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Dear Mr. Borris,

This letter is to update the November 5, 2014, response of American Honda Motor, Co., Inc. to the ten areas of inquiry set forth in the October 29, 2014, letter from Deputy Administrator David Friedman regarding the actions Honda has been taking in response to the safety risk posed by certain Takata driver and passenger airbag inflators. This letter only addresses those areas of inquiry for which Honda has additional updated information beyond that contained in my letter to you dated November 19, 2014.

- We have continued our active communications with Takata to discuss and forecast replacement parts demand and production so that we can have the greatest likelihood of meeting anticipated customer demand.
- Our dealers continue to have sufficient service capacity to meet customer demand for recall repairs, which based on warranty claims received as of the close of business November 24, 2014 numbered 45,409 for the November 18-24 time period. While recent media coverage of the Takata airbag inflator recalls has not resulted in a spike in customer demand, if there were a spike in customer demand based on current events and media coverage or the mailing of customer notifications for recall 14V-700, that could impact service capacity. We continue to work with dealers to assist them in meeting the service needs of our customers.
- 3. Our websites continue to alert customers to the existence of the Takata airbag inflator recalls and encourage them to have their vehicles repaired if affected. When we updated our VIN look-up tool webpage last Friday, we made sure that the airbag recall statements were prominently posted on there.
- 4. Between November 18, 2014 and November 24, 2014, Honda received an additional 1,024 dealer warranty claims for loaner and rental vehicles that were provided to customers, bringing the total number of loaner and rental vehicles provided to customers since October 1, 2014 to 6,088. We continue to monitor the availability of loaner and rental cars so that we can meet our customers' needs.

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9. Updated numbers for the recalls as of November 24, 2014, are as follows:

NHTSA ID	Total Affected	In Operation (known to date)	Repair Completed	Repaired Since Last Update
13V-132 (pass. side)	561,422	558,609	195,749	934
14V-349 (pass. side)	988,440	988,439	31,436	6,928
14V-351 (driver side)	2,803,214	2,803,203	188,147	29,969
14V-353 (pass. side)	698,288	698,285	42,073	7,578
14V-700 (pass. side)	TBD	TBD	TBD	n/a
Note:	A large percentage of the vehicles requiring repair of a passenger airbag inflator also require repair of a driver airbag inflator. As a result, the total affected vehicle population is less than the sum of all affected components reflected in this table. In addition, the population of affected vehicles in recall 14V-700 will be drawn from the population of affected vehicles in the prior passenger side airbag inflator recalls listed in this table, so that the sum of all affected components (and the population of all affected vehicles) should not change overall. We anticipate that the affected population for 14V-700 will be ascertained in the next several weeks, after registered owner information is pulled from the motor vehicle agencies in all 50 states and analyzed.			

Please let me know if you have any questions with regard to these updates or any related issues.

Sincerely,

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