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CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. William R. Willen Managing Counsel, Product Legal Group American Honda Motor Company, Inc. 1919 Torrance Boulevard Torrance, CA 90501-2746 NEF-111bdh 94V-063

Dear Mr. Willen;

This acknowledges receipt of your Defect Information Report involving transmission shift cable connectors on certain American Ilonda Motor Company, Inc. (Hoada) vehicles submitted in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573, "Defect and Noncompliance Reports."

RECALL CAMPAIGN INFORMATION

NHTSA Recall Campaign ID Number: 94V-063

(Please refer to this number in all future correspondence.)

NHTSA Contact:	Jonathan D. White, Chief	Telephone:	(202) 366-5227
	Technical Analysis Branch	Fax:	(202) 366-7882

Date of Letter: April 6, 1994

Number of Vehicles Recalled: 191,289 Honda 1992 through 1994 Civic and 1994 Acura Integra model vehicles equipped with automatic transmissions and manufactured from March 1992 through September 1993.

Defect: A retaining clip that connects the transmission shift cable to the shift lever actuating rod has insufficient retention pressure and will eventually come off. The position of the shift lever may not match the actual transmission gear position resulting in unanticipated movement or the car might not move at all.

Honda is responsible for the remedy of these vehicles from this date forward, regardless of vehicle age, mileage, or ownership. You should know that the agency provides a listing of safety recalls to the media at the end of each month. This recall will be a part of that listing.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED

In order for us to complete our file on this matter, please provide the following additional information.

Under Part 573.5(c)(8), we request that Honda identify and describe how the remedial program will be conducted. We request that Honda provide a proposed schedule for the implementation of this recall. The schedule should include, but not be limited to, the date the manufacturer's news release to the media will be published, the date(s) of notification to distributors and dealers/retailers, and the date(s) of notification to purchasers. Identify the date on which parts necessary for remedy of this recall will be available. The schedule must also include an explanation for any delay in the implementation of this recall. Provide a copy/transcript of any news release issued on this recall and the date the news release was provided to the media.

Please provide this information, referencing the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's identification codes on page 1 of this letter, to this office by July 5, 1994.

NOTIFICATION TO PURCHASERS

Notification to purchasers should begin as soon as possible. A draft copy of the notification documents should be submitted to this office by facsimile (fax: 202-366-7882) for review prior to mailing. A final copy of all the notification documents must be submitted to this office within 5 working days after the documents are first sent to purchasers and dealers as required in Part 573.5(c)(9).

OUARTERLY STATUS REPORTS

Quarterly reports are due for the first 6 consecutive quarters once owner notification has begun. In the case where the recall appears to be completed, quarterly reporting is required until your company is notified otherwise by this office. The first quarterly status report for this campaign, as required in Part 573.6, is required to be submitted within 25 working days after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers begins. For instance, the current calendar quarter ends on June 30, 1994, and the first quarterly report for recalls where owner notification begins in this quarter is due by August 5, 1994.

Also, in the first quarterly report, we request that Honda identify, separately, the number of vehicles which were returned or otherwise remedied prior to sale to owners.

Sincerely,

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James P. Talentino, Chief Recall Analysis and Information Division Office of Defects Investigation Enforcement



April 6, 1994

Mr. William A. Boehly Associate Administrator Office of Enforcement NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION 400 Seventh St., S.W. Washington, OC 20590

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Dear Mr. Boehly:

The following information is submitted pursuant to the requirements of 49 CFR 573.5 as it applies to a determination by Honda Motor Co., Ltd., of a defect related to motor vehicle safety involving certain 1992-1994 Honda Civics and 1994 Acura Integras.

Name of manufacturer:	Honda Motor Co., Ltd. (HMC) Honda of America Manufacturing, Inc. (HAM) Honda of Canada Manufacturing, Inc. (HCM)
Manufacturer's Agent:	William R. Willen American Honda Motor Co., Inc. 1919 Torrance Blvd. Torrance, CA 90501-2746

Identification of potentially affected vehicles:

Make/Model	Description and date of manufacture (manufacturing location)	
1992 Civic 3-Door	2HGEH2452NH534900 - 2HGEH2450NH562761 April 10, 1992 to August 24, 1992 (by HCM)	
1992 Civic 4-Door	1HGEG865XNL044775 - 1HGEG8657NL079046 April 10, 1992 to August 12, 1992 (by HAM)	
	JHMEG8653NS032812 - JHMEG8655NS044993 March 2, 1992 to June 30, 1992 (by HMC)	
	JHMEH9696NS007926 - JHMEH969XNS014183 ************************************	

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Make/Model	Description and date of manufacture (manufacturing location)
1993 Civic 2-Door	1HGEJ2240PL000007 - 1HGEJ1256PL058710 June 18, 1992 to August 23, 1993 (by HAM)
	2HGEJ224XPH500009 - 2HGEJ2248PH526673 October 1, 1992 to August 25, 1993 (by HCM)
1993 Civic 3-Door	2HGEH2466PH500194 - 2HGEH2469PH543654 August 25, 1992 to July 30, 1993 (by HCM)
1993 Civic 4-Door	1HGEG8654PL000001 - 1HGEG8654PL045410 August 6, 1992 to August 2, 1993 (by HAM)
	JHMEG8643PS000002 - JHMEG8654PS058354 June 30, 1992 to April 28, 1993 (by HMC)
	JHMEH9693PS000001 - JHMEH969XPS014042 July 7, 1992 to July 14, 1993 (by HMC)
1993 Civic Del Sol	JHMEG1245PS000015 - JHMEG1242PS014020 May 26, 1992 to July 21, 1993 (by HMC)
	JHMEH6262PS000016 - JHMEH6266PS021113 May 25, 1992 to July 21, 1993 (by HMC)
1994 Civic 2-Door	1HGEJ1236RL000002 - 1HGEJ1235RL005532 May 4, 1993 to September 16, 1993 (by HAM)
	2HGEJ123XRH500001 - 2HGEJ1223RH502941 August 30, 1993 to September 24, 199# ₃ (by HCM)
1994 Civic 3-Door	2HGEH2462RH500003 - 2HGEH2461RH505242 August 6, 1993 to September 24, 1993 (by HCM)
1994 Civic 4-Door	1HGEG8641RL000001 - 1HGEG8657RL004885 April 20, 1993 to September 16, 1993 (by HAM)
1994 Integra	JH4DC4448RS000020 - JH4DC4441RS012235 April 21, 1993 to July 27, 1993 (by HMC)
	JH4DB7652RS000010 - JH4DB7651RS000127 June 10, 1993 to July 27, 1993 (by HMC)

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Total number of vehicles potentially affected: 191,289 (see table)

MODEL	1992 MY	1993 MY	1994 MY	TOTAL
Civic Del Sol		12,479		12,479
Civic 2-Door		47,503	4,490	51,993
Civic 3-Door	4,570	11,880	846	17,296
Civic 4-Door	31,804	69,234	3,075	104,113
Civic Total	36,374	141,096	8,411	185,881
Integra 3-Door			5,317	5,317
Integra 4-Door			91	91
Integra Total			5,408	5,408
GRAND TOTAL	36,374	141,096	13,819	191,289

Percentage of affected vehicles that contain the noncompliance: Unknown

Defect description:

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Chronology:

- January 7, 1994 Honda Motor Co., Ltd., was first made aware of a customer complaint in the Japan market which alleged the car would not move after shifting the gear selector while the engine was running.
- April 1, 1994 After analysis and investigation of this issue, Honda Motor Co., Ltd., determined that a safety-related defect also exists in vehicles in the U.S.

Corrective measures taken:

Free-of-charge installation of an improved retaining clip on affected vehicles.

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Dealer and customer notification:

The owner notification letter and dealer bulletin will be forwarded as soon as they are available.

Sincerely,

AMERICAN HONDA MOTOR CO., INC.

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William R. Willen Managing Counsel Product Legal Group

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AHM - MESSAGES

MESSAGE ID....: B90

MESSAGE DESCRIPTION..: A/T SHIFT CABLE RETAINING CLIP TRANSMISSION STATUS..: R - READY TO SEND ROUTING METHOD.....: MANUAL

> DATE LAST UPDATED.....: 04/12/94 START DATE.....: 04/12/94 EXPIRATION DATE.....: 04/16/94 DATE TRANSMITTED TO AHM: RECEIVING DEPARTMENT...: SERVICE

ALL ACURA DEALERS ALL ACURA SERVICE ZONES ALL ACURA SERVICE DISTRICTS

> TO : All Acura Dealer Principals, Service/Parts Managers FROM: National Service Engineering RE : A/I Shift Cable Retaining Clip Campaign

We realize that the initial few parts that we sent you on April 8th is not sufficient. AHM will allocate 100% of the parts needed to complete this campaign on April 15; therefore, open ordering of Shift Cable Retaining Clips (P/N 54363-689-981) will NOT be authorized. Please keep in mind that there are 5400 Integras with automatic transmissions involved in this Recall even though the ending frame number is 12,235.

Although you have received a draft copy of the Service Bulletin and a customer letter, we will mail you the published Service Bulletin on April 19, 1994. The Recall notification letter will be mailed to all known retail customers on April 25.

We anticipate mailing you a Campaign Responsibility Report on approximately April 20, 1994.

Thank you.

AHM - MESSAGES

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RECALL: Automatic Transmission Shift Linkage

BACKGROUND

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CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION

All owners of affected vehicles will be notified of this recall by mail. Owners will be asked to contact an authorized Acura dealer for repairs. A copy of the customer letter is at the end of this service bulletin.

VEHICLES AFFECTED

3-door:	from VIN JI I4DC44 RS000020
	thru RS012235
4-door:	from VIN JH4DB75 RS000010
	thru AS000127

CORRECTIVE ACTION

Replace the transmission shift linkage adjuster pin with the new part listed under PARTS INFORMATION.

- Remove the center console. Refer to section 20 of the appropriate service manual for the proper procedure.
- 2. Move the transmission selector fever to Neutral.

 Remove the adjuster pin from the shift linkage and discard it.



- 4. Install the new adjuster pin.
 - If the pin feels like it is binding, continue to step 5 to check the shift linkage adjustment.
 - If the pln fits without binding, go to step 6.

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- Start the engine. Move the selector lever through all the shift positions and verify that it selects the proper gears.
- 7. Reinstall the console.
- 8. Center-punch a completion mark above the eleventh character (S) of the engine compartment VIN.



PARTS INFORMATION

Adjuster pin: P/N 54363-689-981

WARRANTY CLAIM INFORMATION

Operation number:	214120
Flat rate time:	0.4 hour
Failed P/N:	54363-SP0-A81
Defect code:	272
Contention code:	J81

Example of Customer Letter:

April 1994

Recall: Integra Automatic Transmission Shift Linkage

Dear Integra Owner:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. Honda Motor Co., Ltd. has determined that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in the shift linkage of certain 1994 Acura Integras equipped with an automatic transmission. *Our records* indicate that you may own one of the affected vehicles.

What is the defect?

In models equipped with automatic transmissions, a retaining clip connects the transmission shift cable to the shift lever actuating rod. Some retaining clips have insufficient retention pressure and may eventually come off alter repeated shift lever operation. If this happens, the position of the shift lever may not match the actual transmission gear position. This could result in the vehicle moving unexpectedly, which could lead to an accident, or the car might not move at all.

What should you do?

Call any authorized Acura automobile dealer and make an appointment to have your car repaired. They will replace the clip with an improved part to prevent this problem from happening. *This repair will be done free of charge*. The parts are now available.

Until you can get the car repaired, place your loot *firmly* on the brake pedal whenever you are starting the engine, and whenever you are shifting the car cut of Park. If you experience any problem with the operation of the shift fever, contact an Acura dealer immediately.

Who to contact if you experience problems.

If you are not satisfied with the service you receive from your Acura dealer, you may write to:

American Honda Motor Co., Inc. Attention: Acura Customer Relations 1 1919 Terrance Blvd. Torrance, CA, 90501-2746

If you believe that American Honda or the dealer has failed or is unable to remedy the defect in your car, without charge, within a reasonable period of time (60 days from the date you first contact the dealer for a repair appointment), you may submit a complaint to:

Administrator National Highway Traffic Safety Administration 400 Seventh St., S.W. Washington, D.C. 20590

Or call the toll-free Auto Safety Holline at (800) 424-9393 (residents of Washington D.C. should call 366-0123).

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

This notice was mailed to you according to the most current information we have available. If you no longer own an Integra, or the name and address information in this notice is incorrect, please fill out and return the included *Information Change Card*. This will help us to update our records.

If you have questions.

If you are not sure how to contact an Acura dealer, or have questions about this notice, please call Acura Customer Relations at (800) 382 2238.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause you.

Sincerely,

AMERICAN HONDA MOTOR CO., INC. Acura Automobile Division



This bulletin supports Acura Service Bulletin 94-003 dated April 19, 1994. Please refer to that bulletin for technical details.

The part listed below is available to replace the Shift Linkage Retaining Clip in affected 1992-94 Integras. The original pin has insufficient retention pressure and may come off after repeated shift lever operation.

These Retaining Clips will be available only through automatic allocation until further notice. Information regarding allocation dates and quantities will be sent via the AcuraLink System.



ORDERING INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION	<u>P/N</u>	<u>D/N</u>	<u>S/R</u>
Shift Linkage Retaining Clip	54363-689-981	\$1.52	\$3.04

Prices, specifications, and availability are subject to change without notice.

AMERICAN HONDA MOTOR CO., INC. Parts Division

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Routing	⊡ General Manager D Service Manager	D Paris Manager D Sales Manager	C Technician	

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April 1994

Dear Service Manager:

American Honda is announcing a Recall to replace the adjuster pin in the shift linkage of selected 1994 Integras equipped with an automatic transmission. Refer to the enclosed service bulletin, #94-003, *Recall: Automatic Transmission Shift Linkage* for repair information and applicable VINs.

Customer Notification

Approximately 5,400 1994 Integras are affected by this Recall. Notifications will be mailed to owners on April 25. A Campaign Responsibility Report, showing the affected vehicles and their owners, will be sent on April 20.

Parts Allocation

Adjuster pins were allocated to all dealers on April 15. This allocation should equal 100 percent of each dealership's affected vehicles. No open ordering will be allowed.

Additional Repair Information

Replacement of the adjuster clip is a very simple procedure that can be completed with common hand tools. For minimal customer inconvenience, we recommend a drive-through "Recall Express Lane" where customers can have their cars repaired while they wait.

Make sure that any affected vehicles still in dealership stock are updated prior to retail sale.

Sincerely,

AMERICAN HONDA MOTOR CO., INC. Acura Automobile Division

Paul E. Pugh Jr. Senior Manager National Field Service

Enclosure:

Service Bulletin 94-003, *Recall: Automatic Transmission Shift Linkage*. This service bulletin includes a copy of the customer letter.



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BACKGROUND

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CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION

All owners of affected vehicles will be notified of this recall by mail. Owners will be asked to contact an authorized Honda automobile dealer for repairs. A copy of the customer letter is at the end of this service bulletin.

VEHICLES AFFECTED

1992 Civic	Ohlo production	Japan production	Canada production
3 door			from VIN 2-1GEH24 NH534900 thru NH562761
4-door DX & LX	from VIN 1HGEG86 NL044775 Ihru NL079046	from VIN JHMEG86 . NS032812 thru NS044993	
4-door EX	-	from VIN JHMEH96 . , NS007926 Thru NS014183	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
1993 Civic	Ohio production	Japan production	Canada production
2-doo-	from ViN 1HGEJ . 2 PL000007 thru PL058710	······································	from VIN 2HGEJ . 2 PH500009 thru PH526673
3-doo:			from VIN 2HGEH24 PH500194 thru PH543654
4-door DX & LX	from VIN 1HGEG86 PL000001 thru PL045410	from VIN JHMEG86 PS000002 thru PS058354	
4-door EX		from VIN JHMEH96 PS000001 thru PS014042	
1994 Civic	Ohlo production	Japan production	Canada production
2-door	from VIN 1HGE, . 2 RL000002 thru RL005532		from VIN 2HGEJ . 2 RH500001 thru RH502941
3-door		· • ••••	from VIN 2HGEH24 RH500003 thru RH505242
4-door	from VIN 1HGEG86 RL000001 thro RL004885		
1993 del Sol	Ohio production	Japan production	Canada production
Ŝi		from VIN JHMEH62 PS000016 thru PS021113	
8		from VIN JHMEG12 PS000015 thru PS014020	

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Example of customer letter

April 1994

Recall: Civic/del Sol Automatic Transmission Shift Linkage

Dear Civic/del Sol Owner:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. Honda Motor Co., Ltd. has determined that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in the shift linkage of cortain 1992 – 94 Civics and 1993 Civic del Sols equipped with an automatic transmission. Our records indicate that you may own one of the affected vehicles.

What is the defect?

In models equipped with automatic transmissions, a retaining clip connects the transmission shift cable to the shift lever actualing rod. Some retaining clips have insufficient retention pressure and may eventually come off after repeated shift lever operation. If this happens, the position of the shift lever may not match the actual transmission gear position. This could result in the vehicle moving unexpectedly, which could lead to an accident, or the car might not move at all.

What should you do?

Call any authorized Honda automobile dealer and make an appointment to have your car repaired. They will replace the clip with an improved part to prevent this problem from happening. *This repair will be done free of charge*. The parts are now available.

Until you can get the car repaired, place your foot firmly on the brake pedal whenever you are starting the engine, and whenever you are shifting the car out of Park. If you experience any problem with the operation of the shift lever, contact a Honda dealor immediately.

Who to contact if you experience problems.

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

This notice was mailed to you according to the most current information we have available. If you no longer own a Civic/del Sol, or the name and address information in this notice is incorrect, please fill out and return the included *information Change Card.* This will help us to update our records.

If you have questions.

If you are not sure how to contact a Honda dealer, or have questions about this notice, please call Honda Consumer. Affairs at (600) 999-1009.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause you.

Sincerely,

AMERICAN HONDA MOTOR CO., INC. Honda Automobile Division





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May 11, 1994

Mr. James P. Talentino, Chief Defect Identification Division Office of Defects Investigation, Enforcement U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION 400 Seventh St., S.W. Washington, DC 20590

RE: 94V-063

Dear Mr. Talentino:

In accordance with our campaign to correct a safety defect in the transmission shift linkage of certain 1992-1994 Honda Civics and 1994 Acura Integras, of which you were informed in our April 6, 1994 letter, we are submitting copies of the dealer bulletin and the text of the customer letter (see Attachment #1). Also enclosed is the recall implementation schedule (see Attachment #2).

Sincerely,

AMERICAN HONDA MOTOR CO., INC.

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William R. Willen Managing Counsel Product Legal Group

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Enclosures

ATTACHMENT #1

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	CIVIC 1993 DEL SOL	AFFECTED	TRANSMISSION	APRIL 15, 1994

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CORRECTIVE ACTION

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- Remove the center console. Refer to section 20 of the appropriate service manual for the proper procedure.
- 2. Move the transmission selector lever to Neutral.
- 3. Remove the adjuster pin from the shift linkage and discard it.



- Install the new adjuster pin.
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- Remove the adjuster pin. If the holes in the shift cable and adjuster are not perfectly aligned, loosen the locknut and turn the adjuster to align the holes. Tighten the locknut and reinstall the adjuster pin.



- 6. Start the engine. Move the selector lever through all the shift positions and verify that it selects the proper gears.
- 7. Reinstall the console.
- 8. Center-punch a completion mark above the eleventh character (H, L, or S) of the engine compartment VIN.



PARTS INFORMATION

Adjuster pin: P/N 54363-689-981, H/C 0933697

WARRANTY CLAIM INFORMATION

OPERATION NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	FLAT RATE TIME
214120	Replace adjuster pin on Civic 2-, 3-, 4-door	0.3 hour
A	For optional front con- sole with CD player or equalizer, add	0.3 hour
214130	Replace adjuster pin on del Sol	0.4 hour

Failed part:	P/N 54363-SP0-A81
	H/C 3861812
Defect code:	272
Contention code:	J80

Example of customer letter:

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What should you do?

Call any authorized Honda automobile dealer and make an appointment to have your car repaired. They will replace the clip with an improved part to prevent this problem from happening. *This repair will be done free of charge.* The parts are now available.

Until you can get the car repaired, place your foot firmly on the brake pedal whenever you are starting the engine, and whenever you are shifting the car out of Park. If you experience any problem with the operation of the shift lever, contact a Honda dealer immediately.

Who to contact if you experience problems.

If you are not satisfied with the service you receive from your Honda dealer, you may write to:

American Honda Motor Co., Inc. Consumer Affairs 1919 Torrance Blvd. Torrance, CA, 90501-2746

It you believe that American Honda or the dealer has tailed or is unable to remedy the defect in your car, without charge, within a reasonable period of time (60 days from the date you first contact the dealer for a repair appointment) you may submit a complaint to:

Administrator National Highway Traffic Safety Administration 400 Seventh St., S.W Washington, D.C. 20590

Or call the toll-free Auto Safety Hotline at (800) 424-9393 (residents of Washington D.C. should call 366-0123).

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

This notice was mailed to you according to the most current information we have available. If you no longer own a Civic/de Sof or the name and address information in this notice is incorrect, please fill out and return the included *Information Change Card*. This will help us to update our records.

If you have questions.

if you are not sure how to contact a Honda dealer, or have questions about this notice, please call Honda Consumer Aflairs at (800) 999-1009.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause you.

Sincerely,

AMERICAN HONDA MOTOR CO., INC. Honda Automobile Division

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May 11, 1994

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IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE

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1992-1994 Honda Civic 1994 Acura Integra Automatic Transmission Shift Linkage

Recall No. 94V-063

Press release to media	April 6, 1994
Electronic notification to dealers	April 6, 1994
Notification mailed to dealers (service bulletin)	April 15, 1994
Notification to owners (owner letter)	April 25, 1994
Parts availability date	April 15, 1994

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Ford may face recall for tie rod

Federal safety officials are investigating reports that tie rods can break and lead to steering loss in three of Ford Motor's most popular cars --the Ford Taurus, Mercury Sable and Lincoln Continental.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has started an engineering analysis of the potential defect after receiving 134 complaints on some 1987-93 models. The comptaints include 12 accidents and three Injuries. NHTSA says a broken de rod caused a fuel line to break in one incident.

If NHTSA finds the part de-fective, it could ask Ford to recall the cars to fix the problem. Ford says it's working with NHTSA on the investigation. About 3.37 million of the cars are on the road. The Taurus has been the best-selling car in the USA the last two years.

Tie rods connect a car's steering mechanism to the wheels. Depending on where the fracture occurs, a broken tie rod could make it difficult or impossible to steer a vehicle, according to Bill Kersten, senior vice president for technical programs at the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence.

An engineering analysis is

the second stage of a p NHTSA investigation, following a preliminary evaluation. In the engineering study. technical experts examine the parts to determine if a defect exists.

NHTSA also announced last week that it has started engineering studies on several other complaints:

▶ 91-94 Ford Crown Victoria, Lincoln Town Car and Mercury Grand Marquis: 28 complaints, hood popping open and shattering wind-shield; and 25 complaints, diffoulty with the latch. About 778,200 are on the road.

'90-93 Oldsmobile Toronado, Buick Riviera and Cadillac Eldorado: 5,431 warranty replacements; and 83 addtional complaints, manual seat belt retractor failing. About 137,309 vehicles.

> '88-91 Chevrolet Cavalier and Pontiac Symbird: 171 complaints, engine compartment fires, linked to an electrical : short in the main wiring harness About 1.54 million cars.

▶ 1990 Saab 900: three complaints, leakage at the fue) pump. About 14,577 cars.

▶1993 Evenão Ultara I. Ultara I Premier and Champion child safety seats 185 complaints.

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Honda is recalling 191,000 Civics, del Sols and Acura Integras to fix their automatic transmissions.

A clip that connects the shift cable to the shift lever can come off in some-'92-'94 models.

As a result, the transmission might not go into the gear indicated by the shift lever, causing the car to unexpectedly lurch forward or backward, or not move at all.