

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

Assigned Recall No. 04V-236 by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Report Date: **May 7, 2004**

Date NHTSA Faxed/E-Mailed: **May 26, 2004**

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SUBJECT: 1,560 BMW 2003-2004 F650 CS motorcycles manufactured from January 2002 through September 2003. The plastic fuel pump flange could come into contact with a sufficient amount of acid or chemical compounds containing acidic elements, such as battery acid or certain cleaning products. The flange could become brittle, crack, and allow fuel to escape from the fuel tank.

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 proposed owner notification letter and it does not meet the requirements of Part 577. Please add to the end of the "Description of Defect" paragraph, "**Fuel leakage, in the presence of an ignition source could result in a fire.**" Also in the next paragraph, please change it to read, "**You may continue to ride your motorcycle; however, have the repair performed promptly.**"

Please let me know when the actual mailing takes place and, as usual, provide this office with final copies of all documents relating to the recall.

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 June 2004. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due by July 30, 2004.

If you have any questions, please call:



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