

Statement from American Honda Motor Co., Inc.
*Re: Confirmed Fatality Related to the Rupture of a Takata Airbag Inflator
in Lafayette, Louisiana*

June 12, 2015

American Honda has confirmed that the Takata driver's airbag inflator ruptured in the crash of a 2005 Honda Civic on April 5, 2015 in Lafayette, Louisiana. The airbag inflator rupture that occurred during this crash resulted in the death of the driver, Kylan Langlinais. Our thoughts and deepest sympathies are with the Langlinais family during this difficult time.

Honda is currently in communication with representatives of the family in an effort to address their concerns.

Honda has communicated information collected to date about this crash to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), and a NHTSA representative was present when Honda inspected the airbag inflator to confirm rupture.

The vehicle involved in this crash was included in a June 2014 Safety Improvement Campaign for the driver's front airbag inflator. Registration records indicate that this vehicle was sold to the current owner in October 2014, after the initiation of the Safety Improvement Campaign. Mailed notification of this action was sent to the current owner on April 2, 2015.

[Note to the Media: Please include the following as you report this story – Thank You!]

American Honda continues to urge owners of Honda and Acura vehicles affected by the Takata airbag inflator recalls to get their vehicles repaired at authorized dealers as soon as possible. Vehicle owners can check their vehicles' recall status at www.recalls.honda.com for Honda owners or www.recalls.acura.com for Acura owners or by calling their authorized dealer.