

AMENDED DEFECT INFORMATION REPORT 15V-370
Participation in ACRO Paragraph #47
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This submission is to inform NHTSA of Honda's intention to implement the "other/unreachable" reporting category.

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Defect description:

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. 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. 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.)

December 21, 2017 Update

This submission is to inform NHTSA of Honda's intention to implement the "other/unreachable" reporting category for removing certain eligible vehicles from recall outreach efforts and reporting those vehicles in the "other/unreachable" reporting category in forthcoming quarterly completion reports and biweekly completion reports, as permitted in the Third Amendment to the Coordinated Remedy Order (ACRO3), paragraphs 45 through 49. As required by ACRO3, the VINs of all vehicles counted as "other/unreachable" will remain active in Honda's data systems such that any search for the VIN will reflect an open recall status on the NHTSA web site, the Honda web site and any other data networks through which Honda communicates safety recall status information, including communications to Honda dealerships. For this reason, the number of potentially involved vehicles in this report will remain the same; however, Honda will consider them "remedied" for purposes of calculating the remedy completion under ACRO3, paragraph 35. IHS Markit data is still being reviewed in consultation with NHTSA; there is a possibility Honda will receive an update and therefore provide a supplement to the "other" category in 2018.