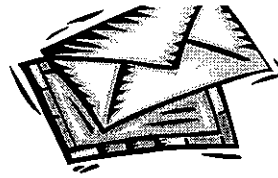


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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 24, 2008 3:09 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Your e-mail to FHWA

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Ms. [REDACTED]

Thank you for your response. I ride a 2005 Honda Goldwing GL1800 motorcycle I purchased new in November of 2004. It currently has 22650 miles on the odometer.

On Wednesday, April 16, I had ridden to an evening event in Seattle. On arrival at my destination, I put down the side stand and shut down the engine. When I stood up on the pegs to dismount, the right peg snapped off just above the hinge point. After the initial annoyance of having to have it repaired, the scare-factor started when I pondered the consequences of the peg snapping while traveling down the road. Every rider I know will, at one time or another, put their full body weight on the pegs. Sometimes to use leg muscles to absorb a road shock, sometimes to stand up and stretch after a few hours of riding or just to reposition themselves on the seat to relieve a pressure point.

I managed to get home safely and the next day took it to my dealer. The Service Manager indicated that he had not seen a foot peg break like that before and based on the appearance of the metal in the break plane, he felt that it might be a casting defect.

I am a member of the Gold Wing Road Riders Association and I posted on their message board to learn if this was a common occurrence and to find out about possible after market replacement parts. I read that a number of other riders had experienced the same event and in some cases, while under way. One of my associates suggested that this might be an issue for investigation by the NTSB. I searched the website and caught the link to the NHTSA and now we are having this email conversation.

If you or an investigator need further information or clarification, please use my home business email:

[REDACTED] I am also available at my home phone: [REDACTED] or on my cell phone: [REDACTED]. Both phones have voice mail.

Thank you again.

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 24, 2008 9:46 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Your e-mail to FHWA

Mr. [REDACTED]

Your e-mail forwarded to me from FHWA regarding an incident with your motorcycle. I am trying to assign your e-mail to one of our program offices for response but I need a little more information such as are you requesting a defect investigation or is there a compliance issue, etc. You can send the info to me via e-mail and I will forward to the appropriate program office for response. Thanks!

[REDACTED]

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Phone: [REDACTED]

Fax: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

From: FHWA, ExecSecretariat <FHWA>
Sent: Tuesday, April 22, 2008 7:55 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Vehicle issue

I am forwarding an e-mail that we received that concerns an issue of importance to NHTSA. Thank you.

[REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, April 21, 2008 10:37 AM
To: FHWA, ExecSecretariat <FHWA>
Subject: Vehicle issue

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[REDACTED]

Good Morning, I had an incident last week on my motorcycle that one of my on-line correspondents suggested might me an issue to elevated to the NTSB for investigation and possible corrective action to the manufacturer. I contacted the NTSB and they suggested your organization or the NHTSA would be a better contact for my situation. Please tell me what office or division I should contact. Thank you.

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