

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

April 9, 2020

Ms. Robin Grangruth Legal Specialist KTM North America, Inc. 38429 Innovation Ct Murrieta, CA 92563 NEF-150JK 20V-198

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

Subject: Rear Brakes May Fail

Dear Ms. Grangruth:

This letter serves to acknowledge KTM North America, Inc.'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:

KTM/790 ADVENTURE/2019-2020 KTM/790 ADVENTURE R/2019-2020

Mfr's Report Date: April 6, 2020

NHTSA Campaign Number: 20V-198

Components:

SERVICE BRAKES, HYDRAULIC: FOUNDATION COMPONENTS: HOSES, LINES/PIPING, AND FITTINGS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 3,164

Problem Description:

KTM North America, Inc. (KTM) is recalling certain 2019-2020 790 Adventure and 790 Adventure R motorcycles. The rear brake hose may overheat, causing the rear brake system to fail.

Consequence:

If the rear brake system fails, there would be reduced braking ability, increasing the risk of a crash or injury.

Remedy:

KTM will notify owners, and dealers will install a new rear brake line, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin June 1, 2020. Owners may contact KTM customer service at 1-888-985-6090. KTM's number for this recall is TB2011.

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.



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

NHTSA is missing critical, required information for this safety recall. This information must be supplied through the NHTSA Recalls Portal within 5 working days of confirming its accuracy:

- A statement that the defect or noncompliance can cause a vehicle crash without prior warning; or a description of whatever prior warning may occur, and a statement that if this warning is not heeded, a vehicle crash can occur (49 CFR 577.5 (f)(1)).
- As required in Part 573.6(c)(6), in the case of a defect, please amend the chronology to include all principal events that were the basis for the determination that the defect related to motor vehicle safety, including a summary of all warranty claims, field or service reports, and other information, with their dates of receipt.
- If the defect or noncompliance involved in this recall involves a specific component or components, your report must include (1) The name of the component or components, (2) A description of the component or components, and (3), The part number of the component or components, if any. (49 USC 30119(g)). This information should go in the "Involved Components" section.

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).

Please be reminded that under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a)(3), it is illegal for a manufacturer, to sell, offer for sale, import, or introduce or deliver into interstate commerce, a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment that contains a safety defect once the manufacturer has notified NHTSA about that safety defect. This prohibition does not apply once the motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment has been remedied according to the manufacturer's instructions.

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 Jennifer Kruger who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-2461, or by email at jennifer.kruger@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Joshua Neff Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigations

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