

**BENTLEY**

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**Subject: Notification of Recall Pursuant to 49 CFR 573 (2010)
2007/2009 Model Year Bentley Arnage, Bentley Azure, Bentley Brooklands**

Dear Mr. Smith:

This information is submitted in accordance with the requirements of Part 573 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (49 CFR 573 (2010)).

573.6 (c) (1) **Manufacturer's Name**
Bentley Motors Limited

Importer
Bentley Motors, Inc.

573.6 (c) (2) **Identification of Vehicles**

Make : Bentley

Line : Arnage R, Arnage T, Arnage RL, Brooklands, Azure

Model Years : Model Years 2007-2009

Month/Year
of Manufacture : October 2006 to March 2009

VIN Numbers
of Affected
Vehicles : in the range from SCBLF44J87CX12032 to SCBDC47L49CX14289 and
SCBLE47K07CX19502 and SCBLE47K49CX19666

Other
Identification : None

573.6 (c) (3) **Number of Vehicles Potentially Containing the Defect**

596 in the USA

573.6 (c) (4) **Percentage of Vehicles Actually Containing Defect**

Cannot be determined. This is a corrective action following the discovery of a component that has corroded.

573.6 (c) (5) **Description of Noncompliance/Defect**

On vehicles affected there is the potential for the retractable 'B' mechanism to become corroded. In extreme cases, this may lead to flying 'B' mascot not retracting when struck. Such a defect may result in additional injury in the event of a pedestrian impact; however this condition has not been witnessed by or reported to Bentley Motors Limited, neither is Bentley otherwise aware of any accidents or injuries related to this matter.

573.6 (c) (6) **Basis for Determination**

A UK dealer reported during routine maintenance.

573.6 (c) (7) **Noncompliance Test Result**

Not applicable

573.6 (c) (8) **Proposed Remedial Program**

Bentley Motors, Inc. will inform its authorized dealers to replace the retractable 'B' mechanism on all affected vehicles.

Affected customers will receive notifications as described below.

Notification dates are anticipated as follows:

Dealers: On or about September 22nd 2010

Owners: On or about September 27th 2010

73.6 (c) (9) **Submission of Communications**

A representative copy of all bulletins and other communications sent to dealers and owners will be submitted within five (5) days of dealer/owner notification.

573.6 (c) (10) **Proposed Owner Letter**

A proposed owner notification letter will be submitted to you within the next few weeks for your review.

573.6 (c) (11) **Manufacturer's Recall Code**

Bentley has assigned the code "RE10/04" to this recall.

Sincerely,



Stephen Worrall
Head of Aftersales