

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

December 12, 2017

Mr. Francesco Valentini Head of Homologation MV Agusta USA, LLC 10 Canal Street Suite 224 Bristol, PA 19007

Subject: Rear Wheel Spokes May Loosen

Dear Mr. Valentini:

This letter serves to acknowledge MV Agusta USA, LLC's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) 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.

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

NEF-150JK

17V-772

#### Makes/Models/Model Years:

MV AGUSTA/BRUTALE 800 Dragster RR/2017

Mfr's Report Date: December 1, 2017

NHTSA Campaign Number: 17V-772

**Components:** WHEELS:RIM

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 45

# **Problem Description:**

MV Agusta USA, LLC (MV Agusta) is recalling certain 2017 Brutale 800 Dragster RR motorcycles. The spokes on the rear wheel may loosen, potentially affecting the motorcycle's handling.

# **Consequence:**

If the handling is compromised from the loose spokes on the rear wheel, there would be an increased risk of a crash.

#### Remedy:

MV Agusta will notify owners, and dealers will replace the rear wheels, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin December 13, 2017. Owners may contact MV Agusta customer service at 1-215-781-1770. MV Agusta's number for this recall is 2813.

# **Notes:**

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.safercar.gov.



Please be reminded of the following requirements:

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).

Please be reminded that under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a)(3), it is illegal for a manufacturer, to sell, offer for sale, import, or introduce or deliver into interstate commerce, a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment that contains a safety defect once the manufacturer has notified NHTSA about that safety defect. This prohibition does not apply once the motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment has been remedied according to the manufacturer's instructions.

The information in your report suggests that MV Agusta may have been aware of this issue more than five business days before filing a report with NHTSA. Please be reminded that under Federal law, this agency is to be notified of all safety defect and/or noncompliance decisions within five business days. 49 CFR 573.6

As stated in Part 573.7, 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. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on, or before, 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Jennifer Kruger who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-2461, or by email at jennifer.kruger@dot.gov or through the office email at rmd.odi@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Timian

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigations

Enforcement

