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Frank Powell, Sheriff
County of Richland
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Dear Sheriff Powell:

In a letter to this Office you included a picture of a Yamaha Tri-Moto 225 Special, a three-wheel vehicle, and questioned whether it comes within the definition of a "motorcycle" as defined in Section 56-5-140 of the Code. Such section states:

(e)very motor vehicle having a saddle for the use of the rider and designed to travel on not more than three wheels in contact with the ground, but excluding a tractor, is a 'motorcycle'.

A three-wheeled vehicle, such as the Yamaha Tri-Moto 225 Special, would come within the definition of a motorcycle as provided by Section 56-5-140.

If there is anything further, please advise.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Charles H. Richardson".

Charles H. Richardson
Assistant Attorney General

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REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Robert D. Cook".
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