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STI to introduce the SUBARU IMPREZA WRX STI "S206"

Tokyo, November 24, 2011 – Subaru Tecnica International Inc. $(STI)^{*1}$ is pleased to announce the launch of the SUBARU IMPREZA WRX STI "S206", special performance edition. The model will go on sale today through Subaru dealerships in Japan.

Based on the 4-door SUBARU IMPREZA WRX STI, S206 is the newest model in STI's "S" series. This series dons the crown of STI tuned cars with advanced driving performance and exclusively-made items in both interior and exterior designs. As with former STI models such as S204 and R205, S206 is founded on the IMPREZA WRX STI line.

In addition, "NBR CHALLENGE PACKAGE" model will be released to commemorate the class win^{*2} at 24 Hours Nürburgring endurance race held in June, with the addition of a carbon roof and original dry carbon rear spoiler. The exterior design incorporates racing car motifs and has an enhanced sporty feel.

Pre-orders for the "NBR CHALLENGE PACKAGE" have reached the limit for units available.



SUBARU IMPREZA WRX STI S206

S206's body and engine were tuned to perform as expected of STI's best model. The body employs exclusive Bilstein shock absorbers, STI coil springs, a flexible tower bar (front), and a flexible draw stiffener (front). While improving straight-driving performance, motion is steadied when going into corners so that precise and quick turning is possible. Plus, "Michelin Pilot Super Sport" tires provide refined driving comfort in combination with "BBS" 19-inch aluminum wheels made only for this model.

In the exclusively-made engine, the weight balance between piston, connecting rod, and crankshaft is optimized to enhance the rev feel. Along with a ball bearing turbocharger, ECU (Engine Control Unit) with STI tuning, and a sports muffler with lowered back pressure exhaust - all of which were designed for this model - the engine can

deliver 235kW (320PS) in maximum output and 431N.m (44kg.m) in maximum torque. The accelerator response is heightened and low to mid range torque increased, thereby offering better driveability.

On the outside, the lower front spoiler and front fender outlet grille, both designed for this model, and the trunk spoiler are among its distinctive features. The newly-made front grille and side garnishes were also employed for aerodynamics improvement and a high grade appearance.

In the interior are exclusively-made items such as a genuine leather-wrapped steering wheel, "RECARO" racing bucket seats, and seatbelts. Together they create a refined appearance and feel, appropriate for this flagship model.

*1: Subaru Tecnica International Inc. (STI; President Hiroyuki Karamatsu; located in Mitaka, Tokyo)

*2: Class SP3T

<Major equipment of Subaru Impreza S206>

-Mechanism-

STI tuned Bilstein upside down strut and STI coil springs for front suspension

STI tuned Bilstein damper and STI coil springs for rear suspension

S206 BBS designed 19-inch x 8 1/2J forged aluminum wheels (silver)

Michelin Pilot Super Sports 245/35ZR19(93Y) tires

Brembo 6-pot silver colored brake caliper with STI logo and 18-inch 2piece type drilled disk rotors for front brake Brembo 4-pot silver colored brake caliper with STI logo and 18-inch drilled disk rotors for rear brake

STI designed flexible front strut tower brace

STI designed flexible draw stiffener, front

STI designed flexible support, rear

STI designed support, front kit

STI designed lateral rink with pillow ball bush (front inside, rear inside)

S206 engine balanced with STI

STI designed S206 ECU (Engine Control Unit)

S206 twin scroll ball bearing turbocharger

STI designed S206 sport muffler with lowered back pressure exhaust

Large intercooler with S206 logo

STI designed strengthened silicon intake duct

STI designed air cleaner element

S206 multi mode VDC (Vehicle Dynamics Control)

-Interior-

S206 RECARO designed front bucket seat
S206 seat fabric, ALCANTARA® with black punching / red base, leather seat support (dark gray) with silver stitch
S206 door trim & centered arm rest (black ALCANTARA® with silver stitch)
S206 dark red colored seat belt
S206 silver side sill plate with S206 logo (front)
S206 leather lapped steering wheel with STI logo and silver stitch
STI designed leather shift knob with STI logo and leather shift boot

S206 leather side brake bootSTI designed push engine start switch (red with STI logo)S206 serial number plate (console, engine compartment)

-Exterior-S206 large front under spoiler S206 front fender outlet grille Aluminum front hood STI designed trunk lip spoiler S206 badges on front grille and rear gate STI designed side garnish with STI logo (black metallic)

-Exclusive for NBR CHALLENGE PACKAGE-Carbon roof S206 dry carbon rear spoiler (2 angle adjustable with S206 logo) BBS designed 19-inch x 8 1/2J cast aluminum wheels (black) S206 Nürburgring Challenge sticker (rear) S206 red side sill plate with S206 logo (front)

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Maximum 300 units (must be pre-ordered by May 7, 2012) [Including maximum 100 units of NBR CHALLENGE PACKAGE that must be pre-ordered by March 19, 2012] Pre-orders for the "NBR CHALLENGE PACKAGE" have reached the limit for units available. [Exterior color "Lightning Red" must be ordered by February 6, 2012]

About Fuji Heavy Industries Ltd.

Fuji Heavy Industries Ltd. (FHI), the maker of Subaru automobiles, is a leading manufacturer in Japan with a long history of technological innovations that dates back to its origin as an aircraft company. While the automotive business is a main business pillar, FHI's Aerospace, Industrial Products and Eco Technologies divisions offer a diverse range of products from general-purpose engines, power generators, and sanitation trucks to small airplanes, crucial components for passenger aircrafts, and wind-powered electricity generating systems. Recognized internationally for its AWD (all-wheel drive) technology and Horizontally-Opposed engines in Subaru, FHI is also spearheading the development of environmentally friendly products and is committed to contributing to global environmental preservation.

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