

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

Assigned Recall No. 04V-134 by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: **March 17, 2004**

Date NHTSA Faxed: **March 19, 2004**

Manufacturer: **Harley-Davidson Motor Company**

Manufacturer Contact: **Mr. Ronald L. Mundt
Mr. Lawrence F. Henneberger, Arent Fox**

FAX: **(414) 343-8358/(202) 857-6395**

³
SUBJECT: **73,678 MY 2001-2004³ FL Touring and Police motorcycles. The 40 amp main circuit breaker can "open" for reasons other than which it was designed, causing an unexpected interruption of all electrical power to the motorcycle. This condition could cause a "quit while riding" situation, which could result in a crash.**


This is an acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be written ONLY if we have additional comments or concerns.

This recall was the subject of a Preliminary Evaluation, PE03-055, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation.

We have reviewed your proposed owner notification letter and it does not meet the requirements of Part 577. Please change the second paragraph to read in accordance with the regulations: **"Harley-Davidson Motor Company, Inc., has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in certain 2001-2003.....motorcycles. These motorcycles have a condition".** Also, even though you probably do not lease vehicles, per the regulations a sentence must be added regarding leased vehicles, i.e., *"Federal regulation requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days."*

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. Owner notification is expected to begin during March or April 2004, therefore, the first quarterly report will be due by July 30, 2004.

If you have any questions, please call:

 Patricia Wallace, Safety Defects Analyst on (202) 366-5232 or
George Person, Chief on (202) 366-5210
or Fax at (202) 366-7882
or e-mail at Patricia.Wallace@nhtsa.dot.gov
Recall Management Division