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OFFICE OF DEFECTS
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Mr. Daniel Smith
Associate Administrator for Enforcement
NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY
ADMINISTRATION
400 Seventh St., S.W.
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Mr. Smith:

Following information is submitted pursuant to the requirements of 49 CFR Part 573.6, as it applies to a determination by American Honda Motor Co., Inc. of a non-compliance involving owner's manuals for 2006 and 2007 model year Honda vehicles, Acura vehicles and Honda motorcycles.

573.6(c)(1)

Name of manufacturer: Honda of America Manufacturing, Inc.
Honda Manufacturing of Alabama, LLC
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573.6(c)(2)

Identification of potentially affected component:

HONDA AND ACURA VEHICLE OWNER'S MANUALS

Component Name	Dates of Printing	
	To	To
Certain 2006 model year owner's manuals	Honda Accord Hybrid	September 2005 To July 2006
	Honda Accord Sedan	August 2005 To February 2006
	Honda Civic Hybrid	September 2005 To July 2006
	Honda Civic Sedan	July 2005 To February 2006
	Honda Civic Coupe	August 2005 To July 2006
	Honda CR-V	July 2005 To July 2006
	Honda Element	September 2005 To May 2006
	Honda Insight	August 2005 To July 2006
	Honda Odyssey	July 2005 To May 2006
	Honda Pilot	July 2005 To April 2006
	Honda Ridgeline	May 2006 To May 2006
	Honda S2000	August 2005 To July 2006

	Acura MDX	August 2005	To	April 2006
	Acura RL	August 2005	To	July 2006
	Acura RSX	June 2005	To	July 2006
	Acura TL	August 2005	To	April 2006
	Acura TSX	September 2005	To	July 2006
Certain 2007 model year owner's manuals	Honda Fit	December 2005	To	July 2006

HONDA MOTORCYCLE OWNER'S MANUALS

	Component Name	Dates of Printing
Certain 2006 model year owner's manuals	CHF50/S Metropolitan	December 2005
	CH80 Elite	July 2005
	CN250 Helix	October 2005
	NSS250/A/S/AS Reflex	October 2005
	CBR600RR	September 2005
	VFR800/A	November 2005
	CB900F (919)	January 2006
	RVT1000R (RC51)	December 2005
	CBR1000RR	December 2005
	ST1300/A	November 2005
	ST1300/P	December 2005
	VTX1800R/S/N	January 2006
	VTX1800C/F	January 2006
	GL1800 Goldwing	May 2006
Certain 2007 model year owner's manuals	CN250 Helix	May 2006
	VT600C/CD	April 2006
	VT750C	March 2006
	VT750DC Shadow Spirit	April 2006
	VT1100C	March 2006
	VT1100C2	March 2006

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

A review of the information published in our owner's manual was compared to the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6(2)(i), it was established that the language in the owner's manuals was at variance with the current mandatory requirement.

573.6(c)(3)

Total number of owner's manuals potentially affected:

2006 model year Honda and Acura vehicle owner's manuals:	approx. 1,108,000
2007 model year Honda and Acura vehicle owner's manuals:	approx. 18,000
2006 model year Honda motorcycle owner's manuals:	approx. 56,000
2007 model year Honda motorcycle owner's manuals:	approx. 8,000

573.6(c)(4)

Percentage of affected owner's manuals that contain the defect: 100%

573.6(c)(5)

Defect description:

The owner's manuals do not contain the correct, required text concerning contact information for the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, which is to be effective on September 1, 2006 and was available with early voluntary compliance after June 21, 2005. The incorrect Vehicle Safety Hotline toll-free telephone number and web site address were printed in the affected owner's manuals.

573.6(c)(8)(i)

Program for remedying the non-compliance:

Honda will send a postcard to our dealers and vehicle owners with the correct NHTSA Vehicle Safety Hotline information and with instruction to insert the card into the "Reporting Safety Defects" section of the owner's manual.

573.6(c)(8)(ii)

The estimated date to begin sending notifications to dealers: Early August 2006

The estimated date to begin sending notifications to owners: Mid-August 2006

Sincerely,

AMERICAN HONDA MOTOR CO., INC.



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