



U.S. Department
of Transportation
**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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1919 TORRANCE BLVD.
TORRENCE, CA 90501

NVS-215kjs
10V-145

SUBJECT: AIRBAG DASHBOARD COVERING

DEAR MR. JOSEPH:

This letter serves to acknowledge American Honda Motor Co.'s (Honda) notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall campaign which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the vehicles 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:
ACURA/ZDX/2010

NHTSA Campaign Number: 10V-145 **Mfg's Report Date:** April 9, 2010

Components: AIR BAGS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 1,854

Summary:

HONDA IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2010 ACURA ZDX PASSENGER CARS MANUFACTURED BETWEEN NOVEMBER 12, 2009 AND MARCH 22, 2010. DURING THE MANUFACTURING PROCESS, THE DASHBOARD COVERING MATERIAL MAY HAVE NOT BEEN PROPERLY LASER SCORED TO ALLOW COMPLETE DEPLOYMENT OF THE FRONT PASSENGER'S SRS AIRBAG.

Consequence:

IN THE EVENT OF A CRASH, THE AIRBAG WILL NOT DEPLOY PROPERLY, INCREASING THE RISK OF INJURY.

Remedy:

HONDA WILL NOTIFY OWNERS AND ACURA DEALERS WILL INSPECT THE DASHBOARD COVERING MATERIAL AND REPLACE IF NECESSARY FREE OF CHARGE. THE SAFETY RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON OR ABOUT APRIL 21, 2010. OWNERS MAY CONTACT ACURA CLIENT SERVICES AT 1-800-382-2238.

Notes:

HONDA'S RECALL CAMPAIGN NUMBER IS R34. CUSTOMERS MAY CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://www.safercar.gov).

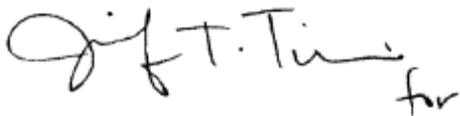
The information in your defect report appears to satisfy the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6.

We have reviewed Honda's proposed owner notification letter and it meets the requirements of Part 577. 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).

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter in which the campaign was initiated. Thereafter, quarterly reports will be due on or before 30 days after close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Kelly Schuler, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5227, by email at Kelly.Schuler@dot.gov, or through the office email at RMD.ODI@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for the successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "G. H. Person" with a small "for" written below it.

George H. Person
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement

