



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

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Washington, DC 20590

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9950 JERONIMO ROAD  
IRVINE CA 92618-2084

NVS-215dgl  
10V-303

SUBJECT: LEFT FRONT BRAKE HOSE

DEAR MR. HAGIE:

This letter serves to acknowledge Kawasaki Motors Corp., U.S.A.'s (KMC) notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall campaign which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the vehicles listed below.

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:**  
KAWASAKI/ZR1000DAF/2010

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 10V-303

**Mfg's Report Date:** June 28, 2010

**Components:** SERVICE BRAKES, HYDRAULIC: FOUNDATION COMPONENTS:  
DISC: CALIPER

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 1,161

**Summary:**

KAWASAKI IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2010 ZR100DAF/L MODELS. UNDER SEVERE RIDING CONDITIONS THE LEFT FRONT BRAKE HOSE MAY CONTACT THE FRONT BRAKE ROTOR DURING EXTREMELY HEAVY APPLICATION OF THE FRONT BRAKE.

**Consequence:**

THIS CAN CAUSE BRAKE FLUID TO LEAK CREATING THE POTENTIAL FOR A CRASH RESULTING IN INJURY OR DEATH.

**Remedy:**

DEALERS WILL INSPECT THE FRONT BRAKE HOSE AND REPLACE IT IF REQUIRED. ADDITIONALLY, THE FRONT BRAKE HOSE POSITION WILL BE ADJUSTED TO PREVENT CONTACT WITH THE BRAKE ROTOR. THIS SERVICE WILL BE PERFORMED FREE OF CHARGE. THE SAFETY RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING JULY 2010. OWNERS MAY CONTACT KAWASAKI CONSUMER SERVICES DEPARTMENT AT 866-802-9381.

**Notes:**

CUSTOMERS MAY 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.

We have reviewed your proposed owner letter and it meets the requirements of 49 CFR Part 577.

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 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter in which the campaign was initiated. Thereafter, quarterly reports will be due on or before 30 days after close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Delia Lopez who may be reached by phone at 202-366-9525, or by email at [Delia.lopez@dot.gov](mailto:Delia.lopez@dot.gov), or through the office email at [RMD.ODI@dot.gov](mailto:RMD.ODI@dot.gov). We look forward to working with you toward a successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Person', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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