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**National Highway
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Administration**

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NVS-215kjs
10V-329

SUBJECT: FORK LEG ASSEMBLIES

DEAR MR. ROESZLER:

This letter serves to acknowledge Harley-Davidson Motor Company, Inc.'s (Harley-Davidson) notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall campaign which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the motorcycles 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:

H-D/FXDF/2010

NHTSA Campaign Number: 10V-329 **Mfg's Report Date:** July 19, 2010

Components: STRUCTURE:BODY

Potential Number of Units Affected: 70

Summary:

HARLEY-DAVIDSON IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2010 FXDF MOTORCYCLES WITH FORK LEG ASSEMBLIES (LH P/N 48622-08, RH P/N 48623-08) MANUFACTURED FROM FEBRUARY 29 THROUGH FEBRUARY 9, 2010. THESE FORK LEG ASSEMBLIES MAY HAVE BEEN INCORRECTLY ASSEMBLED USING THE WRONG SPRINGS.

Consequence:

MOTORCYCLES CONTAINING THE WRONG SPRINGS WILL HAVE REDUCED SUSPENSION EFFECTIVENESS WHICH MAY RESULT IN REDUCED TRACTION ON IRREGULAR ROAD SURFACES, AND WILL ALSO HAVE A DIFFERENT LEAN ANGLE WHEN PARKED ON THE SIDE STAND, POSSIBLY AFFECTING PARKING STABILITY. THIS CONDITION MAY INCREASE THE RISK OF A CRASH.

Remedy:

HARLEY-DAVIDSON WILL NOTIFY OWNERS AND DEALERS WILL REPAIR THE AFFECTED MOTORCYCLES FREE OF CHARGE. THE SAFETY RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON OR ABOUT JULY 26, 2010. OWNERS MAY CONTACT HARLEY-DAVIDSON AT 1-414-343-4056.

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. 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 Kelly Schuler, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5227, by email at Kelly.Schuler@dot.gov, or through the office email at RMD.ODI@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for the successful completion of this recall campaign. Sincerely,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Timian". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Jennifer Timian
Acting Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement

cc: Chris Grigorian
Arent Fox LLP