

**INITIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT FAX SHEET OF RECEIPT OF DEFECT
INFORMATION REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573**

JUL 20 2000

Assigned Recall No. 00V-184 by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: July 12, 2000

MANUFACTURER: American Honda Motor Co., Inc.

MANUFACTURER CONTACT: William R. Willen, Managing Counsel
Product Legal Group

FAX: (310) 783-3510

SUBJECT: 19,540 Honda 2000 Accord models manufactured from January 20 through February 29, 2000. The rear suspension lower arms and/or control arms could break due to improper welding.

This is an initial acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be forthcoming shortly. After our review of your report and associated documents, we may have additional comments or concerns.

We have reviewed your draft owner notification letter and it meets the requirements of Part 577.

As stated in Part 573.6, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. As stated in your facsimile of July 5, 2000, owner notification began July 7, 2000. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due October 30, 2000.

If you have any questions, please call:



Patricia Wallace, Recall Analyst on (202) 366-5232
or Jonathan White, Chief on (202) 366-5226
or by FAX (202) 366-7882
Recall Analysis Division

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Mr. William R. Willen
Managing Counsel, Product Legal Group
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Dear Mr. Willen:

We have reviewed American Honda Motor Company, Inc.'s (Honda) Defect Information Report dated July 12, 2000, submitted in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573, "Defect and Noncompliance Reports." This recall involves 19,540 Honda 2000 Accord models manufactured from January 20 through February 29, 2000. The rear suspension lower arms and/or control arms could break due to improper welding. The assigned recall identification number for this recall is 00V-184.

Honda is responsible for the remedy of these vehicles from this date forward, regardless of vehicle age, mileage, or ownership.

Quarterly Status Reports

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If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Pat Wallace at (202) 366-5232 or fax at (202) 366-7882.

Sincerely,



Jonathan D. White, Chief
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Office of Defects Investigation
Safety Assurance