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AUTOMOBILE DIVISION  
American Honda Motor Co., Inc.  
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NHTSA Recall 12V-222

**IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL NOTICE**

Dear TL Owner:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

**What is the reason for this notice?**

Acura has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain 2007-2008 model year TL vehicles. Prolonged high under-hood temperatures and high power steering fluid temperatures may cause the power steering hose to deteriorate prematurely and may cause the hose to crack and leak power steering fluid. Fluid leaking onto a hot catalytic converter will generate smoke and possibly lead to an under-hood fire.

**What should you do?**

Call any authorized Acura dealer and make an appointment to have your vehicle repaired **at no cost to you**. The dealer will inspect your vehicle and replace the power steering hose. The complete repair process may take approximately one hour and 42 minutes; however, your vehicle will need to be at the dealer for a longer period of time. We recommend that you plan to leave your vehicle for half a day to allow the dealer flexibility in scheduling.

**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.  
Acura Client Relations  
Mail Stop 500-2N-7E  
1919 Torrance 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 vehicle, 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  
1200 New Jersey Ave., SE  
Washington, DC 20590

You can also call the toll free Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

**What if you already had your vehicle repaired for this issue.**

If you previously paid to have the power steering hose replaced, you may be eligible for reimbursement. Refer to the attached Instructions for Reimbursement for the eligibility requirements and the reimbursement procedure.

**Lessor Information.**

Federal law requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within 10 days.

**If you have questions.**

If you have any questions about this notice, or need assistance with locating an Acura dealer, please call Acura Client Relations at 1-800-382-2238, and select option 4. You can also locate a dealer online at *Acura.com*.

We apologize for any inconvenience this campaign may cause you.

Sincerely,  
**AMERICAN HONDA MOTOR CO., INC.**  
Acura Automobile Division

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