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**National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration**

1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE  
Washington, DC 20590

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**CERTIFIED MAIL**  
**RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

Mr. Willam R. Willen  
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American Honda Motor Co., Inc.  
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Torrance, CA 90501-2746

NVS-215kjs  
07V-576

Dear Mr. Willen:

American Honda Motor Co., Inc. (Honda) is requested, pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 30165, 30166, and 30119, to renotify owners involved in safety recall 07V-576 who have not had their vehicles corrected or otherwise accounted for. This recall involves 25,422 MY 2006-2007 CBR1000RR motorcycles have an improper welded vent pipe in the bottom of the fuel tank. Owner notification began on December 7, 2007. In Honda's fifth reporting quarter, Honda reports that of the 25,422 motorcycles involved, 13,902 have not been remedied.

Honda should conduct the owner renotification in accordance with the guidelines listed below.

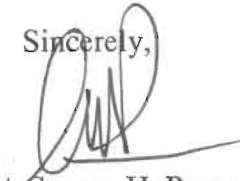
- Before conducting the owner renotification, Honda should obtain an updated owner list, for this recall campaign, based on current state motor vehicle registration records.
- Honda's proposed owner renotification letter for this recall must meet the requirements of 49 CFR Part 577.10, "Follow-up Notification," and must be submitted to NHTSA for review before owner renotification begins. Part 577.10(e)(1) specifically requires that the renotification letter be identified as a "... follow-up to an earlier communication."
- In addition to the six quarterly status reports required under 49 CFR Part 573.6, "Quarterly Reports," Honda is requested to file three additional quarterly status reports.

- Furnish a proposed schedule for conducting the owner renotification that includes the following information:
  - a. the date on which the search of current state motor vehicle registration records will be initiated in order to update the original owner list;
  - b. the approximate date on which the revised owner list will be available to initiate owner renotification;
  - c. the approximate date on which the owner renotification will begin; and
  - d. the approximate date on which the owner renotification will be completed (if the owner renotification is to be staggered, give the beginning and ending owner renotification date for each segment).

Honda's renotification schedule and a draft of the proposed owner renotification letter must be submitted to this office by April 2, 2009.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Ric Willard at (202) 366-6544, [richard.willard@dot.gov](mailto:richard.willard@dot.gov) or Kelly Schuler at (202) 366-5227, [Kelly.schuler@dot.gov](mailto:Kelly.schuler@dot.gov) or by fax at (202) 366-7882.

Sincerely,



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