



U.S. Department
of Transportation
**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

July 22, 2008

MR. SHELL BARR
MANAGER (WARRANTY)
TRIUMPH MOTORCYCLES (AMERICA) LIMITED
SUITE 101, WALT SANDERS MEMORIAL DRIVE
NEWNAN CITY GA 30265

NVS-215dgl
08V-310

Subject: HANDLEBAR RISERS

Dear MR. BARR:

This letter serves to acknowledge Triumph Motorcycles (America) Limited's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety defect in the products described below for which a safety recall campaign shall be conducted pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 30119.

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:
TRIUMPH/SPEED TRIPLE/2008

NHTSA Campaign Number: 08V-310

Mfg's Report Date: July 1, 2008

Components: STEERING: WHEEL AND HANDLEBAR

Potential Number of Units Affected: 93

Summary:

TRIUMPH IS RECALLING 93 MY 2008 SPEED TRIPLE MOTORCYCLES. DUE TO IMPROPER MACHINING OF THE HANDLEBAR RISER, THE HANDLEBAR MAY SLIP IN THE CLAMPS.

Consequence:

IF THE HANDLEBARS SLIP, LOSS OF CONTROL OF THE MOTORCYCLE COULD RESULT INCREASING THE RISK OF A CRASH.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL INSTALL CORRECTLY MACHINED HANDLE RISERS FREE OF CHARGE. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING JULY 2008. OWNERS MAY CONTACT TRIUMPH AT 1-678-539-8782.

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).

The information in your defect report appears to satisfy the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6, except for the following items:

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).

Triumph must file a sample of the envelope which you intend to use to mail the recall notice to owners. The words "SAFETY", "RECALL", "NOTICE" in any order must be printed on the envelope in larger font than the customers name and address.

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", written in a cursive style.

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