



U.S. Department
of Transportation
**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. Danny Lang, Esq.
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NVS-216 et
Ref. No. 10290675

Dear Mr. Lang:

Thank you for your correspondence concerning a crash involving a model year (MY) 2006 Suzuki GSX-R600 motorcycle, which resulted in the death of [REDACTED]. Your correspondence was received on October 29, 2009.

On behalf of NHTSA, please accept our sincere condolences for the tragic death of [REDACTED]. We certainly understand and commend your efforts to ensure that a similar crash does not occur. Our primary mission at NHTSA is to help reduce the frequency and severity of such crashes through developing and enforcing Federal vehicle safety standards, ensuring the recall of vehicles and vehicle equipment containing safety related defects, and promoting educational efforts on highway safety.

We appreciate the report you provided. Reports from motorists are a very important source of information for us. We reviewed our database in an effort to identify whether a safety defect trend exists with frame cracking or breakage in MY 2006 GSX-R600 motorcycles. At this time, there is insufficient evidence to warrant opening a safety defect investigation. 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.

Again, please accept our sincere condolences and should you or your clients encounter a safety-related problem with a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment in the future, we would appreciate it if you would complete an electronic Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire online at <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/ivoq> or call the Auto Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236. Also, a



summary listing of vehicle owners' complaints, safety recalls, manufacturers' service bulletins, etc. can be obtained at <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/problems>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Randy Reid".

Randy Reid, Chief
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