



Kawasaki Motors Corp., U.S.A.



June 20, 2007

Mr. Daniel Smith  
Associate Administrator for Enforcement  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
1200 New Jersey Ave, S.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Kawasaki KLR650 Sidestand Spring Retaining Pin; Supplemental Information

Dear Mr. Smith:

Kawasaki Motors Corp., U.S.A. ("KMC") hereby provides additional information needed to fully comply with the reporting requirements of 49CFR 573.5 (c). This correspondence supplements the previous Defect Report dated June 1, 2007.

6) A chronology of all principal events that were the basis for the determination that the defect related to motor vehicle safety, including a summary of all warranty claims, filed or service reports, and other information with their dates of receipt:

April 6, 2007 – A crating operator in the Kawasaki Motors Enterprise (Thailand) Co., Ltd. (KMT) discovers that the sidestand spring on one of the affected units had become detached. KMT begins investigation and reports this information to Kawasaki Heavy Industries., Ltd. (vehicle designer).  
April 27, 2007 – KHI notifies and requests KMC to stop wholesale distribution to dealers and perform inspection at KMC warehouse. KMC reports to KHI that 5 units had been delivered to dealers.  
May 31, 2007 – KHI decides to take recall action for 5 units and notifies KMC of this decision. KMC notifies NHTSA.

7) The manner in which and the date when the information about the defect was obtained: See above.

8) A description of the manufacturer's program for remedying the defect. The estimated date on which it will begin sending notifications to owners that there is a safety-related defect. KMC notified the 5 dealers with affected units by telephone, and followed up that communication with a faxed notification sent on May 25, advising them not to sell the affected units, and that KMC would replace the units in their inventory. Only one unit had been retailed, and KMC has already picked up that unit, repaired it, and returned it to the owner. Accordingly, no further customer notification is planned by KMC.

9) A representative copy of all notices, bulletins and other communications that relate directly to the defect or noncompliance: A copy of the notification that was faxed to the 5 dealers that received the affected units is attached.

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Please contact the undersigned if there are any questions regarding information in this submission, or if additional information is required.

Sincerely,  
KAWASAKI MOTORS CORP., U.S.A

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Roger F. Hagie".

Roger F. Hagie  
Director Public Affairs

Encl.



**Kawasaki Motors Corp., U.S.A.**

May 25, 2007

Attention:

Dealer Number:

Regarding: 2008 KLR650 Model

VIN:

**Vehicle(s) listed above may contain a safety defect. DO NOT SELL.**

Dear Kawasaki Dealer:

This letter follows up on telephone conversations with Kawasaki's Technical Services Department in which you were advised that your dealership recently received the vehicle described above which may contain a safety defect related to the welding of the side stand spring boss on the frame. This defect could result in a crash causing injury or death. **DO NOT SELL THIS AFFECTED VEHICLE.**

In accordance with the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act, Kawasaki reminds you that once a dealer has been advised of a defect, it is a violation of Federal Law for the dealer to sell any affected unit until the defect has been remedied. In this case, Kawasaki will ship a replacement vehicle to you with no additional delivery charges. When you receive the replacement vehicle, please re-crate the vehicle referenced above and call the phone number below to arrange for pickup. Kawasaki will reimburse you for one and one half hours of work.

Also, please direct any questions to: (949) 770-0400 ext. 2574

Sincerely,

Kawasaki Motors Corp., U.S.A.  
Technical Services Department

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