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**National Highway
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Administration**

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NVS-215dgl
07V-477

Subject: WATER PUMP IMPELLER

Dear MR. AIME:

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:
DUCATI/MONSTER S4RS/2007

NHTSA Campaign Number: 07V-477

Mfg's Report Date: October 8, 2007

Components: ENGINE AND ENGINE COOLING

Potential Number of Units Affected: 8

Summary:

ON CERTAIN MOTORCYCLES, THE WATER IMPELLER DOES NOT TURN DUE TO THE INSTALLATION OF AN INCORRECT LAYSHAFT. IMPROPER OPERATION OF THE WATER PUMP COULD OCCUR CAUSING OVERHEATING OF THE ENGINE COMPONENTS AND POSSIBLY CAUSE ENGINE SEIZURE.

Consequence:

IF THE ENGINE STOPS WHILE THE MOTORCYCLE IS BEING DRIVEN, IT COULD INCREASE THE RISK OF A CRASH.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL CHECK THE WATER PUMP FOR PROPER OPERATION AND WILL REPLACE IT IF NECESSARY FREE OF CHARGE. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING NOVEMBER 2007. OWNER MAY CONTACT DUCATI AT 408-253-0499.

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).

We have reviewed your proposed owner notification letter and it meets the requirements of Part 577. However, Please revise your owner letters to include the following updated NHTSA hotline information: "...the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590; or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>."

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

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. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

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, Delia.lopez@dot.gov, or through the office email at RMD.ODI@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. Person". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "G" and "P".

George H. Person
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement