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ATTN: VIN Coordinator

Dear Sir or Madame:

This letter is in reference to FMVSS 115, S 6.3 and Part 565.

Enclosed please find a submission of ten copies of information necessary to decipher the characters contained in the vehicle identification number for the 1988 U.S. BMW 325i, 325iS, 325i 4-dr., 325i Convertible, 325iX, 325iX 4-dr., M3, 525i, 535i, 635CSi, 735i, 735iL, and 750iL models.

Very truly yours,

Karl-Heinz Ziwick, General Manager
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Table for 325i (2-DOOR), MY 1989

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>CODE</u>	<u>DATA ENCODED</u>	<u>MEANING</u>
1	W	MANUFACTURER: MAKE: TYPE:	BMW-AG, Munich/West Germany BMW Passenger Car
2	B		
3	A		
4	A	LINE:	3
5	A	SERIES:	325i
6	1 or 2	BODY TYPE:	2-Door Sedan
7	3	ENGINE TYPE:	168 BHP, 152 cu.in., 6-Cyl. Gasoline Engine
8	0	RESTRAINT SYSTEM TYPE:	Mfr.: BMW-AG; Make BMW Manual Seat Belts
9		CHECK DIGIT	To be assigned by manufacturer
10	K	MODEL YEAR	1989
11	2,3,4 8	PLANT OF MANUFACTURE	Munich Regensburg
12		SEQUENTIAL	To be assigned by manufacturer
13		PRODUCTION	
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Table for 325is, MY 1989

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>CODE</u>	<u>DATA ENCODED</u>	<u>MEANING</u>
1	W	MANUFACTURER: MAKE: TYPE:	BMW-AG, Munich/West Germany BMW Passenger Car
2	B		
3	A		
4	A	LINE:	3
5	A	SERIES:	325is
6	1 or 2	BODY TYPE:	2-Door Sedan
7	3	ENGINE TYPE:	168 BHP, 152 cu. in., 6-Cyl. Gasoline Engine
8	0	RESTRAINT SYSTEM TYPE:	Mfr.: BMW-AG; Make BMW Manual Seat Belts
9		CHECK DIGIT	To be assigned by manufacturer
10	K	MODEL YEAR	1989
11	2,3,4 8	PLANT OF MANUFACTURE	Munich Regensburg
12		SEQUENTIAL	To be assigned by manufacturer
13		PRODUCTION	
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Table for 325i (4-DOOR), MY 1989

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>CODE</u>	<u>DATA ENCODED</u>	<u>MEANING</u>
1	W	MANUFACTURER:	BMW-AG, Munich/West Germany
2	B	MAKE:	BMW
3	A	TYPE:	Passenger Car
4	A	LINE:	3
5	D	SERIES:	325i
6	1 or 2	BODY TYPE:	4-Door Sedan
7	3	ENGINE TYPE:	168 BHP, 152 cu.in., 6-Cyl. Gasoline Engine
8	0	RESTRAINT SYSTEM TYPE:	Mfr.: BMW-AG; Make BMW Manual Seat Belts
9		CHECK DIGIT	To be assigned by manufacturer
10	K	MODEL YEAR	1989
11	8	PLANT OF MANUFACTURE	Regensburg
12		SEQUENTIAL	To be assigned by manufacturer
13		PRODUCTION	
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Table for 325i Convertible, MY 1989

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>CODE</u>	<u>DATA ENCODED</u>	<u>MEANING</u>
1	W	MANUFACTURER: MAKE: TYPE:	BMW-AG, Munich/West Germany BMW Passenger Car
2	B		
3	A		
4	B	LINE:	3
5	B	SERIES:	325i Convertible
6	1 or 2	BODY TYPE:	2-Door Convertible
7	3	ENGINE TYPE:	168 BHP, 152 cu.in., 6-Cyl. Gasoline Engine
8	0	RESTRAINT SYSTEM TYPE:	Mfr.: BMW-AG; Make BMW Manual Seat Belts
9		CHECK DIGIT	To be assigned by manufacturer
10	K	MODEL YEAR	1989
11	8	PLANT OF MANUFACTURE	Regensburg
12		SEQUENTIAL	To be assigned by manufacturer
13		PRODUCTION	
14		NUMBER	
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Table for 325iX (2-DOOR), MY 1989

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>CODE</u>	<u>DATA ENCODED</u>	<u>MEANING</u>
1	W	MANUFACTURER:	BMW-AG, Munich/West Germany
2	B	MAKE:	BMW
3	A	TYPE:	Passenger Car
4	A	LINE:	3
5	B	SERIES:	325iX
6	0 or 9	BODY TYPE:	2-Door Sedan, 4-Wheel Drive
7	3	ENGINE TYPE:	168 BHP, 152 cu. in., 6-Cyl. Gasoline Engine
8	0	RESTRAINT SYSTEM TYPE:	Mfr.: BMW-AG; Make BMW Manual Seat Belts
9		CHECK DIGIT	To be assigned by manufacturer
10	K	MODEL YEAR	1989
11	8	PLANT OF MANUFACTURE	Regensburg
12		SEQUENTIAL	To be assigned by manufacturer
13		PRODUCTION	
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Table for 325iX (4-DOOR), MY 1989

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>CODE</u>	<u>DATA ENCODED</u>	<u>MEANING</u>
1	W	MANUFACTURER:	BMW-AG, Munich/West Germany
2	B	MAKE:	BMW
3	A	TYPE:	Passenger Car
4	A	LINE:	3
5	E	SERIES:	325iX
6	0 or 9	BODY TYPE:	4-Door Sedan, 4-Wheel Drive
7	3	ENGINE TYPE:	168 BHP, 152 cu. in., 6-Cyl. Gasoline Engine
8	0	RESTRAINT SYSTEM TYPE:	Mfr.: BMW-AG; Make BMW Manual Seat Belts
9		CHECK DIGIT	To be assigned by manufacturer
10	K	MODEL YEAR	1989
11	8	PLANT OF MANUFACTURE	Regensburg
12		SEQUENTIAL	To be assigned by manufacturer
13		PRODUCTION	
14		NUMBER	
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Table for M3, MY 1989

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>CODE</u>	<u>DATA ENCODED</u>	<u>MEANING</u>
1	W	MANUFACTURER: MAKE: TYPE:	BMW MOTORSPORT GmbH Munich/West Germany BMW Passenger Car
2	B		
3	S		
4	A	LINE:	3
5	K	SERIES:	M3
6	0	BODY TYPE:	2-Door Sedan
7	3	ENGINE TYPE:	192 BHP, 140 cu. in., 4-Cyl. Gasoline Eng.
8	0	RESTRAINT SYSTEM TYPE:	Mfr.: BMW-MOTORSPORT GmbH; Make BMW Manual Seat Belts
9		CHECK DIGIT	To be assigned by manufacturer
10	K	MODEL YEAR	1989
11	2	PLANT OF MANUFACTURE	Munich
12		SEQUENTIAL	To be assigned by manufacturer
13		PRODUCTION	
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Table for 525i, MY 1989

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>CODE</u>	<u>DATA ENCODED</u>	<u>MEANING</u>
1	W	MANUFACTURER: MAKE: TYPE:	BMW-AG, Munich/West Germany BMW Passenger Car
2	B		
3	A		
4	H	LINE:	5
5	C	SERIES:	525i
6	1 or 2	BODY TYPE:	4-Door Sedan
7	3	ENGINE TYPE:	168 BHP, 152 cu. in., 6-Cyl. Gasoline Engine
8	0	RESTRAINT SYSTEM TYPE:	Mfr.: BMW-AG; Make BMW Manual Seat Belts
9		CHECK DIGIT	To be assigned by manufacturer
10	K	MODEL YEAR	1989
11	1 or 2	PLANT OF MANUFACTURE	Dingolfing
12		SEQUENTIAL	To be assigned by manufacturer
13		PRODUCTION	
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Table for 535i, MY 1989

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>CODE</u>	<u>DATA ENCODED</u>	<u>MEANING</u>
1	W	MANUFACTURER:	BMW-AG, Munich/West Germany
2	B	MAKE:	BMW
3	A	TYPE:	Passenger Car
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4	H	LINE:	5
5	D	SERIES:	535i
6	1 or 2	BODY TYPE:	4-Door Sedan
7	3	ENGINE TYPE:	182 BHP, 209 cu. in., 6-Cyl. Gasoline Engine
8	1	RESTRAINT SYSTEM TYPE:	Mfr.: BMW-AG; Make BMW Manual Seat Belts with Supplemental Restraint System (SRS)
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9		CHECK DIGIT	To be assigned by manufacturer
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10	K	MODEL YEAR	1989
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11	2	PLANT OF MANUFACTURE	Dingolfing
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12		SEQUENTIAL	To be assigned by manufacturer
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Table for 635CSi, MY 1989

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>CODE</u>	<u>DATA ENCODED</u>	<u>MEANING</u>
1	W	MANUFACTURER:	BMW-AG, Munich/West Germany
2	B	MAKE:	BMW
3	A	TYPE:	Passenger Car
4	E	LINE:	6
5	C	SERIES:	635CSi
6	7 or 8	BODY TYPE:	2-Door Coupe
7	4	ENGINE TYPE:	208-BHP, 209 cu. in., 6-Cyl. Gasoline Engine
8	1	RESTRAINT SYSTEM TYPE:	Mfr.: BMW-AG; Make BMW Manual Seat Belts with Supplemental Restraint System (SRS)
9		CHECK DIGIT	To be assigned by manufacturer
10	K	MODEL YEAR	1989
11	0-9	PLANT OF MANUFACTURE	Dingolfing
12		SEQUENTIAL	To be assigned by manufacturer
13		PRODUCTION	
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Table for 735i, MY 1989

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>CODE</u>	<u>DATA ENCODED</u>	<u>MEANING</u>
1	W	MANUFACTURER: MAKE: TYPE:	BMW-AG, Munich/West Germany BMW Passenger Car
2	B		
3	A		
4	G	LINE:	7
5	B	SERIES:	735i
6	3 or 4	BODY TYPE:	4-Door Sedan
7	3	ENGINE TYPE:	208 BHP, 209 cu. in., 6-Cyl. Gasoline Engine
8	1	RESTRAINT SYSTEM TYPE:	Mfr.: BMW-AG; Make BMW Manual Seat Belts with Supplemental Restraint System (SRS)
9		CHECK DIGIT	To be assigned by manufacturer
10	K	MODEL YEAR	1989
11	1 or 3	PLANT OF MANUFACTURE	Dingolfing
12		SEQUENTIAL	To be assigned by manufacturer
13		PRODUCTION	
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Table for 735iL, MY 1989

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>CODE</u>	<u>DATA ENCODED</u>	<u>MEANING</u>
1	W	MANUFACTURER:	BMW-AG, Munich/West Germany
2	B	MAKE:	BMW
3	A	TYPE:	Passenger Car
4	G	LINE:	7
5	C	SERIES:	735iL
6	4	BODY TYPE:	4-Door Sedan
7	3	ENGINE TYPE:	208 BHP, 209 cu. in., 6-Cyl. Gasoline Engine
8	1	RESTRAINT SYSTEM TYPE:	Mfr.: BMW-AG; Make BMW Manual Seat Belts with Supplemental Restraint System (SRS)
9		CHECK DIGIT	To be assigned by manufacturer
10	K	MODEL YEAR	1989
11	1 or 3	PLANT OF MANUFACTURE	Dingolfing
12		SEQUENTIAL	To be assigned by manufacturer
13		PRODUCTION	
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Table for 750iL, MY 1989

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>CODE</u>	<u>DATA ENCODED</u>	<u>MEANING</u>
1	W	MANUFACTURER: MAKE: TYPE:	BMW-AG, Munich/West Germany BMW Passenger Car
2	B		
3	A		
4	G	LINE:	7
5	C	SERIES:	750iL
6	8	BODY TYPE:	4-Door Sedan
7	3	ENGINE TYPE:	295 BHP, 304 cu. in., 12-Cyl. Gasoline Engine
8	1	RESTRAINT SYSTEM TYPE:	Mfr.: BMW-AG; Make BMW Manual Seat Belts with Supplemental Restraint System (SRS)
9		CHECK DIGIT	To be assigned by manufacturer
10	K	MODEL YEAR	1989
11	2 or 3	PLANT OF MANUFACTURE	Dingolfing
12		SEQUENTIAL	To be assigned by manufacturer
13		PRODUCTION	
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