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of Transportation
**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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Washington, DC 20590

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MR. BRAD FRANKLIN
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YAMAHA MOTOR CORPORATION, INC.
6555 KATELLA AVENUE
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NVS-215dgl
11V-532

SUBJECT: FUEL PUMP O-RING

DEAR MR. FRANKLIN:

This letter serves to acknowledge Yamaha Motor Corporation, Inc.'s (Yamaha) notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a 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:
YAMAHA/XTZ12B/BC/2012

NHTSA Campaign Number: 11V-532

Mfg's Report Date: October 28, 2011

Components: FUEL SYSTEM, GASOLINE: DELIVERY: FUEL PUMP

Potential Number of Units Affected: 1,069

Summary:

YAMAHA IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2012 XTZ12B/BC (SUPER TENERE) MOTORCYCLES, MANUFACTURED FROM JUNE 01, 2011, THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2011. DURING THE ASSEMBLY PROCESS, THE FUEL PUMP O-RING MAY HAVE BEEN INSTALLED INCORRECTLY IN ITS GROOVE. IF THE TABS LOCATED AROUND THE INNER CIRCUMFERENCE OF THE O-RING WERE NOT SEATED INTO THE GROOVE PROPERLY DURING PUMP INSTALLATION, THE O-RING SEALING LIP COULD BE PINCHED AND DAMAGED, PREVENTING PROPER SEALING.

Consequence:

THIS COULD ALLOW FUEL TO LEAK FROM AROUND THE FUEL PUMP MOUNTED UNDER THE FUEL TANK. LEAKING FUEL COULD RESULT IN A FIRE HAZARD.

Remedy:

YAMAHA DEALERS WILL REPLACE THE FUEL PUMP O-RING FREE OF CHARGE. THE SAFETY RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING NOVEMBER 2011. OWNERS MAY CONTACT YAMAHA AT 1-800-962-7926.

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).

We have reviewed your proposed owner letter and it meets the requirements of 49 CFR Part 577.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

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 Delia Lopez who may be reached by phone at 1-202-366-9525, or by email at Delia.lopez@dot.gov, or through the office email at RMD.ODI@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you toward a successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Willard". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end of the last name.

Ric Willard
Acting Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement