

July 13, 2017

Mr. John Turley Honda (American Honda Motor Co.) 1919 Torrance Blvd Torrance, CA 90501

Subject: Battery Sensor May Short

Dear Mr. Turley:

This letter serves to acknowledge Honda (American Honda Motor Co.)'s notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) listed below. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

Makes/Models/Model Years: HONDA/ACCORD/2013-2016

Mfr's Report Date: June 29, 2017

NHTSA Campaign Number: 17V-418

**Components:** ELECTRICAL SYSTEM:BATTERY

Potential Number of Units Affected: 1,148,550

## **Problem Description:**

Honda (American Honda Motor Co.) is recalling certain 2013-2016 Honda Accord vehicles. The case for the battery sensor, part of the battery management system, may allow water to get in, potentially causing an electrical short.

## **Consequence:**

An electrical short increases the risk of a fire.

## **Remedy:**

Honda will notify owners, and dealers will replace the sensor, free of charge. Remedy parts are currently unavailable. Dealers will perform an interim remedy of applying adhesive to the case to prevent water intrusion. Interim notices are expected to be mailed on July 31, 2017. Owners will need to have the permanent remedy completed once they receive a second notice. Owners may contact American Honda Customer Support Center at 1-888-234-2138. Honda's number for this recall is KG0.

## Notes:

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.safercar.gov.



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> NEF-150SM 17V-418

We have received Honda's proposed interim owner notification letter and have approved it for distribution.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on, or before, 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Sarah Mcshane who may be reached by phone at 202-366-7401, or by email at sarah.mcshane@dot.gov or through the office email at rmd.odi@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Timian Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigations Enforcement

