



POSITION STATEMENT

**SUBJECT: USE OF AFTERMARKET / ALTERNATIVE PARTS ON HONDA VEHICLES**

TORRANCE, Calif., March 18, 2008 – The original body parts used on a Honda automobile are designed and built to provide optimum fit, function, safety, and structural integrity.

When collision repairs are necessary, American Honda recommends that any repairs be performed by an experienced professional using a Honda body repair manual and Honda Genuine original equipment replacement parts designated for use in the specific Honda vehicle being repaired, including all mechanical and electrical parts, body panels, and structural components. This will ensure that the parts and components were designed and built to provide the same fit, function, safety, and structural integrity as when the vehicle was initially made.

Following this recommendation, especially with regard to structural components, will help avoid compromises to the structural integrity and safety of the vehicle that might occur when parts other than Honda Genuine original equipment replacement parts are used.

**Parts Warranty**

American Honda's factory warranty, replacement parts warranty or extended warranties do not apply to any part other than a Honda Genuine original equipment replacement part.

American Honda will not be responsible for any subsequent repair costs associated with vehicle or part failures caused by the use of parts other than Honda Genuine original equipment replacement parts.

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