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Mr. Claude Harris
Acting Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
1200 New Jersey Ave., S.E.
Washington, DC 20590

**Re: Recall Campaign
Rear Wheel Linkage
2005-11 BMW K 1200 and K 1300 Motorcycles
Supplemental Report**

Dear Mr. Harris:

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 October 8, 2010 report which, in accordance with Section 573.6(b), contained information pertaining to Section 573.6(c)(1), (c)(2), and c(5), and also (c)(3).

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

1. **Manufacturer:** Bayerische Motoren Werke AG (BMW AG)
Designated Agent: Jan Urbahn
BMW of North America, LLC
Woodcliff Lake, New Jersey 07677
2. **Make:** BMW
Model Year / Model: 2005-08 / K 1200 S, K 1200 R, K 1200 GT
2009-11 / K 1300 S, K1300 R, K 1300 GT
3. **Inclusive Dates of Manufacture:** K 1200 May 2004 – Aug 2008
K 1300 Sep 2008 – Sep 2010
3. The number of motorcycles affected is approximately 4,100 K 1200 S, 2,011 K 1200 R, 3,186 K 1200 GT, 1,275 K 1300 S, 44 K 1300 R, and 1,210 K 1300 GT models.
4. The percentage of motorcycles estimated to actually contain the problem is unknown at this time.
5. The issue involves the rear wheel linkage, specifically the bearings of the link lever attached to the rear strut. Due to environmental conditions, the bearings could be subject to corrosion. This could lead to reduced movement of the link lever. Over time, if the corrosion became significant, restriction of movement of the link lever could occur. This could affect handling of the motorcycle. In an extreme case, this

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could result in the connecting rod breaking by a bending force, causing the rear wheel to decelerate by contact with the wheelhouse.

6. BMW became aware of this matter as a result of normal quality control monitoring processes. Specifically, BMW received reports from the field suggesting varying levels of damage to the rear wheel link lever. Subsequent investigations and analyses resulted in a determination of the specific problem, as well as, the number and production range of potentially affected motorcycles. Note, BMW submitted its initial report to NHTSA on October 8, 2010.

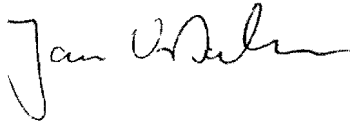
BMW has not received any reports, nor is BMW otherwise aware, of any accidents or injuries related to this issue.

7. Not applicable.
8. BMW will conduct a recall campaign to remedy the affected motorcycles. Specifically, the link lever assembly will be replaced.

BMW expects to begin and complete dealer notification in December and owner notification in January.

9. Not applicable.
10. A copy of the Service Bulletin will be submitted when available.
11. A draft copy of the owner notification letter is attached.
12. Not applicable.

Sincerely,



Jan Urbahn
General Manager
Safety Engineering and Intelligent Transportation Systems

Attachment

TREAD ACT CUSTOMER REIMBURSEMENT PLAN
(BMW of North America, LLC)

Customer Reimbursement for Safety Related Recall Repairs
Effective with Safety related recalls initiated January 15, 2003

The customer is encouraged to request reimbursement from their authorized BMW motorcycle dealer. Alternatively, the customer may submit the request for reimbursement to the following address:

Customer Relations and Services Department
BMW of North America, LLC
P.O. Box 1227
Westwood, NJ 07675-1227

In all cases:

- Repair expenses pertaining to the subject of the safety recall are reimbursable, not consequential expenses such as towing, rental, accommodations, damage repairs, etc.
- Expenses from repair facilities outside of the BMW motorcycle dealer network will be considered; however, the procedure must meet BMW standards and use BMW Genuine Parts.
- When BMW Genuine Parts are used, the Manufacturers Suggested Retail Price (MSRP) will be considered as the guideline for reasonable charges.
- Expenses for repairs performed more than 10 days after the date of the last owner notification letter sent by BMW are not eligible for reimbursement.
- Taxes and hazardous waste disposal, where previously paid, are eligible for reimbursement.
- BMW will not reimburse for prior repairs that did not utilize BMW Genuine Parts.

The authorized BMW motorcycle dealer will request a copy of the owner notification letter, as well as, a copy of the owner's previously paid invoice, and then inspect the vehicle (if still in the possession of the invoice holder) to determine the scope and quality of the previous repair. Claims shall be processed within 60 days of receipt.