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**National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration**

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NVS-215  
06V-442

Subject: AIR FILTER ELEMENT

Dear MR. JURA:

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:**  
YAMAHA/YZFR6/2006

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 06V-442

**Mfg's Report Date:** October 27, 2006

**Components:** VEHICLE SPEED CONTROL

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 13,000

**Summary:**

ON CERTAIN MOTORCYCLES, THE AIR FILTER MOUNTING SCREWS MAY COME LOOSE AND FALL OUT.

**Consequence:**

IF THE SCREWS FALL OUT, THEY COULD GET CAUGHT IN THE THROTTLE VALVE WHICH COULD PREVENT THE OPERATOR FROM REDUCING ENGINE SPEED PROPERLY. THIS COULD RESULT IN A LOSS OF CONTROL AND A VEHICLE CRASH WITH INJURY OR DEATH.

**Remedy:**

DEALERS WILL REPLACE THE AIR FILTER ELEMENT WITH A NEW ONE THAT IS DESIGNED TO HOLD THE SCREWS SECURELY FREE OF CHARGE. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN AT THE END OF NOVEMBER 2006. OWNERS MAY CONTACT YAMAHA AT 714-761-7842.

**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).

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).

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, owner notification is expected to begin during November 2006. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before January 30, 2007.

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@dot.gov](mailto:patricia.wallace@dot.gov) or [delia.lopez@dot.gov](mailto:delia.lopez@dot.gov). We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,



*for* George H. Person  
Chief, Recall Management Division  
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Enforcement