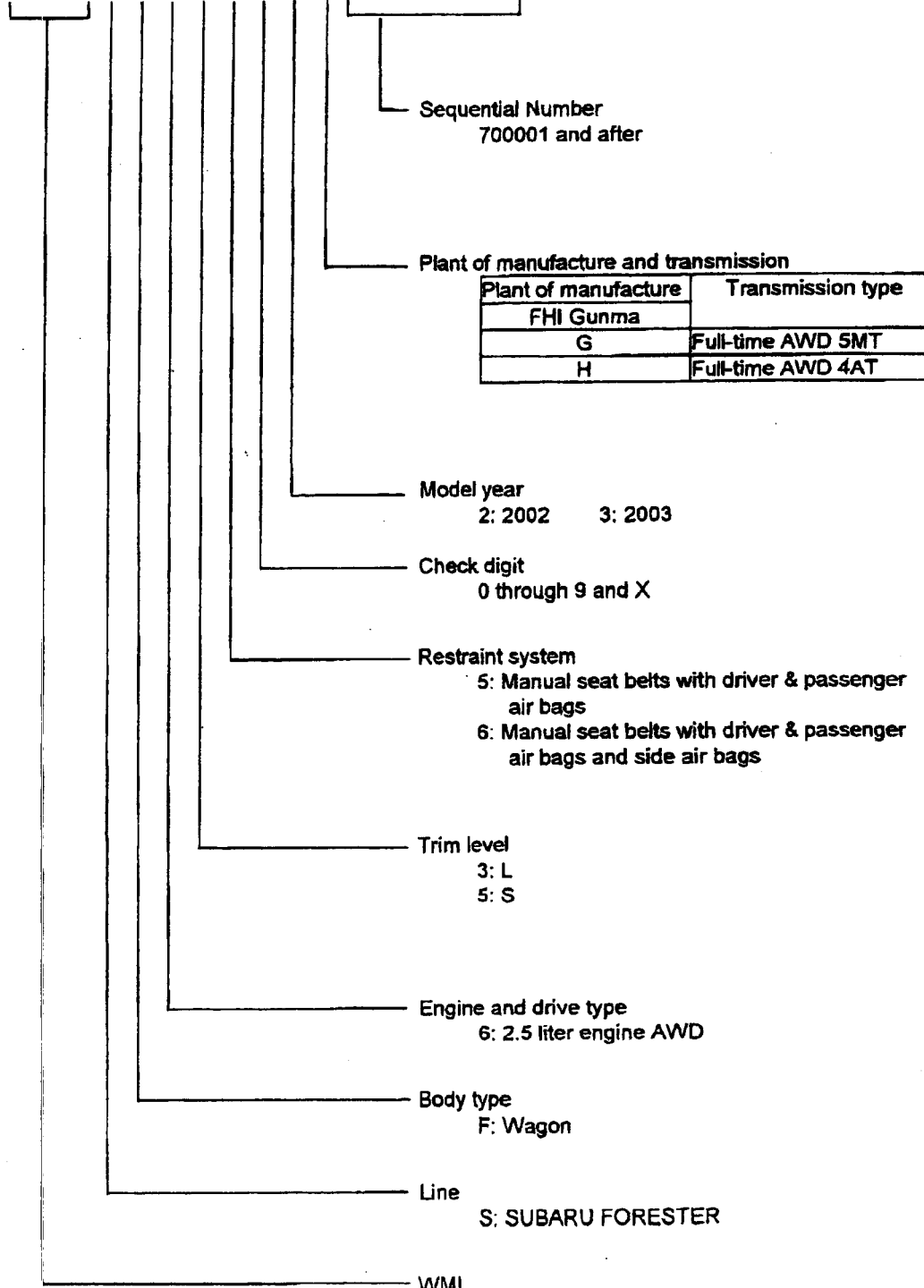
WMI

4S3: Assembled by SIA, passenger car

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## VIN SCHEME FOR 2002MY FORESTER

Digit	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Character	J	F	1	S	F	6	3	5	X	2	G	7	0	0	0	0	1



JF1: Manufactured by FHI, passenger car