

PART 573 DEFECT AND NONCOMPLIANCE

Supplemental answer to II.

#4. Identify and describe how the recall population was determined, in particular how the recalled models were selected and the basis for the beginning and final dates of manufacture of the recalled vehicles.

There was a material change on the cupped washer from carbon steel to stainless steel that caused the cupped washer to have less depth than the formerly produced cupped washer. Therefore, the cupped washer is not fully pressed against the swingarm and affects the bolt torque which may result in the chain slider mounting guard becoming loose.

The beginning date of manufacturing for the defective chain slider guard mounting began July 15, 2006. This production date marked the beginning of the 2007 Adventure and Superenduro models and remained in defective production until May 14, 2007, when the problem was identified and cured at the manufactures facilities. No further produced models suffer the deficiency.

