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August 9, 2010

Mr. Daniel C. Smith
Associate Administrator for Enforcement
NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY
ADMINISTRATION
Attn: Recall Management Division (NVS-215)
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

**Re: Recall Notification
2010 Model Year Honda VT1300CR/CRA/CT
Certification Label**

Dear Mr. Smith:

On August 3, 2010, Honda Motor Co., Ltd. (HMC) determined the existence of a noncompliance with Part 567, Certification involving the safety certification label for the 2010 VT1300CR/CRA/CT motorcycle. The following information is submitted pursuant to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573 Defect and Noncompliance Reports.

573.6(c)(1)

Name of manufacturer: Honda Motor Co., Ltd. (HMC)

Manufacturer's agent: Jay Joseph
American Honda Motor Co., Inc. (AHM)
1919 Torrance Blvd.
Torrance, CA 90501-2746

573.6(c)(2)

Identification of potentially affected vehicles:

<u>Make/Model</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>VIN Range/Dates of Manufacture</u>
Honda VT1300CR	Certain 2010 model year	JH2SC660*AK000006 – JH2SC660*AK001855 Dec. 17, 2009 to May 20, 2010
		JH2SC661*AK000001 – JH2SC661*AK000096 Dec. 24, 2009 to May 24, 2010
Honda VT1300CRA	Certain 2010 model year	JH2SC664*AK000011 – JH2SC664*AK000240 Jan. 26, 2010 to May 18, 2010
Honda VT1300CT	Certain 2010 model year	JH2SC667*AK000003 – JH2SC667*AK000946 Dec. 22, 2009 to April 28, 2010
		JH2SC668*AK000003 – JH2SC668*AK000066 Dec. 25, 2009 – March 13, 2010

Description of the basis for the determination of the recall population:

The recall population was based on manufacturing records. The VIN range reflects all vehicles affected by the problem.

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Total number of potentially affected vehicles: 3,184

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Percentage of affected vehicles that contain the defect: 100%

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Defect description:

Incorrect gross axle weight rating (GAWR) values are specified on the safety certification label. The gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) value specified, however, is correct.

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Chronology:

April 13, 2010	HMC Certification discovered that a potential discrepancy existed in the gross axle weight ratings (GAWR) and requested R&D to investigate.
May 6, 2010	A revised drawing was issued to correct the GAWR values.
Aug. 3, 2010	HMC determined that a noncompliance with the requirements of Part 567 existed.

573.6(c)(8)(i)

Program for remedying the non-compliance:

The owners of all affected motorcycles will be mailed a letter containing a durable correction sticker and installation instructions. If the customer prefers that the dealer apply the sticker, they will be instructed to take their motorcycle to a Honda motorcycle dealer who will apply the correction sticker, free of charge.

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The estimated date to e-mail notification to dealers:	Aug. 9, 2010
The estimated date to provide service bulletin to dealers:	Aug. 13, 2010
The estimated date to begin sending notifications to owners:	Aug. 20, 2010
The estimated date of completion of the notification:	Aug. 20, 2010

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Representative copies of all notices, bulletins and other communications:

A copy of the dealer service bulletin and text of the final customer notification letter will be submitted to your office as soon as possible.

573.6(c)(10)

Proposed owner notification letter submission:

A draft of the owner notification letter will be submitted to your office as soon as possible.

573.6(c)(11)

Manufacturer's campaign number:

R41

Sincerely,

AMERICAN HONDA MOTOR CO., INC.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jay Joseph". The signature is stylized with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Jay Joseph
Senior Manager
Product Regulatory Office

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