



Harley-Davidson Motor Company, 3700 West Juneau Ave., PO Box 653, Milwaukee WI 53201 414/342-4680

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Ms. Kathleen C. DeMeter
Director of Office of Defects Investigation
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
US Department of Transportation, Room 5326
400 Seventh Street, SW
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Ms. DeMeter:

The following information is submitted in accordance with National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's reporting regulations, 49CFR Part 573.6.

Harley-Davidson Motor Company, Inc. has learned that a condition affecting safety exists on early production 2006 FLHX and FLHXI (Street Glide) model motorcycles built from June 27, 2005 through August 15, 2005.

IDENTIFICATION OF EQUIPMENT POTENTIALLY CONTAINING THE DEFECT:
There have been, 2,393 2006 FLHX and FLHXI Street Glide model motorcycles shipped to the US market.

DESCRIPTION OF DEFECT:

The affected motorcycles were built with mirrors that were improperly located on the inner fairing. In this condition, it is not possible to adjust the mirrors properly, thereby not allowing the rider to have the appropriate rearward field of vision.

SUPPLIER INFORMATION:

Guardian Automotive
23751 Amber Ave.
Warren, MI 48089
Mr. Steve DeVos
(586) 427-1170

CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS:

During the first two weeks of shipment, late July, 2005, we began receiving field reports of limited mirror adjustment capabilities. During further investigation we became aware that the mirror was incorrectly positioned in the inner fairing due to the incorrect position of the mirror mounting holes. We stopped shipment on August 15, 2005. We are not aware of any accidents, injuries, or deaths resulting from this condition. In September, 2005, Harley-Davidson decided to declare this a safety issue.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROGRAM TO REMEDY THE DEFECT:

There will be three possible remedies to correct this situation, at the option of the owner. They include; 1) replace the inner fairing with a new inner that has the mirror mounting holes properly positioned; 2) Drill another hole and have the mirrors repositioned. This method will cause the original hole to be exposed outside of the mirror base, which is cosmetically undesirable. The exposed hole would be covered with a decal; 3) Drill another hole and have the mirrors repositioned, then, at a later date, have the mirrors replaced with new mirrors that have a larger base which will cover the original mounting hole.

HARLEY-DAVIDSON MOTOR COMPANY PRE-NOTIFICATION REMEDY REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM:

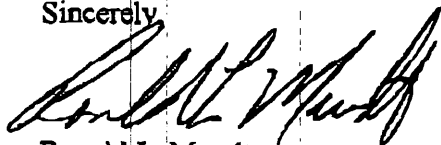
Harley-Davidson Motor Company incorporates by reference herein the general reimbursement plan it has previously provided to NHTSA for reimbursing customers for remedy costs incurred prior to notification of this recall.

PART 577 NOTICE LETTER:

A draft of the owner notification letter is attached.

Please advise the undersigned of the campaign number assigned by ODI to this recall.

Sincerely,



Ronald L. Mundt

For Harley-Davidson Motor Company, Inc.



Harley-Davidson Motor Company, 3700 West Junco Ave., PO Box 633, Milwaukee, WI 53201 414/342-4680

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Dear Harley-Davidson Motorcycle Owner:

This notice is being sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Harley-Davidson Motor Company, Inc. has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists on early production 2006 FLHX and FLHXI (Street Glide) model motorcycles built from June 27, 2005 through August 15, 2005. The affected motorcycles were built with mirrors that were improperly located on the inner fairing. Due to this improper mounting location, it is not possible to adjust the mirrors properly. This denies the rider the ability to adjust the mirrors and obtain the appropriate rearward field of vision, thereby presenting the risk of a crash and possible injury or death to the rider.

Our records indicate that you purchased one of the model motorcycles listed above with the condition involved in this recall.

We strongly urge you to take your motorcycle to your dealer to have the appropriate service performed as soon as possible. If you had this repair before you received this letter, you may be eligible to receive reimbursement for the cost of obtaining a pre-notification remedy of the problem associated with this recall. For more information contact Harley-Davidson at 1-414-343-4056. Should you choose to ride your motorcycle prior to this service, we urge you to be aware of this condition.

Please contact your Harley-Davidson motorcycle dealer immediately and arrange an appointment to either have the mirrors repositioned on the existing fairing or the inner fairing replaced, at your option. The actual dealer labor time to perform this service may take from ½ hour to 2 hours, depending upon the solution required. The parts and labor will be free of charge to you. Parts should begin to become available at your dealership the week of October 10, 2005.

To verify that the service has been completed, your dealer will ask you to sign a recall claim. If you have sold your motorcycle, please forward the appropriate information about your purchaser. This will enable us to contact him/her and advise that person of this recall. Also, Federal regulation requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

If you take your motorcycle to your dealer on a mutually agreed upon date and they do not perform the required service to your satisfaction, please contact Harley-Davidson Motor Company, Inc. for immediate assistance at the address or telephone number listed on this letterhead. If your dealer or Harley-Davidson Motor Company, Inc. fails or is unable to remedy your motorcycle without charge within a reasonable time, you may wish to inform the Administrator, The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 25090, or call the toll-free Auto Safety Hotline at 1-888-DASH-2DOT or contact NHTSA at www.NHTSA.DOT.GOV.

We regret any inconvenience this may cause you, but we are initiating this action in the interest of your personal safety and satisfaction with our products. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Harley-Davidson Motor Company, Inc.