

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

Assigned Recall No. 04V-137 by the  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: **March 22, 2004**

Date Faxed: **March 24, 2004**

MANUFACTURER: **Big Dog Motorcycles**

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**SUBJECT: 1,906 Big Dog 2004 Bulldog, Boxer, Chopper, Daytec Chopper, Mastiff, Pitbull and Ridgeback model motorcycles. The piston in the rear master cylinder may have been improperly sized, which could cause the rear brakes to drag or lock-up.**

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

We have reviewed your draft owner notification letter and it meets the requirements of Part 577. The only suggested change would be to use the word "crash" rather than "accident."

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 report, owner notification is expected to begin on March 31, 2004. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due by July 30, 2004.

**NOTE: PLEASE PROVIDE THE BEGINNING DATE OF MANUFACTURE FOR THESE MOTORCYCLES.**

If you have any questions, please call:

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