

CAR WASH NEWS

March 2019

HONDA WARNS OF EXPLOSION RISK FROM TOO MUCH CAR WASHING

Honda is recalling late-model Ridgeline pickup trucks due to an explosive risk if they are washed too often. Honda's design choice on the current-model Ridgeline puts the fuel tank and pump directly beneath where fluids drain from the truck bed. Normally this isn't a problem, but the detergents used in car washes can be caustic. The sulfuric acid is a common component in car wash detergent, which over time can eventually crack the Ridgeline's fuel feed port and cause a fuel leak. An open fuel line makes the Ridgeline one ignition source away from a Hollywood-style fireball.

Honda expects 106,682 Ridgelines are affected in the US, with more in Canada and Mexico. No accidents or injuries have been reported. The recall begins March 7th. Owners will be able to make an appointment at their Honda dealership for a free inspection and possible repair of the fuel feed port and, if necessary, the entire fuel pump.

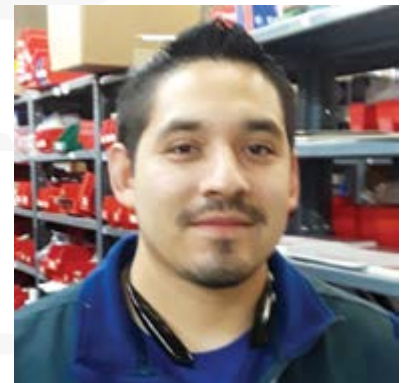


CHANGES AT ROWE



Rowe has been acquired by American Changer. They are currently moving operations, so there will be delays in receiving repair parts. Although we have not received any definitive timelines of when they will be operational, we are hoping by mid-March to begin receiving repair parts for bill changers.

NEW EMPLOYEE



Please welcome Benjamin Andrade. Ben has joined our CDL Delivery Drivers. Ben is married and stays busy with two small children. He has lived in Colorado for 27 years and loves driving. He looks forward to meeting our great customers.

CHANGES TO FLOJET WARRANTY



Xylem, the manufacturer of Flojet pumps, will no longer be offering a warranty on Viton pumps for car washes. They recommend using their Kalrez pumps for those washes that would like warranty coverage.

HPWS will no longer handle warranty issues on Flojet pumps. If you should have a warranty issue please contact Xylem directly.

New Warehouse Hours

7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Monday - Friday