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June 15, 2011

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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Room 5232, 400 7th street, SW
Washington DC 20590

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am submitting the enclosed pictures as supporting documentation in reference to the complaint concerning my defective Ducati motorcycle fuel tank filed on 14 Jun 11 via phone, (NHTSA ODI# 10406268) vin# ZDM1VA2K86E [REDACTED]. Please keep these pictures on file and use them as you see fit.

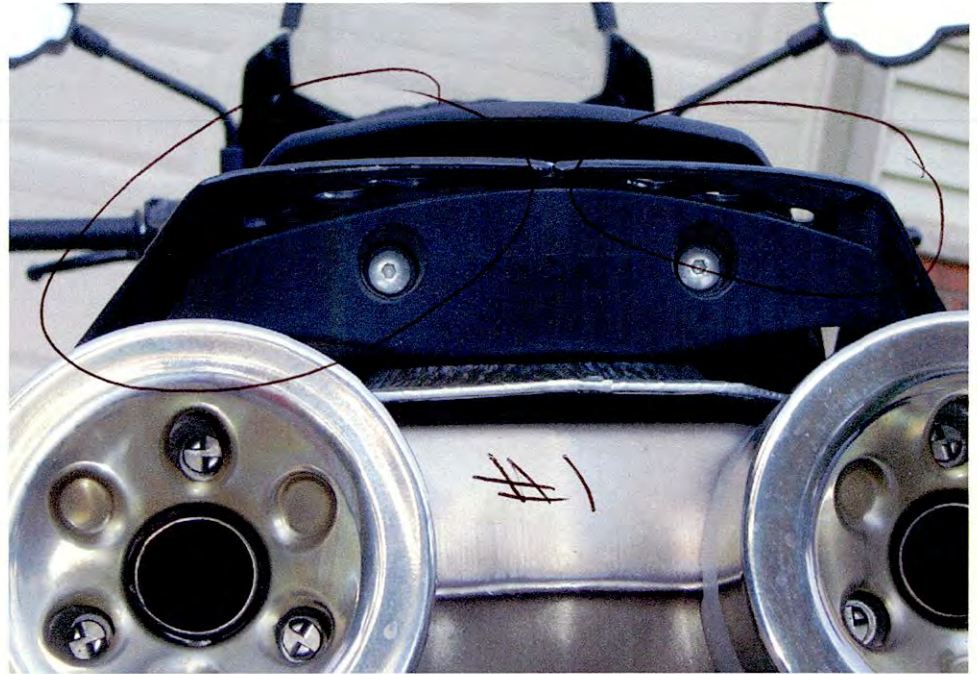
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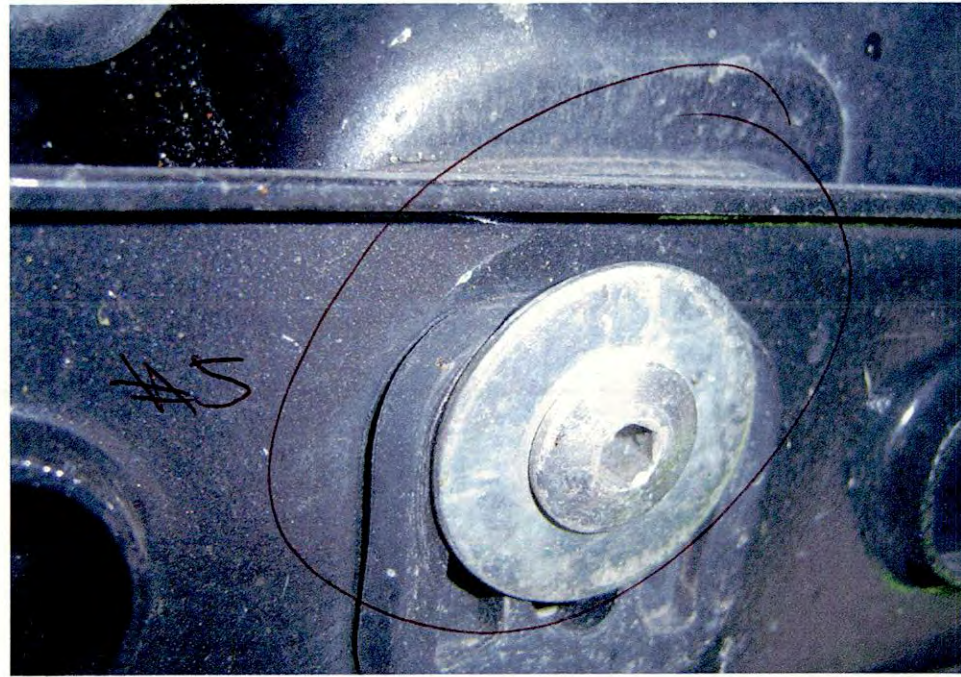
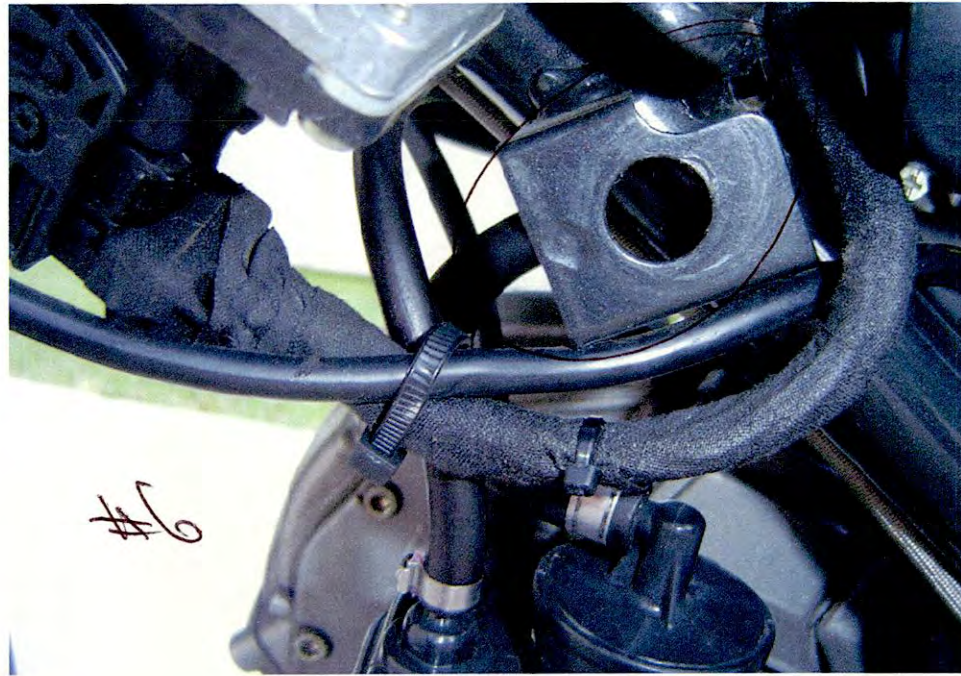
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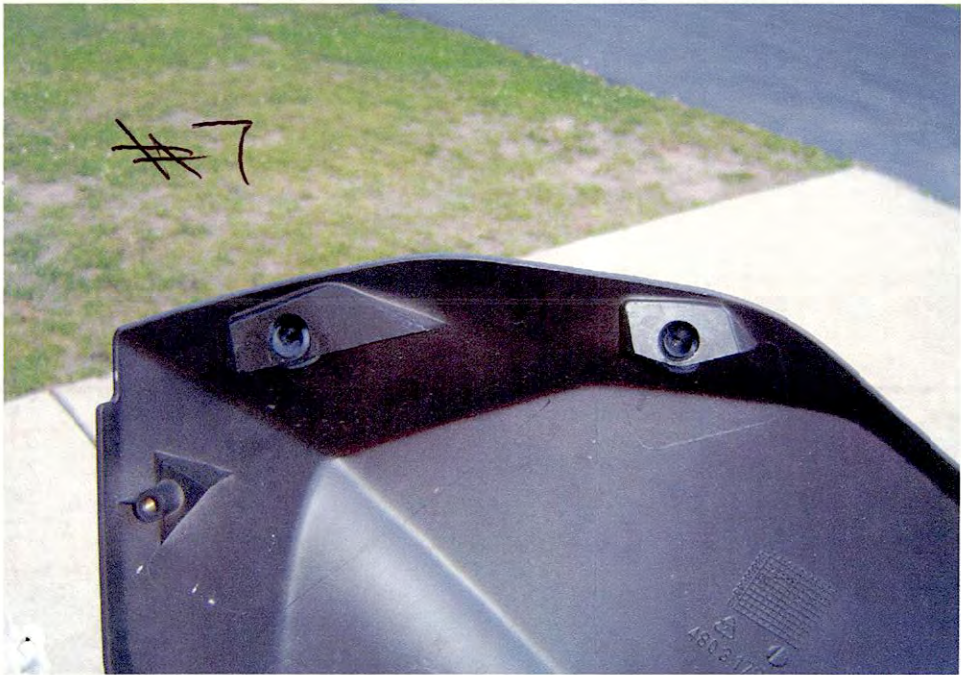
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- Photo #1 Rear of bike looking forward, note large gaps in panels where they should lay flat, caused by tank expanding rearward, forcing body panels upward and out of shape.
- Photo #2 Rear side rear panel(s) forced outward due to tank expansion.
- Photo #3 Passenger seat forward retaining anchor hooks, adjusted to maximum forward position, still unable to secure front of passenger seat due to horizontal tank expansion.
- Photo #4 Additional view of passenger seat retention hook failure to engage due to horizontal tank expansion.
- Photo #5 Rear tank to frame mounting bolt forced backward against the frame defeating the purpose of its rubber cushion isolator, due to horizontal tank expansion.
- Photo(s) #6 Left front side panel mount at frame and the corresponding pin/mount on the side panel. The bayonet style male pin attached to the side panel no longer aligns with this hole resulting in the inability to properly secure the panel, (retention safety clip Ducati PN# 79911901 can no longer be utilized) due to the vertical expansion of the tank.
- Photo #7 Deformed side panel rubber retention grommets, due to dimensional tank expansion.
- Photo #8 Under seat tank to frame mounting bolts showing excessive horizontal misalignment.
- Photo #9 Tank to frame mounting bolts showing excessive misalignment due to tank deformation and expansion.

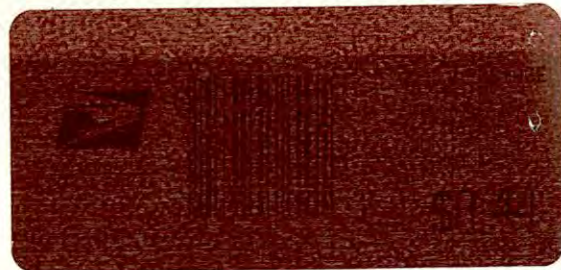






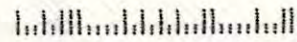


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