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Investigation:	AQ 15-001		
Prompted by:	Part 573 Timeliness Concern		
Date Opened:	04/29/2015		
Investigator:	Sarah Sorg	**Reviewer:**	Jennifer Timian
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Subject:	Triumph Reporting		

MANUFACTURER & PRODUCT INFORMATION

Manufacturer:	Triumph Motorcycles America, LTD
Products:	2012-2013 Triumph Street Triple
Population:	1,368 (Estimated)
Problem Description:	A review of Triumph's reporting history indicates it may not have timely reported and/or supplied information required by the Safety Act and its regulations.

ACTION / SUMMARY INFORMATION

Action: Open Audit Query (AQ)

Summary:

NHTSA is opening this audit query to determine whether Triumph Motorcycles America, Ltd. (Triumph) has complied with the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act (Safety Act).

Triumph may have failed to timely report a safety-related defect to NHTSA. On September 8, 2014, Triumph submitted a Defect Information Report (DIR) to NHTSA describing a safety defect in the steering system of approximately 1,368 model year (MY) 2012 through 2013 Triumph Street Triple and Street Triple R motorcycles (NHTSA Recall No. 14V-548). The chronology of events section of Triumph's DIR states that on June 4, 2013, Triumph's central warranty group notified Triumph North America of this potential defect. Yet, Triumph did not report the safety defect to NHTSA until September 8, 2014.

Triumph may also have failed to timely submit to NHTSA quarterly reports on the company's progress completing safety recalls as required by 49 CFR Part 573. Triumph also may have failed to provide copies of Technical Service Bulletins (TSBs) and early warning reporting material required under 49 CFR Part 579.

This audit query is opened to investigate these potential reporting violations.