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Subject	Stop Sale/Noncompliance Recall: 2004-07 Accord Incorrect Passenger Airbag Assy
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DATE: March 29, 2016

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

FROM: Campaign Administration

RE: Stop Sale/Noncompliance Recall: 2004-07 Accord Incorrect Passenger Airbag Assembly

Yesterday, March 28, 2016, American Honda notified NHTSA of a **Noncompliance Recall** affecting certain model year 2004-07 Accord vehicles to inspect for incorrectly installed passenger airbag assemblies. **Any used units** in dealer stock **must be repaired per service bulletin, 16-033 Noncompliance Recall: 2004-07 Accord Front Passenger Airbag, prior to sale.** Refer to your eResponsibility report or VIN inquiry to determine which units in your inventory are affected. American Honda Motor Co., Inc. expects to begin customer notification in early May 2016.

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

Due to a manufacturing error, a small number of Central/South American spec passenger airbag assemblies were installed in US spec 2004-07 Accord vehicles produced by Honda de Mexico, Guadalajara. Due to improper record keeping, it is impossible to determine which vehicles are affected without inspection.

Takata Passenger Airbag Inflator Recall Overlap

Vehicles affected by this noncompliance recall are also affected by the Takata passenger front airbag inflator safety recall. Dealers should first process service bulletin 16-033 and then, if still applicable, continue on to service bulletin 15-067. Should a vehicle receive a replacement airbag assembly, inflator replacement will no longer be necessary. Likewise, if the passenger inflator has already been replaced in a particular vehicle, it will not require assembly replacement. Successful completion of either 15-067 or 16-033 will result in a repaired vehicle, and in no case will both bulletins need to be completed for a particular VIN. Filing a claim under one service bulletin will result in the other bulletin also being marked as complete in VIN inquiry.

Refer to the attached PDF flowchart indicating the correct process to follow for vehicles affected by this recall.

Campaign Information

Service bulletin 16-033, has been posted to the Service Information System as of March 29, 2016, and includes warranty, parts, and repair information related to the recall campaign.

Parts Information

Replacement passenger airbag assemblies are available through the controlled parts ordering system.

Warranty and Repair Information

Warranty and repair information is detailed in service bulletin 16-033.

Customer Notification

American Honda expects to complete initial customer notification by early May.

As always, please be sure to check VIN status inquiry to determine if a particular VIN is affected by this recall.

Click [here](#) for a copy of bulletin 16-033.

Click [here](#) for the flowchart.