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Subject Follow-up Honda Recall on 2005 Odyssey to Replace Front Impact Sensors

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TO:

All Honda Sales, Service & Parts Managers

FROM:

American Honda Service Division

RE:

Campaign Follow-up Announcement and Stop Sale Order

On July 28, 2005, Honda Motor Co., Ltd., announced to NHTSA (National Highway Traffic Safety Administration) its intention to recall selected 2005 Odysseys in order to replace the front impact sensors.

Basic Problem: Some front impact sensors were insufficiently sealed during manufacturing. If specific circumstances exist, particularly salt-water intrusion, corrosion may occur and eventually cause a short-circuit. If one or both sensors fail, the SRS indicator will illuminate. Impact sensor failure could cause a delay in or loss of frontal airbag deployment, which can increase the risk of injury in a frontal crash.

Stop-Sale Order: Applies to all (2005 model-year Odysseys) between the following two ranges:

- VIN 5FNRL38..5B400001 and VIN 5FNRL38..5B409694
- VIN 5FNRL38..5B000001 and VIN 5FNRL38..5B075678

Vehicles within the above VIN ranges CANNOT be sold or leased with a known defect.

Vehicles with VINs above those listed are not affected and may be sold.

NOTE: It is illegal to sell or lease a vehicle with a known defect. If any affected vehicle is sold/leased to a retail customer with a known defect, the dealership will be entirely responsible for all legal consequences, should an injury occur as a result of a failure of the defective part.

Support Materials: American Honda posted its recall repair service bulletin on ISIS Friday evening.

Campaign Parts: AH Parts Division FedEx'ed a quantity of repair parts equal to 100% of dealership affected new vehicle inventory late last week to arrive on Friday, July 29, 2005. If you did not receive repair parts by Monday morning (8/1/05) it means that according to our records, you have no affected vehicles in your inventory. NOTE: Keep in mind that only one-half of Honda dealerships have affected vehicles in their inventory, so there is a 50% chance that you did not receive repair parts.

Additional repair parts to fix customer vehicles will be shipped to you by mid-August. American Honda Parts Division will send shipping information to you in the near future.

Repair Strategy: The repair is to replace both front impact sensors.

Customer Notification: This Recall Campaign affects approximately 85,000 vehicles. Notifications will be mailed to all known owners (approximately August 29, 2005). You will be notified of the exact customer mailing date by iN Message.

Thank you.

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