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MAY 26 2005

NVS-215
05V-233

Subject: FRONT FENDER BRACKET

Dear MR. STUHLSTZ:

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:
BIG DOG/BULL DOG/2005

NHTSA Campaign Number: 05V-233

Recall Date: May 25, 2005

Components:
STRUCTURE

Potential Number of Units Affected: 180

Summary:
ON CERTAIN MOTORCYCLES, THE FRONT FENDER BRACKETS COULD FAIL ALLOWING THE FRONT FENDER TO DETACH.

Consequence:
IF THIS CONDITION OCCURS, A CRASH COULD OCCUR WITHOUT ANY PRIOR WARNING.

Remedy:
DEALERS WILL REPLACE THE FRONT FENDER BRACKETS. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON MAY 25, 2005. OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT BIG DOG AT 316-267-9121.

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).

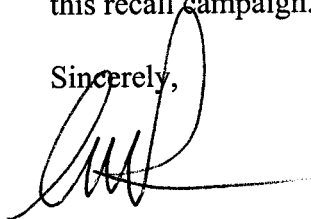
We have reviewed your proposed owner notification letter and it meets the requirements of Part 577.

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).

As stated in Part 573.7, 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 on May 25, 2005. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due by July 30, 2005.

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 or 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