HONDA **Service Bulletin** **11-050**

Applies To: **2005–10 Accord L4** – Check the iN VIN status for eligibility
2007–10 CR-V – Check the iN VIN status for eligibility
2005–08 Element – Check the iN VIN status for eligibility

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Safety Recall: A/T Software Update to Prevent Transmission Damage

BACKGROUND

If the transmission is repeatedly shifted between reverse (R), neutral (N), and drive (D) at high engine RPM, such as when rocking the vehicle to get it unstuck from snow, the transmission may become damaged. This damage may cause an engine stall and/or cause the vehicle to move when the gear selector is in park (P).

CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION

All owners of affected vehicles will be sent a notification of this safety recall.

Do an **iN VIN status inquiry** to make sure the vehicle is shown as eligible.

In addition, check for a punch mark above the ninth character of the engine compartment VIN. A punch mark in that location means this safety recall has already been completed.

Some vehicles affected by this recall may be in your new or used vehicle inventory. As a matter of federal law, these vehicles **must** be repaired before they are sold.

Should a dealership sell an unrepaired vehicle that subsequently causes injury or damage because of the recalled item, the dealership will be solely responsible to the damaged party, and will be required to defend and indemnify American Honda for any resulting claims. To see if a vehicle in inventory is affected by this recall, do a VIN status inquiry before selling it.

CORRECTIVE ACTION

Update the PCM A/T software.

WARRANTY CLAIM INFORMATION

Operation Number:	1255A2
Flat Rate Time:	0.2 hour
Failed Part:	P/N 37820-R42-A59
Defect Code:	5TZ00
Symptom Code:	R8900
Skill Level:	Repair Technician

SOFTWARE INFORMATION

HDS Software Version:
3.001.009 **or later**

HDS Control Module (CM) Update:
Database Update 27-JUL-2011 **or later**

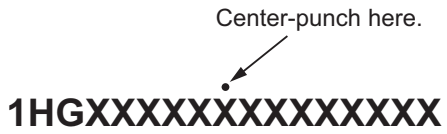
NOTE: To avoid an incorrect repair that would not be covered under warranty, use the software version listed above or a later version.

If the HDS or MVCI is loaded with the latest software, and it displays **No Update Needed** during the update, the software for this service bulletin is already installed.

The updated PCM A/T software program IDs and P/Ns will be added at a later date.

REPAIR PROCEDURE

1. Update the PCM A/T software. Refer to Service Bulletin 01-023, *Updating Control Units/Modules*.
2. Center-punch a completion mark above the ninth character of the engine compartment VIN:



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Skill Level
R
REPAIR

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