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## **IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL NOTICE**

Dear GL1800 Owner:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

### **What is the reason for this notice?**

Honda has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in 2001-2012 model year GL1800 motorcycles. The secondary master cylinder repair conducted in 2011, pursuant to NHTSA recall 11V-567, was not sufficient enough in preventing the rear brake from dragging. Under certain conditions there is still a possibility that the combined braking system's secondary master cylinder may cause the rear brake to drag. Unexpected braking increases the risk of a crash and riding the motorcycle with the rear brake dragging may generate enough heat to cause the rear brake to catch fire.

### **What should you do?**

You can continue to ride your motorcycle if you carefully inspect it before and after each ride. Please read and follow the accompanying instructions regarding steps you can take to inspect your motorcycle for this issue.

A permanent repair remedy is not yet available and Honda will send you another letter when a permanent repair becomes available. If you suspect that your rear brake is dragging, contact your Honda Motorcycle dealer to set an appointment for an inspection, free of charge.

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

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please call Honda Motorcycle Customer Service at 1-866-784-1870. Customers can also locate a dealer online at <http://www.powersports.honda.com>.

Owners may also contact:

Administrator  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
1200 New Jersey Ave., SE  
Washington, DC 20590

Or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

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

Registration records indicate that you are the current owner of a 2001-2012 GL1800 involved in this campaign. If this is not the case, or the name/address information is not correct, please fill out and return the enclosed, postage-paid *Information Change Card*. We will then update our records.

### **What if you already had your motorcycle repaired for this issue?**

If you previously paid to have the secondary master cylinder repaired or replaced, you may be eligible for reimbursement. Refer to the attached *Instructions for Reimbursement* for the eligibility requirements and the reimbursement procedure.

### **Lessor Information:**

Federal law requires that any motorcycle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within 10 days.

We apologize for any inconvenience this campaign may cause you.

Sincerely,

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

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