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Subject: Honda Motors Case # [REDACTED]; NHTSA Case #11515306
To: acr@ahm.acura.com, nhtsa.webmaster@dot.gov
Cc: [REDACTED]

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Good Day,

After not receiving a response to the below e-mail I called Honda Motors on the morning of August 3, 2023 and spoke with Jessica. She reached out to the case manager assigned to me and he finally called me at approximately 7:30 p.m. EDT of the same day. He said he would reach out to the dealership and get back in touch with me by Tuesday (August 8, 2023) of the next week which he failed to do. I called Honda Motors again on August 10. Ferdinand (1-800-999-1009, ext 87034) told me that he had spoken to Brandon Mosel at Priority Acura in Chesapeake, VA who stated that I had not brought my car in for the dash assessment but rather a free oil change (known as their 'Priorities for Life' since I bought the vehicle from their dealership in October 2014). I advised Ferdinand that the paperwork I received from Priority Acura on the day of my appointment, July 10, 2023, cited not only the Honda Motors Case # [REDACTED] but also the NHTSA Case # 11515306. I also let him know that Brandon Mosel had specifically stated to me that he was surprised that the dash had not cracked prior to December 2022 as most crack much sooner. He again said that he would reach back out to Priority Acura and speak to a service manager and get back in touch with me by Tuesday (August 15, 2023). Ferdinand failed to call me as promised so I called and left him a voice mail on August 21, 2023; August 22, 2023 and August 30, 2023 – I never received a returned phone call.

Further, I asked Ferdinand to send me an e-mail when I spoke with him on both August 3 and August 10 so I could reply to him with all of the below documentation, including the pictures of the dash and also offered that I could get a copy of the service record from Great Bridge Muffler in Chesapeake, VA to show that the car had been immaculately maintained. He said he would both times but never did.

In addition to the dash issue, I now have a new problem caused by me taking advantage of Priority Acura's free oil change on July 10. My car has never had an oil leak. When I took the car to my trusted mechanics at Great Bridge Muffler on August 17, 2023 I noticed a puddle of clean oil left behind in my garage. I called Great Bridge Muffler and told them about the situation, explaining that I had had the oil changed by Priority Acura on July 10, 2023. Great Bridge Muffler said that when the mechanic touched the oil drain pan it literally fell into his hand. He installed an insert for the oil pan drain plug for a cost of \$160.65 (part \$15.65, labor \$145) and said to keep a close eye on it for oil loss. They specifically stated that the 'drain plug was over tightened and threads pulled out – may need oil pan replaced with an estimate of \$670 (part \$325, labor \$345).

As I stated to Ferdinand during both of our conversations: my request is that Honda Motors pay both parts and labor to replace the dash and passenger airbag as it is of no fault of mine that the crack occurred. All of the information in the internet links provided below state the faulty dash, causing degradation of the air bag, was a common problem for the 3rd generation Acura TL model years 2004 – 2008 and, as a result, these models were not included in the Takata air bag recalls. I am further requesting that the dealership pay to replace my oil pan that they damaged on July 10, 2023.

I have attached the report from Priority Acura as well as the report regarding the oil pan from Great Bridge Muffler

and the pictures I took of the cracked dash.

To say that as a long time Honda product worshiper I am enormously disappointed in Honda motors is a huge understatement.

I would truly appreciate your timely response to this e-mail and immediate remediation of the problems that I have brought to your attention.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]

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Thank you,

Ann-Marie Ambrose

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Invoice No [REDACTED]

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Priority Acura #590

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CHESAPEAKE, VA

Home: [REDACTED]

Bus: [REDACTED]

Cell: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED] home

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SERVICE ADVISOR: 266257 Brandon D Mosel

COLOR		YEAR	MAKE/MODEL		VIN		LICENSE	MILEAGE IN / OUT		TAG
RED		07	ACURA TL		19UUA66267A			167347 / 167347		
DEL. DATE		PROD. DATE	WARR. EXP.	PROMISED		PO NO.	RATE	PAYMENT	INV. DATE	
17OCT14				17:00 10JUL23			0.00	CASH	10JUL23	
R.O. OPENED			READY		OPTIONS: SOLD-STK PLR:?					
13:08 10JUL23			15:28 10JUL23							

LINE	OPCODE	TECH	TYPE	HOURS	LIST	NET	TOTAL
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A CUSTOMER STATES CUSTOMER STATES THAT THERE'S TWO CRACKS ON THE DASH BY THE AIRBAG, IT HAPPENED DURING THE WINTER. HONDA MOTORS CASE NUMBER [REDACTED] NHTSA CASE NUMBER 11515306
MISC MISC

266298 CR 0.00 0.00
PARTS: 0.00 LABOR: 0.00 OTHER: 0.00 TOTAL LINE A: 0.00
167347 requested quote for replacing

B PRIORITIES FOR LIFE OIL CHANGE SERVICE SOLD OTHER LOCATION-PRIORITY HONDA

POCO PRIORITIES FOR LIFE OIL CHANGE SERVICE SOLD

OTHER LOCATION-PRIORITY HONDA

266298IP4LO

1 15400-RTA-003 FILTER, OIL

1 94109-14000 WASHER, DRAIN (14MM)

5 OIL 5W-20 SYN BLEND API-SN

PARTS: 0.00 LABOR: 0.00 OTHER: 0.00 TOTAL LINE B: 0.00
167347 changed engine oil and filter

C MULTI POINT INSPECTION

MPI MULTI POINT INSPECTION

999 CR

PARTS: 0.00 LABOR: 0.00 OTHER: 0.00 TOTAL LINE C: 0.00

ESTIMATE: 7.00 10JUL23 13:08 SA: 266257

CONTACT:

*****THE FOLLOWING WORK WAS RECOMMENDED BUT NOT PERFORMED*****

DESCRIPTION: replace the dash board. cracking a little

REASON DENIED: DEC

"I acknowledge notice and oral approval of an increase in the original estimated price. Signature or initials"

STATEMENT OF DISCLAIMER AND ARBITRATION AGREEMENT

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ON BEHALF OF SERVICING DEALER, I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREON IS ACCURATE UNLESS OTHERWISE SHOWN. SERVICES DESCRIBED WERE PERFORMED AT NO CHARGE TO OWNER. THERE WAS NO INDICATION FROM THE APPEARANCE OF THE VEHICLE OR OTHERWISE, THAT ANY PART REPAIRED OR REPLACED UNDER THIS CLAIM HAD BEEN CONNECTED IN ANY WAY WITH ANY ACCIDENT, NEGLIGENCE OR MISUSE. RECORDS SUPPORTING THIS CLAIM ARE AVAILABLE FOR (1) YEAR FROM THE DATE OF PAYMENT NOTIFICATION AT THE SERVICING DEALER FOR INSPECTION BY MANUFACTURER'S REPRESENTATIVE.

*SHOP SUPPLY COSTS:

We have added a charge equal to 15% of the total cost of labor and parts, not to exceed \$45, to the Repair Order for shop supplies used in connection with this repair.

DESCRIPTION	TOTALS
LABOR AMOUNT	
PARTS AMOUNT	
GAS, OIL, LUBE	
SUBLET AMOUNT	
MISC. CHARGES	
TOTAL CHARGES	
LESS INS/DED/DIS	
SALES TAX	
PLEASE PAY THIS AMOUNT	

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Home: [REDACTED] Bus: [REDACTED]

Cell: [REDACTED]

Email: email [REDACTED] home

SERVICE ADVISOR: 266257 **Brandan D Mosel**

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LINE	OPCODE	TECH	TYPE	HOURS	LIST	NET	TOTAL
	BDC	APPT	CREATED	2023-07-06			
	11:54:00AM	TAKEN	BY	BELLA			
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PARTS AMOUNT	\$ 0.00
GAS, OIL, LUBE	\$ 0.00
SUBLET AMOUNT	\$ 0.00
MISC. CHARGES	\$ 0.00
TOTAL CHARGES	\$ 0.00
LESS INS/DED/DIS	\$ 0.00
SALES TAX	\$ 0.00
PLEASE PAY THIS AMOUNT	\$ 0.00

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Multi-Point Inspection Checklist

Lithia Priority Acura
1701 S Military Highway
Chesapeake, VA 23325

Repair Order # [REDACTED]	Customer Information			Vehicle Information		
	Name [REDACTED]	Phone Number [REDACTED]	Today's Date 07/10/2023	Year 2007	Make Acura	Model TL
	Email address [REDACTED]			Mileage 167347	VIN 19UUA66267A	
State Inspection Due						

Legend						
☒ Passed Inspection	☐ May Require Attention	☐ Requires Attention	NI = Not Inspected	NA = Not Applicable	* = See Comments	

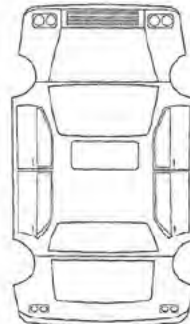
Check the Following Systems or Components

Lights/Horn/Blades		NI/NA
Lights: Interior & Exterior, Turn Signals, Hazard, Brake	☒ ☐ ☐	
Horn Operation	☒ ☐ ☐	
Front Wiper Blades	☒ ☐ ☐	
Rear Wiper Blades	☒ ☐ ☐	
Fluids	Fill?	NI/NA
Window Washer Reservoir	☒ ☐ ☐	
Coolant Reservoir	☒ ☐ ☐	
Coolant Protection (Good to ____ °F)	☒ ☐ ☐	
Engine Oil	☒ ☐ ☐	
Power Steering Reservoir	☒ ☐ ☐	
Battery (if not maintenance free)	☒ ☐ ☐	
Transmission Fluid	☒ ☐ ☐	
Brake Fluid Reservoir	☒ ☐ ☐	
Filters		NI/NA
Engine Air Filter	☒ ☐ ☐	
Fuel Filter	☒ ☐ ☐	
Cabin Air Filter	☒ ☐ ☐	

Battery		NI/NA
Battery Condition	☒ ☐ ☐	
Battery Cables and Connections	☒ ☐ ☐	
Factory Spec Cold Cranking Amps ____ amps		
Actual Cold Cranking Amps ____ amps		
Inspect for Visual Leaks		NI/NA
Fuel System and Gas Cap Seating	☒ ☐ ☐	
Engine, Transmission, Transfer Case, and Brakes	☒ ☐ ☐	
Engine Cooling System	☒ ☐ ☐	
Shocks and Struts - leaks and operation	☒ ☐ ☐	
Inspect for Visual Condition		NI/NA
Belts: (Engine, A/C, Accessory, and other)	☒ ☐ ☐	
Air Conditioning Temperature ____ °F	☒ ☐ ☐	
Exhaust System Components	☒ ☐ ☐	
Hoses: (Radiator, Power Steering, Heater, and A/C)	☒ ☐ ☐	
Steering Components and Linkage	☒ ☐ ☐	
Driveshaft, Drive Axle Boots, and U-joints	☒ ☐ ☐	

Tire / Brake Wear

Left Front	
☒ ☐ ☐	Tire Tread Depth <u>7</u> / 32"
☒ ☐ ☐	Tire Wear
☒ ☐ ☐	Tire Pressure @ ____ Set to ____
☒ ☐ ☐	Brake Lining ____ mm <u>7</u> / 32"
NI/NA	
Left Rear	
☒ ☐ ☐	Tire Tread Depth <u>11</u> / 32"
☒ ☐ ☐	Tire Wear
☒ ☐ ☐	Tire Pressure @ ____ Set to ____
☒ ☐ ☐	Brake Lining ____ mm <u>4</u> / 32"
NI/NA	



Right Front	
☒ ☐ ☐	Tire Tread Depth <u>7</u> / 32"
☒ ☐ ☐	Tire Wear
☒ ☐ ☐	Tire Pressure @ ____ Set to ____
☒ ☐ ☐	Brake Lining ____ mm <u>7</u> / 32"
NI/NA	
Right Rear	
☒ ☐ ☐	Tire Tread Depth <u>11</u> / 32"
☒ ☐ ☐	Tire Wear
☒ ☐ ☐	Tire Pressure @ ____ Set to ____
☒ ☐ ☐	Brake Lining ____ mm <u>4</u> / 32"
NI/NA	

Tire Wear Indicators					
Alignment Needed	☒ ☐ ☐	Tire Rotation Needed	☒ ☐ ☐	Wheel Balance Needed	☒ ☐ ☐
NI/NA		NI/NA		NI/NA	

Comments:		
Brandon Moseley Service Advisor	Gavin Wright Technician	Customer Signature

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CUSTOMER NO.	[REDACTED]		SERVICE ADVISOR	Brandon Moseley	TAG NO.	[REDACTED]	INVOICE DATE	[REDACTED]
	HOURLY RATE	LICENSE NO.	MILEAGE IN	167347	COLOR	RED	STOCK NO.	
	YEAR/MAKE/MODEL	2007 Acura TL			DELIVERY DATE	10/17/2014	MILEAGE OUT	
CHESAPEAKE, VA	VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NO.		19UUA66267A		STILLING SCALE NO.		WARRANTY	
	CELL PHONE	[REDACTED]	R.O. #	[REDACTED]	R.O. DATE	07/10/2023	FLYSET NO.	
TEL HOME	[REDACTED]		COMMENTS					

LINE	OP CODE	DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATE
# A		replace the dash board. cracking a little replace the dash board. cracking a little Parts: PANEL *NH167L*, Qty 1.00, CR	Labor 1487.07 Parts 1851.16 Misc 0.00 Discount (0.00) Line Total 3338.23
# B	TB03	REPLACE TIMING BELT, DRIVE BELTS/BELT, CRANK SEAL AND WATER PUMP REPLACE TIMING BELT, DRIVE BELTS/BELT, CRANK SEAL AND WATER PUMP Parts: BELT, COMPRESSOR, Qty 1.00, CR BELT, TIMING, Qty 1.00, CR TENSIONER, Qty 1.00, CR OIL SEAL (41X56X7), Qty 1.00, CR WATER PUMP, Qty 1.00, CR COOLANT (TYPE-2), Qty 1.00, CR	Labor 850.00 Parts 689.62 Misc 0.00 Discount (0.00) Line Total 1539.62
# C	MA75	Spark Plugs - Replace Spark Plugs - Replace Parts: SPARK PLUGS, Qty 6.00, CR	Labor 174.95 Parts 155.94 Misc 0.00 Discount (0.00) Line Total 330.89
# D		oil pump reseal (3.5 with belt) oil pump reseal (3.5 with belt) Parts: O-RING, Qty 1.00, CR GASKET, OIL HOLE, Qty 1.00, CR FILTER, SPOOL VALVE, Qty 1.00, CR GSKT, SOLENOID BASE, Qty 1.00, CR ULTRA FLG SEALANTII, Qty 1.00, CR	Labor 850.00 Parts 104.06 Misc 0.00 Discount (0.00) Line Total 954.06
# E	EN19	Seal, Rear Main Engine - Replace Seal, Rear Main Engine - Replace Parts: OIL SEAL (80X98X8), Qty 1.00, CR O-RING (26.2X2.4), Qty 1.00, CR	Labor 2961.56 Parts 42.10 Misc 0.00 Discount (0.00) Line Total 3003.66

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[REDACTED] CHESAPEAKE, VA [REDACTED] [REDACTED]			HOURLY RATE	LICENSE NO.	MILEAGE IN	167347		COLOR	RED		
			YEAR/MAKE/MODEL					2007 Acura TL		DELIVERY DATE	10/17/2014
			VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NO.					19UUA66267A		SELLING DEALER NO.	[REDACTED]
			CELL PHONE	[REDACTED]	RO #	[REDACTED]	ROJ. DATE	07/10/2023	FLEET NO.	[REDACTED]	
TEL HOME	[REDACTED]	TEL BUSINESS	COMMENTS								

Subtotal	9166.46
Shop Charges	0.00
Sales Tax	549.99
Total	9716.45

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Estimate Expires on 08/09/2023

GREAT BRIDGE MUFFLER & BRAKE

1224 CEDAR ROAD
CHESAPEAKE, VA 23320
757-548-3572

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8/17/2023, 9:02 AM
Estimate

CELL: 2007 ACURA TL
CHESAPEAKE, VA ACCOUNT #: ODOM IN/OUT: 168181 / 168181
19UUA66267A
3.2L 6 Cyl.

191.81 VISA

Sales: 135:JIMMY

Tech: 310:Phillip

Tech: 135:JIMMY

Qty	Item Number	Description	Each	Labor	Misc	Extended
Inspection						
1	INSP	STATE INSPECTION		20.00		20.00
310		Sub-Total Inspection:				20.00
Misc						
1	CUSTOM	INSTALL INSURT FOR OIL PAN DRAIN PLUG	15.65	145.00		160.65
		EPA CHARGE/SHOP SUPP:				9.64
135		Sub-Total Misc:				170.29

Parts	15.65
Labor	165.00
EPA CHARGE/SHOP SUPP	9.64
Sub-Total	190.29
STE TAX	1.52
Grand Total	191.81

Drain plug was over tighten and threads pulled out & leaking . Had to put insurt in oil pan

May need oil pan replaced Oil pan 325.00 labor 345.00 total est \$670.00 plus oil change & tax

SIGNATURE

8/17/2023







