

**Part 573 Safety Recall Report****15V-370****Manufacturer Name :** Honda (American Honda Motor Co.)**Submission Date :** JUN 12,2015**NHTSA Recall No. :** 15V-370**Manufacturer Recall No. :** JS1, JS2**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : Honda (American Honda Motor Co.)

Address : 1919 Torrance Blvd.

Torrance CA 90501

Company phone : 310-783-2000

**Population :**

Number of potentially involved : 2,300,000

Estimated percentage with defect : 0

**Vehicle Information :**

Vehicle : 2003-2007 HONDA ACCORD L4

Vehicle Type :

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

**Descriptive Information :** The initial recall population was determined based on manufacturing records. According to the safety-defect determination set forth in Takata's equipment defect notifications and NHTSA's subsequent directive to conduct a national recall, the VIN range reflects the vehicles that could potentially experience the problem.

Should further information be provided to Honda from Takata or NHTSA (or otherwise developed) indicate it necessary or required, AHM will expand the recall population initially identified by Takata to cover other vehicles.

Production Dates : AUG 16, 2002 - AUG 28, 2007

**VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range**

Begin : NR

End : NR

 Not sequential VINs

Vehicle : 2001-2005 HONDA CIVIC

Vehicle Type :

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

**Descriptive Information :** The initial recall population was determined based on manufacturing records. According to the safety-defect determination set forth in Takata's equipment defect notifications and NHTSA's subsequent directive to conduct a national recall, the VIN range reflects the vehicles that could potentially experience the problem.

Should further information be provided to Honda from Takata or NHTSA (or otherwise developed) indicate it necessary or required, AHM will expand the recall population initially identified by Takata to cover other vehicles.

Production Dates : APR 25, 2000 - SEP 02, 2005

**VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range**

Begin : NR

End : NR

Not sequential VINs

**Description of Defect :**

Description of the Defect : According to the equipment defect notifications (15E-042, 15E-043) filed by Takata, in certain vehicles that were originally sold in, or ever registered in, geographic locations with high absolute humidity, a passenger frontal airbag inflator that originally was installed in a subject vehicle, or that was installed in a subject vehicle after a post-manufacture airbag deployment, could exhibit a symptom of producing excessive internal pressure.

As noted above, Takata also has asserted that certain models and model year vehicles are more susceptible than others to the defect(s) at issue in these recalls. To date, AHM has not been provided with, and is not aware of, the basis for such a contention.

NHTSA has now directed that the recall be national in scope and not limited (at least for owner notification purposes) to areas of high absolute humidity. (In order to avoid confusing Honda owners concerning the remedy program and to encourage owners to heed recall notifications, vehicles that received a remedy for a prior recall or safety improvement campaign [13V-132, 14V-349, 14V-353, 14V-700] are not included in this recall at this time.)

Description of the Safety Risk : If an affected airbag deploys, the increased internal pressure may cause the inflator to rupture. In the event of an inflator rupture, metal fragments could be propelled upward toward the windshield, or downward toward the front passenger's foot well, potentially causing injury to a vehicle occupant.

Description of the Cause : NR

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : NR

**Supplier Identification :**

**Component Manufacturer**

Name : T.K. Holdings, Inc.

Address : 888 16th Street NW

Suite 800 Washington DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA 20006

Country : United States

**Chronology :**

May 18, 2015

Takata submitted equipment defect notifications (15E-042, 15E-043) to NHTSA that identified a safety-related defect in the subject passenger frontal airbag inflators. Takata and NHTSA also executed a Consent Order in EA15-001. Copies of Takata's notifications and the Consent Order were received by Honda on May 19, 2015.

May 25, 2015

Based on the determination by Takata that a safety-related defect exists in the subject inflators, as set forth in the equipment defect notifications (15E-042, 15E-043) filed by Takata, and the content of the Consent Order, Honda decided to conduct a safety recall in areas of absolute high humidity, with the potential to expand to a national recall.

May 27, 2015

AHM submitted a defect information report to NHTSA proposing a safety recall limited to affected vehicles in areas of high absolute humidity with the potential to conduct a national recall if deemed necessary based on test results and other information.

June 1, 2015

NHTSA instructed AHM that the recall contemplated in the DIR submitted on May 27, 2015, must be national in scope. NHTSA reiterated this directive on June 4, 2015.

June 11, 2015

Based on the determination by Takata that a safety-related defect exists in the subject inflators, as set forth in the equipment defect notifications (15E-042, 15E-043) filed by Takata, and based on NHTSA's directive that the recall should be national in scope, Honda decided to conduct a nationwide safety recall.

**Description of Remedy :**

Description of Remedy Program : NHTSA has published a "Notice of Intent to Open a Coordinated Remedy Program Proceeding for the Replacement of Certain Takata Air Bag Inflators." See 80 Fed. Reg. 29791 (May 22, 2015). Subject to the orders, if any, issued in that proceeding, Honda will contact the owners of all affected vehicle by mail to inform them of the existence of a defect and, depending on vehicle location and history and parts availability, advise them either that they should take their vehicle to an authorized Honda or Acura automobile dealer for a free repair or that parts to conduct the recall repair are not available at this time. If parts are available, the dealer will replace the passenger frontal airbag inflator, free of charge. (As noted above, to avoid confusion, vehicles that received a remedy for a prior recall or safety improvement campaign [13V-132, 14V-349, 14V-353, 14V-700] already received a new inflator, and therefore are not included in this recall at this time.) If a replacement part is not available, dealers will work with owners to accommodate owner needs.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : NR

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : NR

**Recall Schedule :**

Description of Recall Schedule : NR

Planned Dealer Notification Date : JUN 15, 2015 - JUN 16, 2015

Planned Owner Notification Date : JUL 13, 2015 - AUG 11, 2015

\* NR - Not Reported