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National Highway
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**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FAX SHEET OF RECEIPT OF DEFECT INFORMATION
REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573**

Assigned Recall No. 04V-365 by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: July 23, 2004

Date Faxed/E-Mailed: August 2, 2004

MANUFACTURER: Buell American Motorcycles

MANUFACTURER CONTACT: Ronald Mundt, Buell Motorcycle Company
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SUBJECT: 656 Buell 2004 Blast model motorcycles built between January 6, and June 3, 2004. The valve which was designed to allow air to replace fuel in the tank during operation could malfunction thereby starving the engine for fuel. This situation could cause the vehicle to shut down without warning which could lead to a crash, causing the possibility of death or injury.

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 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 report, the recall is expected to begin during August 2004. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due by October 30, 2004.

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

If you have any questions, please call:

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