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Frank Borris, Chief  
Vehicle Integrity Division  
Office of Defects Investigation  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
1200 New Jersey Ave., SE  
Washington, DC 20590

**Re: EA11-012**

**2002-04 CR-V, 2003-08 Element, 2003-05 Pilot, 2000-02 Insight, 2001-03 Civic and  
2007-08 Fit  
Low beam headlight failure**

Dear Mr. Borris:

Upon reviewing our data submitted on April 20, 2012 for Q1, we discovered that some of the counts for crash and injury reports for 2001 Civic, 2003 Civic and 2008 Fit were incorrectly counted. Please find a corrected Q1 data table (below) along with a corrected "Attachment #Q1" pdf file (separate attachment).

1. State the number of each of the following, received by Honda, or of which Honda is otherwise aware, which relate to, or may relate to, the alleged defect in the subject vehicles:
  - a. Consumer complaints;
  - b. Field reports, including dealer field reports;
  - c. Reports involving a fire, crash, injury, or fatality, based on claims against the manufacturer involving a death or injury, notices received by the manufacturer alleging or proving that a death or injury was caused by the alleged defect in a subject vehicle, property damage claims, consumer complaints, or field reports;
  - d. Third-party arbitration proceedings where Honda is or was a party to the arbitration; and
  - e. Lawsuits, both pending and closed, in which Honda is or was a defendant or codefendant.

For subparts "a" through "e" state the total number of each item (e.g., consumer complaints, reports from retailers, etc.) separately. Multiple incidents involving the same vehicle are to be counted separately. Multiple reports of the same incident are also to be counted separately (i.e., a consumer complaint and a field report involving the same incident in which a crash occurred are to be counted as a crash report, a field report and a consumer complaint).

In addition, for items "c" provide a summary description of the alleged problem and causal and contributing factors and Honda's assessment of the problem, with a summary of the significant underlying facts and evidence. For items "d" and "e" identify the parties to the action, as well as the caption, court, docket number, and date on which the complaint or other document initiating the action was filed.

**Response:**

The total number of reports for items "a" through "e" are stated in the table below. See Attachment #Q1 on enclosed CD for summary description for items "c" and "e". Honda did not identify any relevant reports for items "d".

Note: Honda does not have any fleets or participate in fleet sales.

Model	Model Year	A Consumer Complaints	B Field/ Dealer Reports	C-1 Fire Reports	C-2 Crash Reports	C-3 Injury Reports	C-4 Fatality Reports	D Third- Party Arbitratio n	E Lawsuits
CR-V	2002	52	16	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2003	19	13	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2004	21	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
Element	2003	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2004	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2005	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	1
	2006	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2007	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2008	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pilot	2003	30	16	0	1	0	0	0	0
	2004	8	8	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2005	12	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
Insight	2000	42	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
	2001	21	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2002	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Civic	2001	760	16	0	2	1	0	0	1
	2002	293	3	0	1	0	0	0	0
	2003	33	5	0	1	1	0	0	1
Fit	2007	97	78	0	4	0	0	0	0
	2008	12	5	0	3	2	0	0	1

Source(s): Customer Relations, Tech Line, Field Reports, Claims and Lawsuits.  
 As of: April 2, 2012

Sincerely,

AMERICAN HONDA MOTOR CO., INC.



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 Senior Manager  
 Product Regulatory Office

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Attachments

VIN	Report Type	Type	Source No.	Model	Model year	Summary
1HGES15201L [REDACTED]	CRASH	CONSUMER COMPLAINT	N032010-09-1302970	CIVIC	2001	HEADLIGHTS WENT OUT AND HIT A DEER Single vehicle automobile accident (October 13, 2003 at 9:27 p.m. on Reece Road near the intersection of Jacobs Road in Anne Arundel County, Maryland.) Plaintiff [REDACTED] was driving a 2001 Honda Civic (VIN 1HGEM22931L [REDACTED]) when the headlights of the vehicle failed. As a result of the headlight failure, it is alleged that plaintiff lost control of the Civic and the Civic went off the road and rolled over. Plaintiff was ejected and sustained significant injuries including the amputation of his right leg. [REDACTED] was 19 years old at the time of the accident.
1HGEM22931L [REDACTED]	CRASH INJURY LAWSUIT	CLAIM	062724	CIVIC	2001	According to plaintiff's complaint, the failure of the headlights in the Civic resulted from the headlight Safety Recall 04-015. According to plaintiff's complaint, although Honda initiated an investigation in September, 2001, that resulted in this recall, the recall was not effected until February 12, 2004, after plaintiff's accident.  Plaintiff's allegations:  1. headlight failure resulting from combination light switch recall
SHHEP33572U [REDACTED]	CRASH	CONSUMER COMPLAINT	N012010-04-1501539	CIVIC HB	2002	HEADLIGHTS FAILED ALLEGEDLY CAUSING DRIVER TO CRASH INTO MOUNTAIN. VIN NOT INCLUDED IN RECALL. REFERRED CUSTOMER TO

2HGES16563H [REDACTED]	CRASH INJURY LAWSUIT	CLAIM	053034	CIVIC	2003	<p>AT CLAIM STAGE:</p> <p>8/4/05 TC</p> <p>Customer is claiming faulty headlights (recall notice) were the cause of her accident.</p> <p>AT LITIGATION:</p> <p>[REDACTED], the driver of the opposing vehicle, claims that the accident occurred because he could not see the Bricker vehicle. Based on this contention, Plaintiffs, the Brickers, have alleged in the alternative that the accident may have been the result of a malfunction of</p>
5J6YH18375L [REDACTED]	LAWSUIT	CLAIM	075135	ELEMENT	2005	<p>Plaintiff alleges the dealer concealed the existence of the Honda Certified Use Car 7 year /1000,000 mile powertrain warranty and 1 year / 120,000 mile comprehensive warranty. The vehicle contained serious pre-existing defects when it was delivered to Plaintiffs, including, but not limited to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Defective air conditioning system;</li> <li>b. An inappropriate noise when driving over bumps;</li> <li>c. A no crank, no start condition;</li> <li>d. Defective headlight switch; and</li> </ul>
JHMGD38687S [REDACTED]	CRASH	CONSUMER COMPLAINT	N012011-02-0801203	FIT	2007	LIGHTS WENT OUT ON HER VEHICLE PREVENTING HER FROM SEEING THE MEDIAN
JHMGD38687S [REDACTED]	CRASH	CONSUMER COMPLAINT	N032011-02-0801170	FIT	2007	UNABLE TO SEE CLEARLY WHICH CAUSED HER TO RUN OVER A CENTER MEDIAN.
JHMGD38417S [REDACTED]	CRASH	CONSUMER COMPLAINT	N012011-02-0801241	FIT	2007	HEADLIGHTS WENT OUT AND RUN INTO A DITCH.
JHMGD38417S [REDACTED]	CRASH	CONSUMER COMPLAINT	N032011-02-0801201	FIT	2007	LIGHTS WENT OUT ON THE VEHICLE.
JHMGD38698S [REDACTED]	CRASH INJURY	CONSUMER COMPLAINT	N012011-02-2103363	FIT	2008	ACCIDENT WAS LIKELY ATTRIBUTED TO SAFETY RECALL 10-082 FOR THE HEADLIGHTS.

JHMGD38698S [REDACTED]	CRASH	CONSUMER COMPLAINT	N032011-02-2103355	FIT	2008	FATHERS HEADLIGHTS MAY HAVE BEEN FAULTY WHICH CAUSED THE ACCIDENT
JHMGD38698S [REDACTED]	CRASH INJURY LAWUIT	CLAIM	085554	FIT	2008	Recall notice - headlights
JHMZE1355YT [REDACTED]	CRASH	CONSUMER COMPLAINT	N012004-10-2700742	INSIGHT	2000	HEADLIGHTS FAILED, THEN CUSTOMER HIT A BOULDER AND DAMAGED HER FRONT
N/A	CRASH	CONSUMER COMPLAINT	N012010-11-0801337	PILOT	2003	VEHICLE'S HEADLIGHTS WENT OUT