

**INITIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT FAX SHEET OF RECEIPT OF DEFECT INFORMATION
REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573**

Assigned Recall No. 01V-217 by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: **June 22, 2001**

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MANUFACTURER: **BMW of North America, Inc.**

MANUFACTURER CONTACT: **Mr. Karl-Heinz Ziwica, General Manager
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SUBJECT: 3,342 BMW 1998-1999 R 1200 C motorcycles with chrome-plated frames and manufactured from June 1997 through June 1998. Copper residue can remain in the tapped hole where the upper fork bridge attaches to the frame. Due to the resulting electrolysis between the copper residue and the aluminum frame, in conjunction with moisture, corrosion could take place. The pre-stress of the connecting bolt that attaches the upper fork bridge to the frame head might decrease, leading to loosening and ultimately to breakage of the bolt.

This is an initial acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be forthcoming shortly. After our review of your report and associated documents, we may have additional comments or concerns.

We have reviewed your owner notification letter and it meets the requirements of Part 577.

As stated in Part 573.6, 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.**

As stated in your report, owner notification is expected to begin during August 2001. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due October 30, 2001.

If you have any questions, please call:

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