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Dear Mr. Pfeffer,

Thank you very much for your letter regarding your experiences with your vehicle BMW M5. First of all, please accept our apologies for late answer, however, we would like to emphasize, that we very much appreciate your trust and loyalty in the BMW brand. We did our best to provide you with all possible information, therefore we have also involved product development department.

As you have already mentioned in your letter, BMW has to comply with the EU / ECE external noise legislation which resulted in discontinuation of the intensification of engine burble and backfire noise in BMW M5. In addition, the exhaust flap will remain closed when stationary. Conforming the new legislation, the BMW M5 still features the characteristically and typically sporty BMW M sound.

Following your questions:

- i. To fulfill the EU legislative regulation, there was necessity of OPF filter integration. Consequently, there was certain period during the phase of such integration, when authorized dealers still had DEMO vehicles before changes, however, vehicles ordered into production would be produced after this change. Within this period, there was unfortunately no authentic comparison available.
- ii. The production changes are implemented to certain time points and a production change has to be done prior to the introduction of the norm, otherwise there is a risk for the manufacturer that implementation will be overdue and vehicles couldn't be registered. In this case there was no effect from any noise regulations (e.g. for the Czech Republic); however in this context

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BMW doesn't distinguish between EU countries. Every market gets the same product. As of 2020 there is an EU regulation concerning sound (70dB) and as soon as we have to implement it, the production plan will follow the regulations.

- iii. For new models with OPF integration, the M Performance exhaust is not available anymore.

Thank you for your understanding.

Kind regards
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