

**REPAIR PROCEDURE B: OPDS SENSOR REPLACEMENT**

1. Remove the seat-back cover from the front passenger's seat:
  - Using the appropriate service manual, go to section 20 (Body), and do the removal steps under **Front Seat Cover Replacement**, or
  - Online, enter keyword **SEAT COVER**, then select **Front Seat Cover Replacement** from the list, and do the removal steps in the procedure.
2. Slide the seat-back cushion (foam) off the seat-back frame. (The OPDS sensor is built into the seat-back cushion.)
3. Slide a new seat-back cushion over the seat-back frame. Make sure the cushion is centered.
4. Install the seat-back cover:
  - Using the appropriate service manual, go to section 20 (Body), and do the installation step under **Front Seat Cover Replacement**, or
  - Online, enter keyword **SEAT COVER**, then select **Front Seat Cover Replacement** from the list, and do the installation step in the procedure.
5. Initialize the OPDS unit:
  - To initialize with the HDS, go to **Initializing the OPDS Unit: HDS Method** in this service bulletin.
  - To initialize with the SCS service connector, go to **Initializing the OPDS Unit: Manual Mode** in this service bulletin.

*Example of Customer Letter*

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### **Warranty Extension: Main Components of the Occupant Position Detection System**

Dear Honda Owner:

As part of our commitment to vehicle safety, your Honda has several features that help protect you and your passengers. One of these features is the occupant position detection system (OPDS). Although we do not encourage young children to ride in the front seat, the OPDS reduces their risk of injury from an inflating side airbag by turning off the airbag if they are out of position and leaning toward the door.

#### **Warranty Extension Details**

To ensure the OPDS remains in top condition, we are extending the warranty on the main components of the system, the OPDS control unit and the OPDS sensor, to 10 years or 150,000 miles, whichever occurs first.

If the red supplemental restraint system (SRS) indicator on the instrument panel stays on, take your vehicle to any Honda dealer for an inspection. If there is a problem with the OPDS control unit or the OPDS sensor, and your vehicle is within the extended warranty time/mileage period, the dealer will replace the control unit or the sensor *free of charge*. The inspection is also free of charge, even if there is not a problem with the OPDS control unit or the OPDS sensor and your vehicle is within the extended warranty time/mileage period. Other components of the OPDS and the SRS are covered by your vehicle's normal warranty.

This warranty extension does not apply to any vehicle that has ever been declared a total loss, or any that has been issued a salvage, branded, or similar title under any state's law.

Please keep a copy of this letter in your glove box, along with your vehicle's warranty information booklet.

#### **What to do if you feel this notice is in error**

Our records show that you are the current owner or lessee of a Honda receiving this warranty extension. If this is not the case, or the name/address information is incorrect, please fill out and return the enclosed, postage-paid *Information Change Card*. We will then update our records.

If you paid to have a defective OPDS control unit or OPDS sensor replaced sometime in the past, you may be eligible for reimbursement. Refer to the attached *Instructions for Reimbursement* for eligibility requirements and the reimbursement procedure.

#### **If you have questions**

If you have questions about this notice, or need assistance with contacting a Honda dealer, please call Automobile Customer Service at (800) 999-1009.

Sincerely,

**American Honda Motor Co., Inc.  
Honda Automobile Division**