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BMW 3 Series wins Cars.Com / USA Today Sport Sedan Challenge

The 3 Series maintains its segment defining position

Woodcliff Lake, N.J. – April 8, 2013 ... The BMW 328i has been selected as the winner of the Cars.Com Sports Sedan Challenge. The 3 Series emerged as the winner in a series of evaluations including race track testing, instrumented measurements, street driving and a long distance trip on different types of roads.

The BMW 3 Series and five competitor cars were judged by a panel of experts from Cars.com, MotorWeek, and USA Today. The cars were also judged by actual car shoppers who were in the market for a sport sedan and were invited to participate.

The BMW 3 Series was selected as the sport sedan with the best combination of performance, fuel efficiency and spaciousness in the group, confirming that the sixth-generation 3 Series continues the successful tradition started more than 35 years ago when the first 3 Series was launched.

The recent launch of the new BMW 320i Sedan widens the appeal of the 3 Series family as a sport sedan that offers a choice of 4 and 6-cylinder engines, 6-speed manual and 8-speed automatic transmissions, and an available hybrid powertrain. BMW's xDrive intelligent all wheel drive technology is available on most models and the 3 Series will soon be available

with a 4-cylinder BMW Advanced Diesel powertrain in the 328d Sedan and Sport Wagon, with preliminary mileage estimates reaching 45 miles-per-gallon on the highway.

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