

September 10, 2020

Mr. Jeffrey Giuseppe  
Associate Administrator for Enforcement  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
Attn: Recall Management Division (NVS-215)  
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE  
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: NHTSA Recall No. 20V-026  
Part 573, Amended Defect Information Report  
Multi-model Acura and Honda Vehicles  
Takata Non-Azide Driver Inflator (NADI)

Dear Mr. Giuseppe:

In accordance with the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act and 49 CFR Part 573 Defect and Noncompliance and Responsibility Reports, Honda is submitting the enclosed amended Defect Information Report regarding NHTSA recall number 20V-026 originally submitted on January 17, 2020. Review of manufacturing records revealed that certain vehicles were incorrectly included in the recall even though these vehicles were not originally equipped with the recalled component. Conversely, the review also identified certain vehicles that were not included in the recall that should have been, as those vehicles originally were equipped with the recalled component. As a result, we are excluding from the recall 61,148 vehicles originally included in the recall and are adding 284 vehicles to the recall. Net, we are decreasing the affected vehicle population by 60,864 units. The manufacturer's campaign numbers are being superseded to appropriately account for these changes.

| <u>Number of Vehicles to Exclude</u> |                   |         | <u>Number of Vehicles to Include</u> |               |      |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|---------|--------------------------------------|---------------|------|
| MY1997                               | Acura 2.2CL       | -24,651 | MY1999                               | Acura 3.2TL   | +3   |
| MY1997                               | Acura 3.0CL       | -20,402 | MY1997                               | Honda CR-V    | +37  |
| MY1998                               | Honda Civic Sedan | -15,973 | MY1998                               | Honda CR-V    | +59  |
| MY1998                               | Honda EV Plus     | -122    | MY1999                               | Honda CR-V    | +121 |
|                                      |                   |         | MY2000                               | Honda CR-V    | +40  |
|                                      |                   |         | MY1998                               | Honda Odyssey | +24  |

If you have any questions about this report, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

AMERICAN HONDA MOTOR CO., INC.



Jeff Chang  
Senior Manager  
Product Regulatory Office

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## Amended Defect Information Report

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### Identification of potentially affected vehicles:

#### Initial Report

| <u>Make/Model</u> | <u>Model Year</u> | <u>Dates of Manufacture</u> | <u>Number of Vehicles</u> |
|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Acura 2.2CL       | 1997              | 08/31/1995 to 08/25/1997    | 24,651                    |
| Acura 3.0CL       | 1997              | 03/07/1996 to 09/30/1997    | 20,402                    |
| Acura 3.2TL       | 1999              | 01/07/1998 to 08/27/1999    | 55,767                    |
| Honda Civic Sedan | 1998              | 08/04/1997 to 07/01/1998    | 20,322                    |
| Honda CR-V        | 1997              | 09/11/1996 to 12/01/1997    | 72,694                    |
| Honda CR-V        | 1998              | 04/22/1997 to 11/02/1998    | 96,640                    |
| Honda CR-V        | 1999              | 09/01/1998 to 09/30/1999    | 110,706                   |
| Honda CR-V        | 2000              | 08/07/1999 to 12/28/1999    | 29,434                    |
| Honda EV Plus     | 1998              | 03/26/1997 to 07/31/1998    | 224                       |
| Honda Odyssey     | 1998              | 05/19/1997 to 06/01/1998    | 14,579                    |

#### Amended Report (updates in bold)

| <u>Make/Model</u>  | <u>Model Year</u> | <u>Dates of Manufacture</u>     | <u>Number of Vehicles</u> |
|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>Acura 2.2CL</b> | <b>1997</b>       | <b>N/A</b>                      | <b>0</b>                  |
| <b>Acura 3.0CL</b> | <b>1997</b>       | <b>N/A</b>                      | <b>0</b>                  |
| Acura 3.2TL        | 1999              | 01/07/1998 to 08/27/1999        | <b>55,770</b>             |
| Honda Civic Sedan  | 1998              | <b>04/15/1998</b> to 07/01/1998 | <b>4,349</b>              |
| Honda CR-V         | 1997              | 09/11/1996 to 12/01/1997        | <b>72,731</b>             |
| Honda CR-V         | 1998              | 04/22/1997 to 11/02/1998        | <b>96,699</b>             |
| Honda CR-V         | 1999              | 09/01/1998 to 09/30/1999        | <b>110,827</b>            |
| Honda CR-V         | 2000              | 08/07/1999 to 12/28/1999        | <b>29,474</b>             |
| Honda EV Plus      | 1998              | 03/26/1997 to <b>09/29/1997</b> | <b>102</b>                |
| Honda Odyssey      | 1998              | 05/19/1997 to 06/01/1998        | <b>14,603</b>             |

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

The recall population was determined based on manufacturing records. The production range reflects all possible vehicles that could potentially experience the problem.

**Description of how the vehicles being recalled differ from similar vehicles not included in the recall:**

According to the equipment defect notification 19E-080 filed by Takata, the suspect range of Non-Azide Driver Frontal Airbag Inflators (NADI) were produced up to August 31, 1999. Out of an abundance of caution, Honda is recalling all vehicles built from production start-up through December 31, 1999 that either received a potentially suspect NADI inflator from the factory (OEM) or dealer (replacement service part). A design change and process improvement was fully implemented by Takata to the aluminum tape seal which more effectively prevented moisture ingress on the NADI inflator. The redesigned NADI inflators were used in mass production vehicles built starting on January 1, 2000.

9/10/2020 Amendment

MY1997 Acura 2.2CL and 3.0CL vehicles are being completely removed from the recall as the recalled component was not original equipment nor available as a replacement service part.

Certain early production MY1998 Honda Civic Sedan vehicles are being removed from the recall as the recalled part only was used in MY1998 Honda Civic Sedan vehicles after there was a change in the airbag inflator supplier during mid-production. The recalled component was not original equipment on the early production MY1998 Honda Civic Sedan vehicles now being excluded. The break between early production vehicles and late production vehicles can be identified by the last six characters of the VIN, and a controlled process was implemented to ensure that driver frontal airbag module replacement would parallel what was originally equipped on the vehicle.

Certain late production MY1998 Honda EV Plus vehicles are being removed from the recall as the recalled part only was used in MY1998 Honda EV Plus vehicles before there was a change in the airbag inflator supplier during mid-production. The recalled component was not original equipment on the late production MY1998 Honda EV Plus vehicles now being excluded. The break between early production vehicles and late production vehicles can be identified by the last six characters of the VIN, and a controlled process was implemented to ensure that driver frontal airbag module replacement would parallel what was originally equipped on the vehicle.

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| <b>Total number of potentially affected vehicles:</b> | 1,500,705 (original population)            |
|   | <u>- 60,864</u> (net population reduction) |
|   | 1,439,841 (amended population)             |

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| <b>Manufacturer's campaign number:</b> | <u>Initial Report</u> | <u>Amended Report</u> |
| Acura                                  | S6Q                   | Z8G                   |
| Honda                                  | K6P                   | D8J                   |