OMB Control No.: 2127-0004

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

15V-370

Manufacturer Name: Honda (American Honda Motor Co.)

Submission Date: JUN 23,2015 **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 instruction 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 instruction 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

End: NR Begin: 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 informed AHM that the recall must be national in scope and not limited (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.)

FMVSS 1:NR FMVSS 2:NR

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

June 11, 2015

Based on the foregoing, Honda decided to conduct a nationwide safety recall.

June 12, 2015

AHM filed a DIR reflecting the June 11 decision.

June 15, 2015

NHTSA acknowledged receipt of the June 12 DIR.

June 18, 2015

AHM filed an amended DIR.

June 23, 2015

After further discussions with NTHSA, AHM filed this revised DIR

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). On June 5, 2015, NHTSA published a notice opening such a proceeding. (80 Fed. Reg. 32197.) Subject to the orders, if any, issued in that proceeding, AHM anticipates that the owners of all affected vehicles will be contacted by mail and, depending on vehicle location and history, either be informed of the existence of a defect and told that parts are not available to conduct the recall repair or be informed of the existence of a defected and asked to take their vehicle to an authorized Honda or Acura automobile dealer. 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 18, 2015 - JUN 18, 2015

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

* NR - Not Reported