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DATE: October 23, 2015

TO: All Honda Sales, Service & Parts Managers and Personnel FROM: Campaign Administration

RE: Stop Sale/Safety Recall: 2015-16 Fit Rear Grab Handle Brackets

Yesterday, October 22, 2015, American Honda notified NHTSA of a **Stop Sale** and **Safety Recall** for approximately 25,000 model year 2015 and 2016 Fit LX without moonroof vehicles due to side curtain airbags that may not deploy as designed. **Any new or used units** in dealer stock **must be repaired per service bulletin**, *15-079, Safety Recall: Rear Grab Handle Brackets*, prior to sale. <u>Refer to your eResponsibility report or VIN inquiry to determine which units in your inventory are affected</u>. American Honda Motor Co. expects to begin initial customer notification in December 2015.

Note: Affected vehicles should not be sold until the repair has been completed. Should an unrepaired vehicle result in any claim because of the required recall repair, the dealership will be solely responsible to the claimant, and will be required to defend and indemnify American Honda for any resulting claims.

Basic Problem

The rear grab handle brackets were not manufactured as designed, potentially causing interference during side curtain airbag deployment. This interference may cause the side curtain airbag not to deploy as designed, increasing the risk of injury in the event of a side-impact crash or rollover event.

Parts Information

At this time, American Honda is working with the factory to procure repair kits to support this recall. Dealers will be updated via iN message once a schedule is established, and again when parts are available for order.

Campaign Information

A placeholder version of service bulletin 15-079, has been posted to the Service Information System as of October 23, 2015. Once parts are available, the bulletin will be revised to include warranty, parts, and repair information related to the recall campaign.

Warranty and Repair Information

Warranty and repair information will be detailed in a revised version service bulletin 15-079 once parts are available for order.

Click here for a copy of service bulletin 15-079