



U.S. Department  
of Transportation

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Washington, DC 20590

**National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration**

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RENATO AIME  
DUCATI NORTH AMERICA, INC  
10443 BANDLEY DRIVE  
CUPERTINO CA 95014

NVS-215  
05V-219

Subject: INCORRECT REAR SHOCK ABSORBER ARM

Dear MR. AIME:

This letter is to acknowledge your recent defect or noncompliance information report. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records, as this is the information that will be made available to the public.

**Makes/Models/Model Years:**

DUCATI/MTS 620/2005  
DUCATI/S2 R/2005  
DUCATI/MTS 1000/2005  
DUCATI/S4 R/2005

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 05V-219

**Recall Date:** May 6, 2005

**Components:**

SUSPENSION: FRONT: SHOCK ABSORBER

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 117

**Summary:**

ON CERTAIN MOTORCYCLES, THE INCORRECT REAR SHOCK ABSORBER ROCKER ARM WAS INSTALLED DURING PRODUCTION.

**Consequence:**

THE INCORRECT COMPONENT COULD POTENTIALLY FAIL CAUSING THE VEHICLE TO CRASH WITHOUT PRIOR WARNING.

**Remedy:**

DEALERS WILL INSPECT THE REAR SHOCK ABSORBER ROCKER ARM AND REPLACE IT IF NECESSARY. THE MANUFACTURER HAS NOT YET PROVIDED AN OWNER NOTIFICATION SCHEDULE FOR THIS CAMPAIGN. OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT DUCATI AT 408-253-0499.

**Notes:**

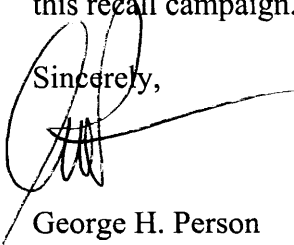
CUSTOMERS CAN ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S AUTO SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236.

Effective October 21, 2004, a manufacturer must provide an estimated dealer notification date as well as an owner notification date (month/day/year) when submitting a defect/noncompliance report (Part 573.6). Also, please provide us with a date of when the manufacturer became aware of the recall.

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

Your contacts for this recall will be Pat Wallace or Delia Lopez, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5232 or 202-366-9525 or by email at [patricia.wallace@nhtsa.dot.gov](mailto:patricia.wallace@nhtsa.dot.gov) or [delia.lopez@nhtsa.dot.gov](mailto:delia.lopez@nhtsa.dot.gov). We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,



George H. Person  
Chief, Recall Management Division