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Administrator
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
400 Seventh St. SW
Washington, DC 20590
Attention: VIN Coordinator

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Re: Part 565 – Vehicle Identification Number/2003 Subaru

Dear VIN Coordinator:

Pursuant to 49 CFR 565.7(d), Subaru of America, Inc. submits the attached information necessary for NHTSA to decipher the characters contained in the vehicle identification numbers ("VINs") on model year 2003 Subaru vehicles sold in the United States.

Please contact me at (856) 488-3226 if you have questions or should need additional information.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure

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VIN Breakdown

(Sample)

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

Digit **Contents**
 1-3 WMI
 JF1: FHI Passenger car
 4S3: SIA Passenger car
 4S4: SIA MPV

4-5 Car line and Body type
 BE = Legacy (Sedan)
 BH = Legacy (Wagon)
 BT = Baja
 GD = Impreza (Sedan)
 GG = Impreza (Wagon)
 SG = Forester

6 Engine Type
 2 = 2000cc AWD Turbo
 6 = 2500cc AWD
 8 = 3000cc AWD

7 Model

Legacy	Baja	Impreza	Forester
2 = Brighton	1 = Baja	5 = TS	3 = 2.5X
3 = L		7 = RS	5 = 2.5XS
4 = GT		8 = Outback	
5 = GT LO		9 = WRX	
6 = Outback			
7 = Outback CW			
8 = Outback LTD			
9 = Outback H6			
0 = Outback H6 L.L. Bean			

8 Restraint system or GVWR class
 5 = Manual seat belts with driver & passenger air bags
 6 = Manual seat belts with driver & passenger air bags and side air bags
 C = Class C (4001-5000 lbs.)

9 Check digit
 0-9 and X

10 Model year
 3 = 2003

11 Plant of manufacturer and transmission type

SIA	FHI	Transmission
5	-	AWD 4AT-SS
6	G	AWD 5MT
7	H	AWD 4AT

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12-17 Serial number

Legacy	Baja	Impreza	Forester
200001- = Sedan and Outback Sedan	100001- = Baja	500001- = Sedan	700001- = Forester
300001- = Station Wagon		800001- = Wagon	
600001- = Outback Wagon			