

August 4, 2022

Mr. Michael Nixdorf Director, Product Integrity Harley-Davidson Motor Company 11800 W. Capitol Drive Wauwatosa, WI 53222

Subject: Turn Signal Indicator Light Malfunction/FMVSS 108

Dear Mr. Nixdorf:

This letter serves to acknowledge Harley-Davidson Motor Company'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.

Makes/Models/Model Years: HARLEY-DAVIDSON/LUGGAGE CONVERSION KIT/9999

Mfr's Report Date: July 29, 2022

NHTSA Campaign Number: 22E-064

**Components:** EXTERIOR LIGHTING:TURN SIGNAL

Potential Number of Units Affected: 2,055

#### **Problem Description:**

Harley-Davidson Motor Company (Harley-Davidson) is recalling certain Detachable Tour-Pak Luggage Carrier Conversion Kits with part numbers 53000916 & 53000917, when installed on 2014-2022 Touring and CVO Touring motorcycles. When the Tour-Pak Luggage Carrier is removed from the motorcycle while the conversion kit remains installed, the turn signal indicator lights may flash fast continuously and not adjust the frequency to alert the operator of a turn signal light failure. As such, these Luggage Carrier Conversion Kits fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard number 108, "Lamps, Reflective Devices, and Associated Equipment."

#### **Consequence:**

Turn signal indicator lights that fail to alert the operator of a turn signal light failure can increase the risk of a crash.

## **Remedy:**

Dealers will replace the kits, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed August 15, 2022. Owners may contact Harley-Davidson customer service at 1-800-258-2464. Harley-Davidson's number for this recall is 0633.

#### 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.nhtsa.gov.

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# Please ensure the following requirements are met:

A description of the manufacturer's program for remedying the defect or noncompliance (49 CFR 573.6 (c)(8)(i)). Please indicate how the luggage carrier kits will be repaired.

### AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.

The Harley-Davidson reimbursement plan referenced in the remedy section is dated December 2018. Please update this plan in accordance with 573.6(c)(8)(i) which requires that general reimbursement plans be updated every two years.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, 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).

Under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a), it is illegal for anyone, including a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or retailer to sell an item of equipment or vehicle that fails to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of eight 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.

Harley-Davidson Motor Company's contact for this recall will be Emily C. Smith who may be reached by email at emily.c.smith@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

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Alex Ansley Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigation Enforcement

