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**National Highway
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Brunswick, GA [REDACTED]

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Ref No. 10125826

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

Thank you for your correspondence dated May 31, 2005, concerning your 2003 Honda ST 1300 motorcycle. Your correspondence was received on June 10, 2005. Due to limited resources we were not able to respond to you in a more timely manner. We regret any inconvenience our delay may have caused you.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) is the Federal agency responsible for improving safety on our Nation's highways. We are authorized to order manufacturers to recall and repair vehicles or items of motor vehicle equipment when our investigations indicate that they contain serious safety defects in their design, construction, or performance. We also monitor the adequacy of manufacturers' recall campaigns. In order for the agency to initiate an investigation, we look carefully at the body of consumer complaints and other available data to determine whether a defect may exist. We cannot act on isolated problems or resolve disputes between individual owners, dealers, or manufacturers.

We appreciate the report you provided. Reports from motorists are a very important source of information for us. Each report is analyzed and entered into a database to help us determine whether an investigation into a possible safety defect is warranted.

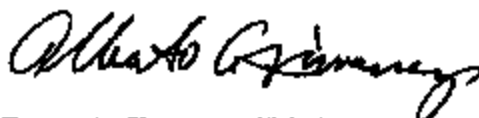
Your report concerning the corrective action for a safety recall has been forwarded to the Office of Defects Investigation's Defect Assessment Division (DAD). DAD will be contacting the American Honda Motor Company for a resolution to your problem regarding the delay of accomplishing the corrective actions.



DOT AUTO SAFETY HOTLINE
888-DASH-2-DOT
888-327-4236

If further assistance is needed, please contact Mr. Larry Long, Safety Defects Specialist at (202) 366-6281.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alberto A. Jimenez", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Alberto A. Jimenez, Chief
Correspondence Research Division
Office of Defects Investigation
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Enclosure

Cc: Defect Assessment Division