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U.S. Department of Transportation
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
400 - 7th Street S.W.
Washington, DC 20590
Attn.: VIN Coordinator

Gentlemen:

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

Enclosed please find the updated information necessary to decipher the characters contained in the vehicle identification number for the 1986 U.S. BMW 735i and L7 models.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. H. Ziwick'.

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Attachments

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DECIPHERMENT OF BMW VIN'S ACCORDING TO FMVSS 115

Table for 735i, MY 1986

| <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 | F | LINE: | 7 |
| 5 | H | SERIES: | 735i |
| 6 | 7 or 8 | BODY TYPE: | 4-Door Sedan |
| 7 | 4 | ENGINE TYPE: | 182-BHP, 209 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 | G | MODEL YEAR | 1986 |
| 11 | 1,2,3, 4,5,6 7 or 9 | PLANT OF MANUFACTURE | Dingolfing |
| 12 | | SEQUENTIAL | To be |
| 13 | | PRODUCTION | assigned |
| 14 | | NUMBER | by manufacturer |
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DECIPHERMENT OF BMW VIN'S ACCORDING TO FMVSS 115

Table for L7, MY 1986

| <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 | F | LINE: | 7 |
| 5 | G | SERIES: | L7 |
| 6 | 2 | BODY TYPE: | 4-Door Sedan |
| 7 | 4 | 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 |
| 9 | | CHECK DIGIT | To be assigned by manufacturer |
| 10 | G | MODEL YEAR | 1986 |
| 11 | 1,2,3, 4,5,6 7 or 9 | PLANT OF MANUFACTURE | Dingolfing |
| 12 | | SEQUENTIAL | To be |
| 13 | | PRODUCTION | assigned |
| 14 | | NUMBER | by manufacturer |
| 15 | | | |
| 16 | | | |
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