

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

September 19, 2005

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 in certain 2004 Dyna FXDL/I, FXDWG/I, FXD/I, FXDX/I and FXDP model motorcycles built, from June 11, 2003 through February 2, 2004.

IDENTIFICATION OF EQUIPMENT POTENTIALLY CONTAINING THE DEFECT:

There have been 12,398 2004 Dyna FXDL/I, FXDWG/I, FXD/I AND FXDP motorcycles, shipped to the US market potentially containing this defect.

DESCRIPTION OF DEFECT:

On the affected motorcycles the throttle cables come into contact with the tunnel portion of the fuel tank. In this condition the cables could eventually wear through the tank, causing a fuel leak.

SUPPLIER INFORMATION:

Wescon Products
P.O. Box 7710
Wichita, Kansas 67277-7710
Contact: Mike Bukaty
Phone: 316-942-7266 Ext. 211

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CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS:

Reports from the field were received and an investigation showed that there could be contact between the throttle cables and the tank due to an assembly error. Upon further investigation it was determined that on higher mileage vehicles the cable could wear through the fuel tank, causing a fuel leak. 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:

The remedy of this defect is to inspect the cable and tank, reposition the cable and, if necessary repair or replace the tank and/or cables on the models listed above.

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

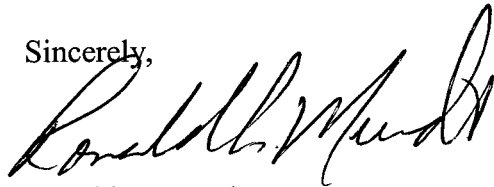
Harley-Davidson Motor Company incorporates by reference herein the general reimbursement plan it has previously provided to NHTSA for reimbursing customers for remedy costs incurred prior to notification of this recall.

PART 577 NOTICE LETTER:

A draft of the owner notification letter is attached.

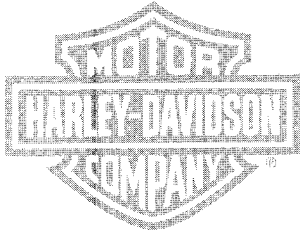
Please advise the undersigned of the campaign number assigned by ODI to this recall.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ronald L. Mundt", written in a cursive style.

Ronald L. Mundt

For Harley-Davidson Motor Company, Inc.



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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 relating to motor vehicle safety exists on certain 2004 Dyna FXDL/I, FXDWG/I, FXD/I, FXDX/I and FXDP model motorcycles built from June 11, 2003 through February 2, 2004. The affected motorcycles have a condition that may allow the throttle cables to contact the tunnel portion of the fuel tank. In this condition the cables could eventually wear through the tank, causing a fuel leak, thereby presenting the risk of a fire 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 have the throttle cable and tank inspected and the cable repositioned and repair or replace the tank and/or cables if necessary. The actual dealer labor time to perform this service may take ½ to 1 ½ hours, depending upon the repair required. The parts and labor will be free of charge to you. Parts should be available at your dealership the week of October 17th, 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.