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## **BMW 6-cylinder inline M Performance TwinPower Turbo Technology Engine Takes a Spot on the 2017 Wards 10 Best Engines List**

**Woodcliff Lake, NJ – January 13, 2017...** The 6-cylinder BMW M Performance TwinPower Turbo technology engine recently won Wards 2017 10 Best Engines Award, announced at the 23<sup>rd</sup> annual celebration where nearly 600 Powertrain Engineers joined at the Renaissance Center Marriott in Detroit. Roberto Rossetti Vice President of Engineering, BMW of North America, accepted the award for the 3.0-liter inline 6-cylinder engine found in the BMW M240i. Last year the “B58” also made Wards 10 Best Engine list, praised for its modular architecture, engine performance and efficiency in the BMW 340i xDrive. This year the BMW M Performance TwinPower Turbo technology version of that same engine made a clear statement of added performance, with 15 more horsepower and an impressive 39 lb-ft of torque increase over the standard engine. BMW continues to be the undisputed all-time leader at WardsAuto 10 Best Engine Award, with 33 trophies since 1995, BMW’s legendary inline 6-cylinder engines top that list.

“Last year BMW turned 100 years and during that time our company has become famous for its iconic 6-cylinder inline engines. Today BMW continues to receive accolades in front of the most respected engineers in powertrain and technology in the industry. The inline-6 will continue to be part of BMW legacy,” said Roberto Rossetti in his speech. “Our latest addition to this family is the B58 featuring BMW M Performance TwinPower Turbo Technology, Valvetronic, Double VANOS and Direct Injection and BMW is making history once again here at Wards 10 Best Engine

celebration,” added Rossetti. “It was an incredible feat for the development team on this new set of modular engines to have up to 30-40 percent of its components shared with the 6-cylinder diesel engine and up to 60% with the 3- and 4-cylinder gasoline modular engines. One of the goals was to increase horsepower and torque while at the same time increase the efficiency on all variants. All in all, the B58 is a smoother, higher performing more efficient engine that ensures BMW delivers the true and typical driving dynamics to our customers of the Ultimate Driving Machine” concluded Rossetti.

This year Wards Auto judges were impressed by this engine, “... the B58 idles with serene confidence and revs with buttery smoothness no matter how close to the redline” stated Tom Murphy, Executive Editor at Wards Auto World. “BMW saw an opportunity in a new EfficientDynamics modular architecture for inline 3-, 4- and 6-cylinder engines all displacing 500 cc per cylinder and sharing certain dimensions and interchangeable parts. We know the modular approach works wonder because the 2.0 liter 4-cylinder B46 engine in the BMW 330i came within a hair of joining the B58 big brother on the list his year and the 1.5 liter 3-cylinder B38 that powers the MINI Cooper is a hoot, too” noted Murphy.

The award winning 6-cylinder BMW M Performance TwinPower Turbo technology engine in the BMW M240i produces 335 hp and 369 lb-ft of torque providing a 0-60 mph run of just 4.4 seconds while approaching 26 miles per gallon during Wards testing. The M240i starts at \$44,450 plus Destination and Handling and is available at dealerships.

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