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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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MINNEAPOLIS MN 55340

NVS-215
06V-303

Subject: FRONT SPROCKET FAILURE

Dear MR. GOOD:

This letter is to acknowledge your recent defect information report. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

Makes/Models/Model Years: To be provided

NHTSA Campaign Number: 06V-303

Mfg's Report Date: August 4, 2006

Components: POWER TRAIN: MANUAL TRANSMISSION

Potential Number of Units Affected: 2,402

Summary:

ON ALL MODEL YEAR 2000 VICTORY MOTORCYCLES EQUIPPED WITH A GATES DRIVE BELT SYSTEM, THE FRONT SPROCKET MAY WEAR BETWEEN THE SPROCKET AND ITS RETAINING NUT, CAUSING THE FRONT SPROCKET NUT TO LOOSEN AND FAIL TO RETAIN THE SPROCKET.

Consequence:

THE FRONT SPROCKET NUT FAILURE COULD CAUSE AXIAL MOVEMENT AND INTERFERENCE WHICH COULD RESULT IN TRANSMISSION LOCKUP, INCREASING THE RISK OF LOSS OF CONTROL OR CRASH.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL REPLACE THE FRONT SPROCKET ASSEMBLY FREE OF CHARGE. THE MANUFACTURER HAS NOT YET PROVIDED AN OWNER NOTIFICATION SCHEDULE. OWNERS MAY CONTACT POLARIS AT 763-417-8650.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL INSTALL A REAR SPROCKET HUB DAMPER ASSEMBLY FREE OF CHARGE. THE MANUFACTURER HAS NOT YET PROVIDED AN OWNER NOTIFICATION SCHEDULE. OWNERS MAY CONTACT POLARIS AT 763-417-8650.

Notes:

CUSTOMERS MAY ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://www.safercar.gov).

Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

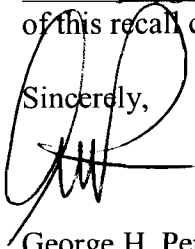
Please provide an estimated dealer notification date as well as an owner notification date (month/day/year).

Please provide the beginning and ending manufacturing dates.

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, 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 required 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 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
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement

cc: Erika Jones
Mayer, Brown, Rowe and Maw LLP