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July 9, 2004

Mr. Kenneth N. Weinstein
Associate Administrator, Safety Assurance
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
400 Seventh Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Mr. Weinstein:

Reference: NHTSA Identification Number 04V-337

Enclosed are representative copies of communications relating to the 2004 model year vehicles involved in the referenced recall. DaimlerChrysler expects to begin owner notification during the week of July 19, 2004. The exact number of manufactured vehicles in the recall is 1,513.

The involved Vehicle Identification Number range is:

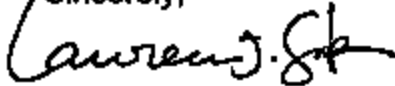
<u>Low</u>	<u>High</u>
4W290729	4W331176

(VIN last eight characters) - 4 = 2004 model year, W = Toledo North Assembly Plant, Toledo, Ohio; and the last six digits = sequential number.

We caution that the above range represents only the lowest and highest VIN sequential numbers included in the recall. This range cannot be used to determine conclusively that a vehicle is involved in the recall because most vehicles with a VIN within the range are not affected by the recall.

This completes DaimlerChrysler's package of information for this recall as required by the Defects Report Regulation.

Sincerely,



for Stephan J. Speth, Director
Vehicle Compliance and Safety Affairs

Enclosure: Recall D33

cc: K. C. DeMeter

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July 2004

Dealer Service Instructions for:

Safety Recall D33 – Valve Cover Studs

Models

2004 (KJ) Jeep® Liberty

NOTE: This recall applies only to the above vehicles equipped with a 3.7L engine ("K" in the 8th VIN Position) built from May 27, 2004 through June 25, 2004 (MDH 052709 through 062513).

IMPORTANT: Many of the vehicles within the above build period have already been inspected or repaired and, therefore, have been excluded from this recall.

IMPORTANT: Some of the involved vehicles may be in dealer new vehicle inventory. Federal law requires you to stop sale and complete this recall service on these vehicles before retail delivery. Dealers should also consider this requirement to apply to used vehicle inventory and should perform this recall on vehicles in for service. Involved vehicles can be determined by using the VIP inquiry process.

Subject

The generator and fuel injector wiring harnesses on about 1,500 of the above vehicles may short circuit due to contact with two valve cover studs. A short circuit in the generator harness can cause an underhood fire. A short circuit in the injector harness can cause the engine to stall and result in a crash without warning.

Repair

A protective cap must be installed over two valve cover studs and the affected wiring harnesses must be rerouted.

Parts Information

<u>Part Number</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Description</u>
05027925AA	2	Stud Cap
05073039AA	1	Tie Strap

Each dealer to whom vehicles in the recall were invoiced will receive enough stud caps and tie straps to service 100% of those vehicles.

Service Procedure

1. Open the hood.
2. Inspect the generator wiring harness where it passes the valve cover stud located on the front left corner of the engine (Figure 1). If the wiring insulation is damaged from contact with the stud, wrap it with high quality electrical tape.
3. Install one of the protective caps over the stud on the left front corner of the valve cover (Figure 1).

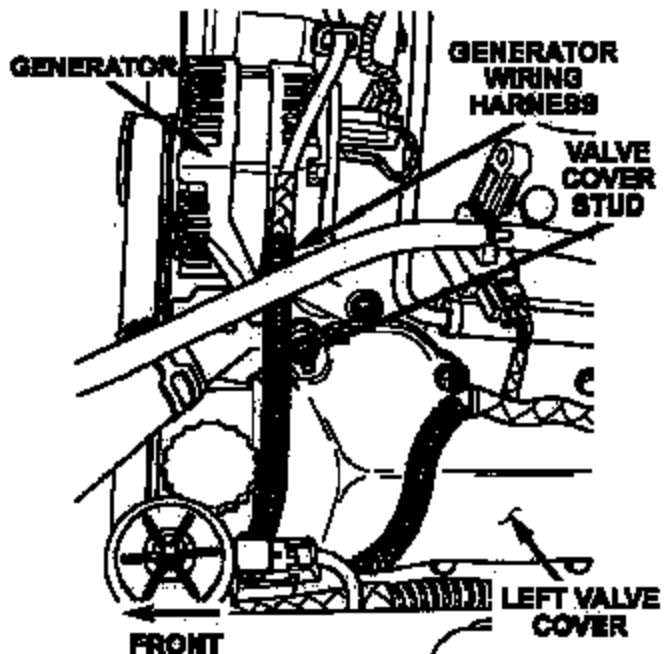


Figure 1

Service Procedure (Continued)

4. Pull the generator wiring harness up and rearward over the valve cover. Secure the generator harness to the injector harness with the provided tie strap (Figure 2).

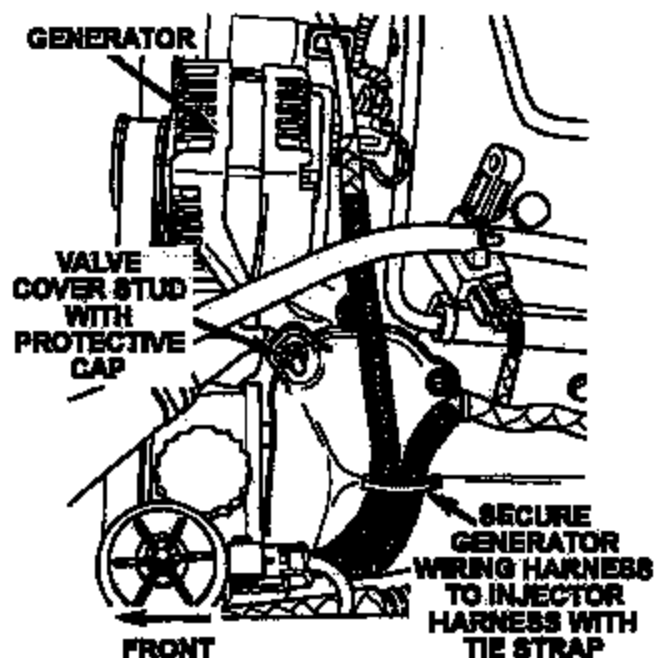


Figure 2

5. Inspect the rear engine wiring harness where it passes the valve cover stud that is located on the rear left corner of the engine (Figure 3). If the wiring insulation is damaged from contact with the stud, wrap it with high quality electrical tape.

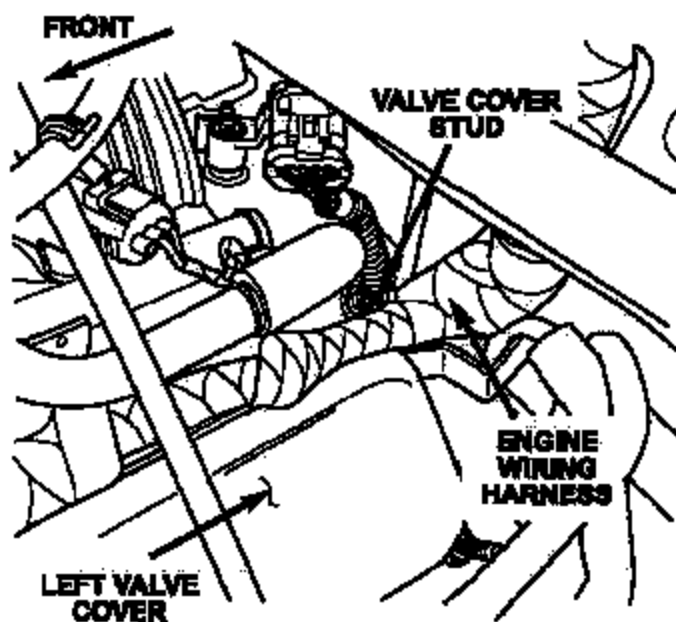


Figure 3

Service Procedure (Continued)

6. Grab the rear engine harness and gently pull it upward while applying a slight counter-clockwise twist to reposition the harness away from the stud (Figure 4). Make sure that there is at least 3/8" (10 mm) clearance between the harness and the stud.
7. Install the other protective cap over the stud on the left rear corner of the valve cover (Figure 4).

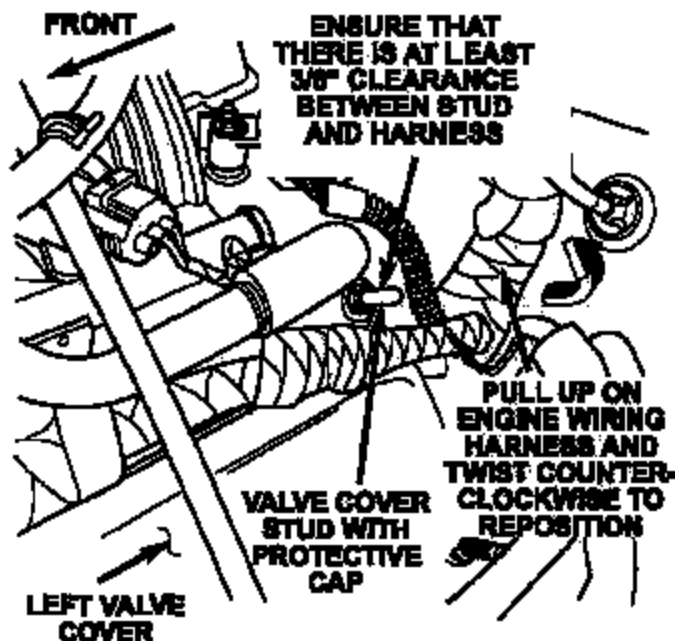


Figure 4

Completion Reporting and Reimbursement

Claims for vehicles that have been serviced must be submitted on the DealerCONNECT Claim Entry Screen located on the Service tab. Claims submitted will be used by DaimlerChrysler to record recall service completions and provide dealer payments.

Use the following labor operation number and time allowance:

	Labor Operation Number	Time Allowance
Install stud caps and reroute wiring harness	08-D3-31-82	0.2 hours

Add the cost of the parts plus applicable dealer allowance to your claim.

NOTE: See the Warranty Administration Manual, Recall Claim Processing Section, for complete recall claim processing instructions.

Parts Return

Not applicable.

Dealer Notification and Vehicle List

All dealers will receive a copy of this dealer recall notification letter by first class mail. Two additional copies will be sent through the DCMMS. DealerCONNECT will be updated to include this recall in the near future.

Vehicle Lists, Global Recall System, VIP and Dealer Follow up

All involved vehicles have been entered into the DealerCONNECT Global Recall System (GRS) and Vehicle Information Plus (VIP) for dealer inquiry as needed. Involved dealers were also mailed a copy of their vehicle (VIN) list with the dealer recall notification letter.

GRS provides involved dealers with an updated VIN list of their incomplete vehicles. The owner's name, address and phone number are listed if known. Completed vehicles are removed from GRS within several days of repair claim submission.

To use this system, click on the "Service" tab and then click on "Global Recall System." Your dealer's VIN list for each recall displayed can be sorted by: those vehicles that were unsold at recall launch, those with a phone number, city, zip code, or VIN sequence.

Dealers must perform this repair on all unsold vehicles *before* retail delivery. Dealers should also use the VIN list to follow up with all owners to schedule appointments for this repair.

Recall VIN lists may contain confidential, restricted owner name and address information that was obtained from the Department of Motor Vehicles of various states. Use of this information is permitted for this recall only and is strictly prohibited from all other use.

Owner Notification and Service Scheduling

All involved vehicle owners known to DaimlerChrysler are being notified of the service requirement by first class mail. They are requested to schedule appointments for this service with their dealers. A generic copy of the owner letter is attached.

Enclosed with each owner letter is an Owner Notification postcard to allow owners to update our records if applicable.

Dealers are encouraged to consider alternative scheduling and servicing approaches for this recall. This repair does not require hoists or other full service facility special equipment and is a DaimlerChrysler Mobile Service approved repair.

Additional Information

If you have any questions or need assistance in completing this action, please contact your Service and Parts District Manager.

Customer Services Field Operations
DaimlerChrysler Corporation

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for Safety!*

SAFETY RECALL – VALVE COVER STUDS

Dear: (Name)

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. DaimlerChrysler Corporation has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in some 2004 model year Jeep® Liberty vehicles equipped with a 3.7L engine.

The problem is... The generator and fuel injector wiring harnesses on your Liberty (VIN: xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx) may short circuit due to contact with two valve cover studs. A short circuit in the generator harness can cause an underhood fire. A short circuit in the fuel injector harness can cause the engine to stall and result in a crash without warning.

What your dealer will do... DaimlerChrysler will repair your vehicle free of charge (parts and labor). To do this, your dealer will install protective caps over the valve cover studs and reroute the affected wiring harnesses. The work will take less than ½ hour to complete. However, additional time may be necessary depending on how dealer appointments are scheduled and processed.

What you must do to ensure your safety... Simply contact your dealer right away to schedule a service appointment. Ask the dealer to hold the parts for your vehicle or to order them before your appointment. Remember to bring this letter with you to your dealer.

If you need help... If you have questions or concerns which your dealer is unable to resolve, please contact DaimlerChrysler at 1-800-853-1403.

Please help us update our records, by filling out the enclosed prepaid postcard, if any of the conditions listed on the card apply to you or your vehicle. Be sure to print the last eight (8) characters of the VIN (VVVVVVVV) and notification code D33 on the postcard.

If you have already experienced this condition and have paid to have it repaired, you may send your original receipts and/or other adequate proof of payment to the following address for reimbursement: DaimlerChrysler, P.O. Box 610207, Port Huron, MI 48061-0207, Attention: Reimbursement.

If your dealer fails or is unable to remedy this defect without charge and within a reasonable time, you may submit a written complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20590, or call the toll-free Auto Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236.

We're sorry for any inconvenience, but we are sincerely concerned about your safety. Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Customer Services Field Operations
DaimlerChrysler Corporation
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Note to lessors receiving this recall: Federal regulation requires that you forward this recall notice to the lessee within 10 days.