



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

ODI RESUME

Investigation: RQ08-007
Date Closed: 1/8/2009
Principal Investigator: *Bob Young*
Subject: Steering neck separation
Prompted by: Safety recall 08V-129

Manufacturer: Big Bear American Made Choppers, Inc. (BBC)
Products: MY 2004-5 Sled, Venom, and Devil's Advocate "Pro-street" models
Population: 478

Problem Description: Sub-standard steering neck weld.

FAILURE REPORT SUMMARY

	ODI	Manufacturer	Total
Complaints:	0	**	0
Crashes/Fires:	0	0	0
Injury Incidents:	0	0	0
# Injuries:	0	0	0
Fatality Incidents:	0	0	0
# Fatalities:	0	0	0
Other*:	1	0	1

*Description of Other: Safety recall 08V-129 ** Recall expansion in lieu of IR response

Action: BBC expands recall to include subject motorcycles. Close this RQ.

Engineer: *Bob Young* Date: 1/8/2009
Div. Chief: *Richard Boyd* Date: 1/8/2009
Office Dir.: *Kathleen C. DeMeter* Date: 1/8/2009

Summary: We opened this RQ to explore Big Bear Chopper's (BBC) rationale for limiting the scope of safety recall 08V-129 to only "Chopper" versions of the referenced models rather than including the "Pro-Street" versions too. Subsequently, on December 30, 2008, BBC decided to expand the scope of the safety recall to include the Pro-Street versions of the MY 2004-5 "Devil's Advocate," "SLED," and "Venom" models. With BBC's decision, in lieu of responding to ODI's information request, this RQ is closed.

Resume E-mailed to BBC, 1-9-09 @ ~ 12:30P EST