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For the attention of The VIN Co-ordinator

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Dear Sir

RE: 49 CFR PART 565-VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER-CONTENT REQUIREMENTS

I refer to my letter of 1 October 1986 when, in compliance with 49 CFR Part 565.4 I submitted a schedule detailing the relevant VIN Numbers relating to the Sterling motor vehicles derivatives to be sold in the United States.

The optional fitment of Passive Restraints to the 825 SL Automatic from June 1987 production involves a VIN Prefix Identifier and I thereby furnish the following information to update you:-

- 1 Position 7 in the VIN Prefix indicates Passive Restraint fitment.
- 2 The number 4 in the seventh position indicates 4-Door Body Style with normal active belts, whilst the number 3 in the seventh position indicates 4-Door Body Style with Passive Restraint System. By way of example:-

SAXXS83BOHM = 825 SL Federal Automatic with Passive Restraint  
SAXXS84BOHM = 825 SL Federal Automatic with Active Restraint

SAXXS83DOHM = 825 SL California Automatic with Passive Restraint  
SAXXS84DOHM = 825 SL California Automatic with Active Restraint

Please be advised at this stage that only the Federal and California derivatives referred to above are affected and VIN Codes for all other Sterling derivatives remain unchanged and as previously notified to you.

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

I should be grateful if you would acknowledge receipt of this submission and confirm it fully complies with 49 CFR Part 565.

Yours faithfully

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