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May 27, 2021

Mr. Jeffrey Giuseppe
Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Attn: Recall Management Division (NVS-215)
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: NHTSA Recall No. 21V-382
Part 573, Noncompliance Information Report
2020-2021 Model Year Honda Motorcycles
Rear Reflector Noncompliant

Dear Mr. Giuseppe:

In accordance with the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act and 49 CFR Part 573 Defect and Noncompliance and Responsibility Reports, Honda is submitting the enclosed amended Noncompliance Information Report regarding NHTSA recall number 21V-382 originally submitted on May 24, 2021. The amendment adds the potential risk for injury to section 573.6(c)(5), Noncompliance description.

If you have any questions about this report, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

AMERICAN HONDA MOTOR CO., INC.



Jeff Chang
Senior Manager
Product Regulatory Office

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Noncompliance Information Report

573.6(c)(1)

Name of manufacturer: Thai Honda Manufacturing Co., Ltd.

Manufacturer's agent: Jeff Chang
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573.6(c)(2)

Identification of potentially affected vehicles:

<u>Make/Model</u>	<u>Model Year</u>	<u>Dates of Manufacture</u>	<u>Number of Vehicles</u>
Honda Super Cub C125	2020	01/10/2020 to 03/10/2020	756
Honda Super Cub C125	2021	04/01/2020 to 02/08/2021	720
Honda CB500F	2021	11/06/2020 to 02/06/2021	256
Honda CB500X	2020	01/10/2020 to 06/24/2020	270
Honda CB500X	2021	08/07/2020 to 02/05/2021	570
Honda CB650R	2020	02/15/2020 to 08/14/2020	256
Honda CB650R	2021	11/11/2020 to 01/14/2021	192
Honda CBR300R	2020	01/16/2020 to 11/03/2020	160
Honda CBR300R	2021	01/08/2021 to 02/08/2021	272
Honda CBR500R	2020	01/09/2020 to 04/03/2020	512
Honda CBR500R	2021	10/07/2020 to 02/11/2021	928
Honda CBR650R	2020	02/11/2020 to 08/20/2020	448
Honda CBR650R	2021	01/22/2021 to 01/22/2021	96
Honda Rebel 300	2020	01/06/2020 to 09/24/2020	608
Honda Rebel 300	2021	11/10/2020 to 01/28/2021	2,144
Honda Rebel 500	2020	01/08/2020 to 09/30/2020	1,504
Honda Rebel 500	2021	11/10/2020 to 02/12/2021	2,090
Honda CRF250L	2020	01/07/2020 to 10/07/2020	3,240
Honda CRF300L	2021	01/19/2021 to 02/12/2021	1,020
Honda GROM	2020	01/07/2020 to 02/06/2021	7,686
Honda MONKEY	2020	01/14/2020 to 03/26/2020	1,134
Honda MONKEY	2021	06/02/2020 to 02/11/2021	3,666

Description of the basis for the determination of the recall population:

The recall population was determined based on manufacturing records. The manufacturing range reflects all possible vehicles that could potentially experience the problem.

Description of how the vehicles being recalled differ from similar vehicles not included in the recall:

All vehicles referenced above within the production range of January 2020 through February 2021 are affected. As a process improvement effort, the rear reflector supplier has corrected the manufacturing process and implemented a final inspection of the reflectors.

Identification of affected component:

Component: Reflex Reflector
Part No.: 33741-KPL-9021-M1

Country of Origin: India
Manufacturer: FIEM Industries Limited

573.6(c)(3)
Total number of potentially affected vehicles: 28,528

573.6(c)(4)
Percentage of affected vehicles that contain the noncompliance: 100%

573.6(c)(5)
Noncompliance description:

Due to a change in the manufacturing process, the injection molding cycle time for the affected vehicles' rear reflector lens was shortened, resulting in reflectors having lower photometric performance than intended. As a result, the reflectors may not comply with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (FMVSS) 108 – Lamps, reflective devices, and associated equipment, potentially reducing vehicle visibility and increasing the risk of a crash and injury.

573.6(c)(7)
Determination of noncompliance:

December 2020
After a compliance test by Korean motor vehicle authorities on a sampling of rear reflectors, Honda Korea was informed that the rear reflectors of a Korean market vehicle were noncompliant.

December 2020 – January 2021
Honda and the rear reflector supplier performed internal tests to further investigate the noncompliance and confirmed that the rear reflectors were noncompliant because of a shortened injection molding cycle time of the reflector lens.

January – March 2021
Honda investigated the affected population and whether the affected models were out of compliance under other countries' regulations.

May 17, 2021

Honda determined that an FMVSS noncompliance existed on the referenced models and decided to conduct a noncompliance recall.

573.6(c)(8)(i)

Program for remedying the noncompliance:

Registered owners of all affected vehicles will be contacted by mail and asked to take their vehicle to an authorized Honda Powersports dealer. The dealer will replace the rear reflector for free. Owners who have paid to have these repairs completed at their own expense will be eligible for reimbursement, in accord with the recall reimbursement plan on file with NHTSA.

573.6(c)(8)(ii)

The estimated date to start notification to dealers: May 24, 2021

The estimated date to start notifications to owners: July 23, 2021

573.6(c)(10)

Representative copies of all notices, bulletins, and other communications:

A copy of the dealer service bulletin, the final owner notification letter, and other dealer communication will be submitted to your office as soon as possible.

A draft of the owner notification letter will be submitted to your office as soon as possible.

573.6(c)(11)

Manufacturer's campaign number: KM3