

July 28, 2010

Mr. Daniel Smith
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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
1200 New Jersey Ave., S.E.
Washington, DC 20590

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**Re: Recall Campaign
Drive Chain
2008-09 BMW F 650 GS, F 800 GS Motorcycles
Supplemental Report**

Dear Mr. Smith:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1966 and 49 CFR Part 573.

Please note that this is to supplement our June 15, 2010 report which, in accordance with Section 573.6(b), contained information pertaining to Section 573.6(c)(1), (c)(2), and (c)(5).

Pursuant to Section 573.6(c), we submit the following information.

- Manufacturer: Bayerische Motoren Werke AG (BMW AG)

Designated Agent: Jan Urbahn
BMW of North America, LLC
Woodcliff Lake, New Jersey 07677
- Make: BMW

Model Year / Model: 2008-09 / F 650 GS
2008-09 / F 800 GS

Inclusive Dates of Manufacture: F 650 GS (Jan 11, 2008 – Mar 24, 2009)
F 800 GS (Sep 27, 2007 – Mar 30, 2009)
- The number of motorcycles affected is approximately 722 F 650 GS and 1,194 F 800 GS models.
- The percentage of motorcycles estimated to actually contain the problem is unknown at this time.
- The issue involves the drive chain. During certain periods of manufacturing, drive chains may not have been produced to specification. As a result, over time, the drive chain could break. If this happened, the drive would fail. In an extreme case, if the broken chain became trapped between the rear wheel and the frame, the rear wheel could lock up. Note, models produced Jun – Aug 2008 are not affected.

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6. BMW became aware of this matter as a result of normal quality control monitoring processes. Specifically, BMW received three non-US reports over the course of approximately one year pertaining to a broken drive chain. In two of the cases, a wheel lock up was reported to have occurred. One of those cases involved an accident. The rider in that one case only sustained a minor injury. Further investigations and analyses resulted in a determination of the problem, as well as, the range of potentially affected motorcycles. Note, BMW submitted its initial report to NHTSA on June 15, 2010.
7. Not applicable.
8. BMW will conduct a recall campaign to remedy the affected motorcycles. The drive chain will be replaced.

BMW began and completed dealer notification in June 2010, and expects to begin and complete owner notification in August 2010.
9. Not applicable.
10. A copy of the Service Bulletin has already been provided to NHTSA.
11. A draft copy of the owner notification letter is attached.
12. Not applicable.

Sincerely,



Jan Urbahn
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Attachment