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Statement by American Honda Regarding Expanded Recall of Takata Nondesiccated Passenger Front Airbag Inflators: Phase 3

- Approximately 465,000 additional Honda and Acura vehicles in the U.S. will be included in an expanded recall calling for the free replacement of nondesiccated Takata front <u>passenger</u> airbag inflators with adequate parts on hand to begin repairs immediately (excludes vehicles subject to prior Takata inflator recalls)
- A total of approximately 717,000 vehicles, including those also subject to prior recalls, will be affected by this action
- Adds 960 Honda Gold Wing motorcycles to the recall, including early recall of inflators scheduled to be recalled in Phase 4

TORRANCE, Calif. – January 9, 2018 – In the third phase of planned recalls announced by NHTSA in May 2016 and based on recent Defect Information Reports (18E-001, 18E-002, and 18E-003) from the airbag inflator supplier Takata, Honda will conduct recalls covering approximately 717,000 Honda and Acura automobiles in the United States to replace, for free, Takata passenger front airbag inflators that do not contain a moisture absorbing desiccant. Excluding vehicles subject to the earlier Takata airbag inflator recalls, approximately 465,000 additional Honda and Acura vehicles in the U.S. will become subject to recall for the first time as a result of this action.

Including the recall announced today, Honda has adequate replacement part supplies to repair all Honda and Acura models currently included in inflator recalls in the United States. Owners of affected vehicles can seek repair immediately at authorized Honda and Acura dealers.

No additional driver front airbag inflators in Honda or Acura automobiles will be subject to recall in this action, as all potentially affected driver inflators already are subject to prior recalls. However, some vehicles previously repaired under earlier driver front inflator recalls will now require replacement of those vehicles' passenger front inflators under this new action.

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In addition, 960 Honda Gold Wing Airbag motorcycles from the 2009-2016 model years will be recalled to replace optional Takata non-desiccated airbag inflator modules installed on those vehicles. Due to the relatively small vehicle population and an adequate supply of replacement inflators, Honda has elected to pull forward the recall of motorcycles that would have been included in Phase 4 of NHTSA's recall plan (scheduled for January 2019), placing them under recall earlier than required. With this action, all Honda motorcycles equipped with defective inflators in the U.S. are now eligible for repair. There have been no Takata airbag inflator ruptures involving Honda motorcycles globally. For more information about the history of Honda motorcycle airbags, please visit http://world.honda.com/MotorcycleAirbag/history/

Honda is announcing this recall to encourage each owner of an affected vehicle to take it to an authorized dealer for repair as soon as they receive notification of this recall from Honda. Mailed notification to customers will begin in late-February 2018. Automobile owners may check their vehicles' recall status now at <u>www.recalls.honda.com</u> and <u>www.recalls.acura.com</u> or by calling (888) 234-2138 for automobile customers. Motorcycle customers can check recall status at <u>www.powersports.honda.com/recalls</u> or they can call (866) 784-1870 for Honda motorcycle recall information.

With this new action, a total of approximately 11.9 million Honda and Acura automobiles have been or now are subject to recall for replacement of a Takata driver and/or passenger front airbag inflator in the United States, with approximately 4,540 Honda motorcycles subject to recall for the replacement of the Takata airbag inflator module.

Automobile models and model years included in the <u>third</u> stage of the expansion of the Takata non-desiccated passenger front inflator recall (certain specific vehicles only):

- 2009-2012 Acura RL
- 2009-2013 Acura TSX
- 2011-2013 Acura TSX Wagon
- 2010-2013 Acura ZDX
- 2009-2012 Honda Accord
- 2010-2013 Honda Crosstour
- 2009-2011 Honda Civic
- 2009-2011 Honda CR-V
- 2009-2011 Honda Element

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- 2013 Honda FCX Clarity
- 2009-2013 Honda Fit
- 2013 Honda Fit EV
- 2010-2013 Honda Insight
- 2009-2013 Honda Pilot
- 2009-2013 Honda Ridgeline

Motorcycle models and model years included in the <u>third</u> phase of the Takata nondesiccated airbag inflator recall (certain specific vehicles only):

• 2009-2016 Honda Gold Wing Airbag

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