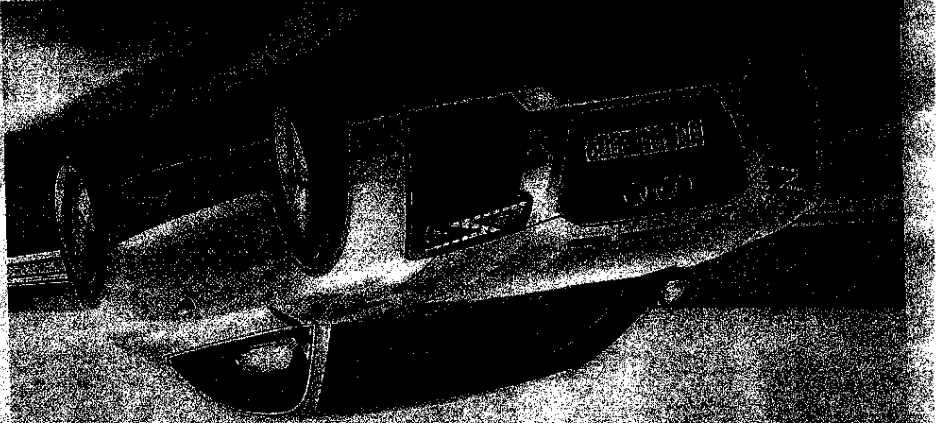


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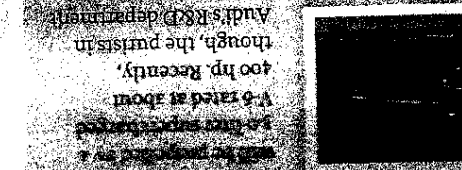


The next **BMW M5** abandons its controversial V-10—too thirsty, not sufficiently clean—in favor of a twin-turbo V-8. The direct-injection 4.8-liter unit is expected to make 550 hp. At the same time, the automated seven-speed manual transmission will be replaced by an eight-speed dual-clutch gearbox. Due in early 2011, the new M5 will be offered only in four-door form and no longer as a wagon (which is currently available in Europe).

IN BRIEF



Details that hark back to the original coupe include large four-ring decals, **Quartz** badges engraved in the polycarbonate rear windows, 24-avalanche front air intakes, and painted aluminum wheels. Three modern touches include LED running lights and adaptive underbody aerodynamics. And to this bigger makes, seven, the wheel and an all-wheel drive system with a seven-speed manual gearbox. The M5's engine will be replaced by a V-8 rated at about 400 hp. Recently, Audi's R&D department have instead proposed a 300-hp, 2.5-liter turbocharged V-6 engine.



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