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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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Washington, DC 20590

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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your correspondence dated July 7, 2007, concerning your model year (MY) 2007 Ducati 1098 motorcycle. Your correspondence was received by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA) Office of Defects Investigation on July 19, 2007.

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. 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 previous 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 determine whether an investigation into a possible safety defect is warranted.

A review of our database relative to stalling in MY 2007 Ducati 1098 motorcycles revealed insufficient evidence to warrant opening a safety defect investigation at this time. The information you provided has been entered into our database. It will be considered with future reports to identify any safety defect trends that may require our attention.

If you have not done so, you may consider contacting your local Consumer Protection Agency, Better Business Bureau, or the North Carolina Office of the Attorney General regarding your problem and your rights under the North Carolina Lemon Law. You may also ask your dealership for a meeting with the district manager regarding your problem.

Our database has revealed that there are two safety-related defect recalls on the MY 2007 Ducati 1098 motorcycles that may be of interest to you. We have enclosed copies of the recall summaries for your information. Please contact your local dealership or manufacturer for further details and have your make, model, model year, and vehicle identification number available for their information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. DeMeter', followed by a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Kathleen C. DeMeter, Director
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement

Enclosure: Recalls