

**INITIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT FAX SHEET OF RECEIPT OF DEFECT INFORMATION
REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573**

Assigned Recall No. 01V-206.002 by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: July 16, 2001

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MANUFACTURER: **BMW of North America, Inc.**

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SUBJECT: An additional 27,982 BMW 2001 3 Series with manual transmissions manufactured from February 1, through May 14, 2001; X5 manufactured from December 18, 2000 through June 15, 2001; and Z8 manufactured from January 1 through May 31, 2001. The increases the population of vehicles involved to 50,417. The engine auxiliary/cooling fan operation, including variable speed, is electronically controlled. Miscommutation of the fan motor can cause the electrical circuitry of the fan control unit to overload and fail, causing the fan to stop operating.

This is an **initial** acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be forthcoming shortly. After our review of your report and associated documents, we may have additional comments or concerns.

We have reviewed your owner notification letter and it meets the requirements of Part 577.

As stated in Part 573.6, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs.

As stated in your report, owner notification is expected to begin during July 2001. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due October 30, 2001.

If you have any questions, please call:

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