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**Statement by American Honda Regarding Passenger Airbag Inflator Kit Installation Error Recall**

- **492 vehicles are affected, only in the United States**
- **Certain passenger airbag inflator kits may have been installed incorrectly during Takata inflator recall repairs at several Honda dealers**
- **Affected passenger front airbag modules will be replaced, for free**
- **No injuries have been reported related to this issue**

TORRANCE, Calif. – May 15, 2018 – American Honda will voluntarily recall 492 Honda vehicles to inspect and, if needed, replace the passenger front airbag module assembly, for free. While performing recall replacements of Takata passenger airbag inflators, dealer technicians at several U.S. dealers may have installed replacement inflators incorrectly in these vehicles. If an airbag with an incorrectly-installed inflator deploys in a crash, the airbag may not inflate properly, increasing the risk of injury to passengers. No improper deployments or injuries have been reported related to this issue.

Honda initiated a similar recall in September 2017 and later expanded the recall in November 2017 based on additional findings. In February and March 2018, Honda received new reports of installation errors from additional dealers and initiated investigations to determine the cause and scope of the errors, ultimately resulting in this new recall. In response to these installation errors, Honda has taken steps to reinforce the correct repair procedure, as listed in existing Service Bulletins, with all dealer technicians.

Honda is announcing this recall to encourage each owner of an affected vehicle to take their vehicle to an authorized Honda dealer for the free inspection and, if needed, repair as soon they receive notice of the recall. The dealers at which installation errors were made are currently attempting to reach owners of affected vehicles to schedule

inspections and repairs as soon as possible. Mailed notification to owners of remaining unrepaired vehicles will begin before mid-June 2018. Additionally, owners of these models can determine now if their vehicles require inspection at [www.recalls.honda.com](http://www.recalls.honda.com) or by calling (888) 234-2138.

Affected Models (492 specific vehicles):

Honda:

2003-2012 Accord

2010 Accord Crosstour

2001-2011 Civic

2002-2011 CR-V

2003-2011 Element

2007-2013 Fit

2010-2012 Insight

2002-2004 Odyssey

2003-2012 Pilot

2012 Ridgeline

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