

March 15, 2010

Dear Service Manager:

Honda Motor Co., Ltd., has announced a safety recall campaign for certain 2006–07 Ridgelines. The 2P wire harness connector on the HVAC blower motor can become damaged if a front seat passenger accidentally kicks it with their foot. Over time, a damaged blower motor connector could overheat, causing it or the insulation on its wires to melt. A melted blower motor connector causes the blower motor to stop working. Melted wire insulation on the blower motor connector can create a short circuit that blows the blower motor fuse, causes a failure of the HVAC control unit (blower motor operates only on high speed) or, in rare cases, may cause a fire.

### **Repair Strategy**

The repair is to install a blower motor kit. The kit contains an A/C wire harness, a blower motor connector coupler, and a blower motor cover. If any damage (melting or burning) was found on the original blower motor connector, the coupler, or the wires, the blower motor must also be replaced. For repair, parts, and warranty information, refer to Service Bulletin 10-012, *Safety Recall: Blower Motor 2P Connector May Be Damaged*.

Some vehicles affected by this campaign may be in your used vehicle inventory. As a matter of federal law, these vehicles must be repaired before they are sold. Should a dealership sell an unrepaired vehicle that subsequently causes an injury or damage because of the recalled item, the dealership will be solely responsible to the damaged party, and will be required to defend and indemnify American Honda for any resulting claims.

To see if a vehicle is affected by this campaign, make sure the customer has a notification letter or do a VIN status inquiry. In addition, check for a punch mark above the third character of the engine compartment VIN. A punch mark in that location means this campaign has already been completed.

### **Customer Notification**

Affected vehicle owners will be mailed a notification of this campaign within the next several weeks. An example of the customer notification is at the end of S/B 10-012.

### **Parts Information**

Initially, parts are being allocated based on the number of vehicles sold by your dealership. We will let you know, by iN message, when parts are available for ordering.

Sincerely,

**American Honda Motor Co., Inc.**  
**Honda Automobile Division**