



## POSITION STATEMENT

### **SUBJECT: SEAT COVERS AND SIDE AIRBAG COMPONENTS**

TORRANCE, Calif., July 12, 2012 – The vehicle restraint system components installed by Honda have been precisely designed for use in the vehicle.

Installation of seat covers on Honda vehicles equipped with side airbags is not recommended by American Honda Motor Co., Inc. The installation of seat covers may seriously compromise the performance of a vehicle's restraint system as there is no certainty that the side airbags will deploy as intended, either in terms of timing or coverage, or at all. Furthermore, a change to a non-Honda seat material could affect the operation of the occupant position detection system.

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