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Consumer Information

Name :

Org. Name :

Address :

City, State, Zip : Miami, FL
USA

Daytime Phone : Ext :

Evening Phone : Fax :

Email :

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Complaint Information

Description : The vehicle is a 2005 Hybrid which operates with gasoline as well as with a Nickel-Metal Hydride battery pack (also called the Integrated Motor Assist or IMA battery). On December 27, 2006, I took the car to the dealer because the trunk would not open. The service personnel told me that the IMA battery was leaking fumes and the fumes had corroded the locking mechanism of the trunk. There was rust and corrosion in several places in the trunk and the speakers of the radio were also rusted. Please see attached copy of invoice from dealer dated February 24, 2007. Previously, on July 31, 2006, the fuel door would not open, which may have been related to the leaking battery pack. (See invoice dated 7/31/07). Since I do not know if I have been exposed to the fumes or for how long or how much, I requested from the service department and the manufacturer, many times, the chemicals found in the IMA battery pack. I have not been provided with the information. Please see copy of invoice from dealer dated March 14, 2007, where the findings have been modified. This may be cause for concern.

Incident Date : 12/27/2006

Fire : No

Num. Failures :

Property Damage : No

Num. Deaths :

Crash : No

Num. Injured :

Police Report : No

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Vehicle Information

VIN :	JHMCN36485C	Purchase Date :	12/27/2006
Manufacturer :	HONDA (AMERICAN HONDA MOTOR CO.)		
Year, Make and Model :	2005/HONDA/ACCORD	Original Owner :	Yes
# of Cylinders :	6	Trans. Type :	AUTOMATIC
Engine Size :	3.0 liter	VehicleDetails Usage :	
Cruise Control :	Yes	Antilock Brakes :	Yes
Current Mileage :	18723	Speed :	0
Failure Mileage :	18723	Powertrain :	FRONT WHEEL DRIVE
Body Style :	4-DOOR	Fuel System :	FUEL INJECTION
Fuel Type :	HYBRID ELECTRIC	Vehicle Type :	PASSENGER CAR

Vehicle Component Information

Component 1: ELECTRICAL SYSTEM:BATTERY **OEM:** Yes

Vehicle Dealer Information

Dealer : 1

Name :	South Motors Honda	Dealer Type :	SERVICE DEALER
Address :	16165 South Dixie Highway		
	Miami FL 33157		
Dealer Phone:	305 238-0900	Dealer Fax:	786 242-1131
Email:			

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