



U.S. Department of Transportation

**National Highway Traffic Safety
Administration**

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

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25V363

Alex Goeman
Kawasaki Motors Corp., U.S.A.
26972 Burbank
Foothill Ranch, CA 92610

Subject: Improper Electrical Ground Connection Between Battery and Frame

Dear Alex Goeman:

This letter serves to acknowledge Kawasaki Motors Corp., U.S.A.'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:

KAWASAKI/W230/2025

Mfr's Report Date: May 30, 2025

NHTSA Campaign Number: 25V363

Components:

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM:WIRING
ENGINE

Potential Number of Units Affected: 482

Problem Description:

Kawasaki Motors Corp., U.S.A. (KMC) is recalling certain 2025 BJ230A (W230 ABS) motorcycles. The electrical ground connection between the battery and frame may become unstable and result in an engine stall.

Consequence:

An engine stall increases the risk of a crash or injury.

Remedy:

KMC will replace the battery harness and secure the ground connection, free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule. KMC's number for this recall is MC25-06.

Notes:

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-888-275-9171), or go to www.nhtsa.gov.

Please ensure the following requirements are met:**Dealer Notification Not Supplied / Dealer Notification Date Missing**

Provide a copy of the recall notification issued to your dealers as required by 49 CFR §577.13. Any communications issued to your dealers must be submitted through the NHTSA Recalls Portal along with their issuance date. If you do not have a dealer network, please indicate No Dealers using the checkbox on an amended 573 report.

AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.

Planned Notification Begin and End Dates Not Supplied

Provide the estimated date(s) for which your company will notify owners regarding this safety recall as required by (49 CFR 573.6 (c)(8)(ii), in an amended Part 573 Recall Report through the NHTSA Recalls Portal. If there are no owners involved in this recall, please indicate No Owners using the checkbox on an amended 573 report.

AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.

We have received your proposed owner notification letter and it is currently under review. You will be notified of any changes or concerns once our review is complete.

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 49 U.S.C. § 30118(f), submission of eight consecutive quarterly reports followed by three annual reports is required. As described in 573.7, submission of the first of eight 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. The first of three consecutive annual status reports will be due on, or before, 1 year after the eighth quarterly report was submitted.

Kawasaki Motors Corp., U.S.A.'s contact for this recall will be Demara Magruder who may be reached by email at demara.magruder@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Alex Ansley

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Chief, Recall Management Division

Office of Defects Investigation

Enforcement