

SAFETY RECALL BULLETIN

SUBJECT:

FUEL RETURN PIPE REPLACEMENT — SAFETY RECALL CAMPAIGN

No: SR-09-004

DATE: September, 2009

MODEL: See below

CIRCULATE TO:	[] GENERAL MANAGER	[X] PARTS MANAGER	[X] TECHNICIAN
[X] SERVICE ADVISOR	[X] SERVICE MANAGER	[X] WARRANTY PROCESSOR	[] SALES MANAGER

PURPOSE

The manner in which the fuel return pipe is attached to the engine, in combination with frequent driving at certain engine revolutions, may cause vibration that if continued over time, may cause a stress crack, which could result in fuel leakage. This bulletin describes how to install a new fuel return pipe and additional securing hardware to prevent this condition.

AFFECTED VEHICLES

2008-2009 Lancer Evolution 2009 Lancer Ralliart 2009 Lancer Sportback Ralliart (Canada only)

IMPORTANT

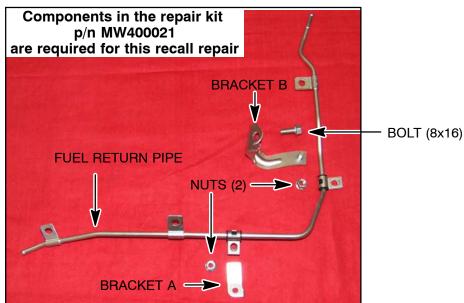
Affected new or used inventory vehicles must be repaired before the vehicle is sold. Dealers must check their inventory vehicles' VINs on the Warranty Super Screen to verify whether the vehicle is involved in this recall campaign.

CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION

A letter will be sent to all owners of affected vehicles telling them to bring their vehicle to their Mitsubishi Motors dealer for fuel return pipe replacement. A copy of the customer notification letter appears later in this bulletin.

REQUIRED OPERATIONS

Before starting this procedure, **CHECK ON THE WARRANTY SUPERSCREEN** to verify that the vehicle is an affected VIN for this campaign and that this campaign procedure has not already been completed.



FILE UNDER:

1. Remove the fuel filler cap, then reinstall it. This will release pressure in the fuel tank and prevent fuel spray when the fuel return pipe is removed.



2. Remove the air intake hose by loosening the hose clamps.

⚠ CAUTION

After removing the hose, apply tape to cover the intercooler pipe and hose, to prevent entry of foreign material during this repair.

3. Remove the engine cover.

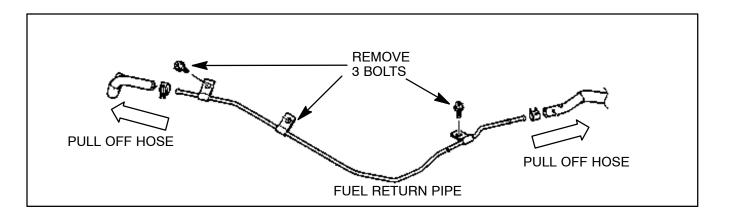


4. Remove the harness clips to access the fuel return pipe.

5. Remove the two bolts from the engine cover bracket.



REMOVE ENGINE COVER BRACKET (2 BOLTS)





 Loosen the hose clamps at both ends of the fuel return pipe and pull off the hoses. Then remove the three bolts securing the pipe and remove the pipe from the engine compartment.

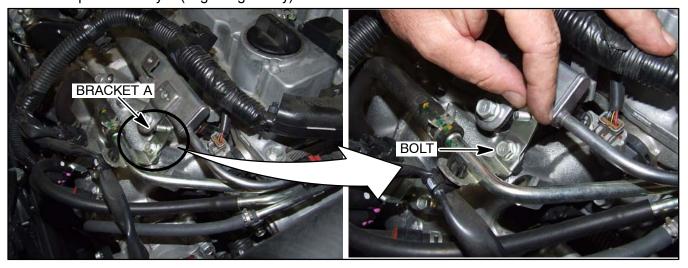
⚠ WARNING

Some fuel leakage may occur. Cover the pipe ends and hoses with a cloth.



7. Remove the bolt for the vacuum pipe located in front of the engine. Retain this bolt.

Use this bolt to secure Bracket A (small bracket provided in the repair kit) in the same location. Do not torque the bolt yet (finger-tight only).

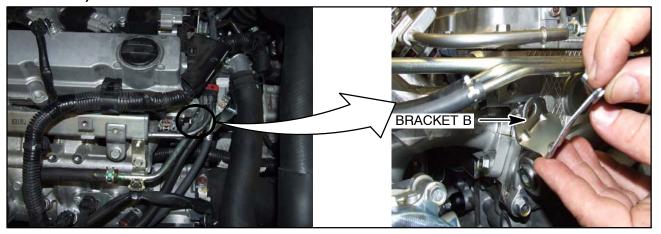


8. Remove the bolt for the vacuum pipe located at the LH side of the engine. Install Bracket B (large bracket provided in the repair kit) using the new 8X16 bolt provided in the repair kit.

Tighten the bolt to 23.5 Nm ± 3.5 Nm (16.5 ± 2.6 ft/lb.).

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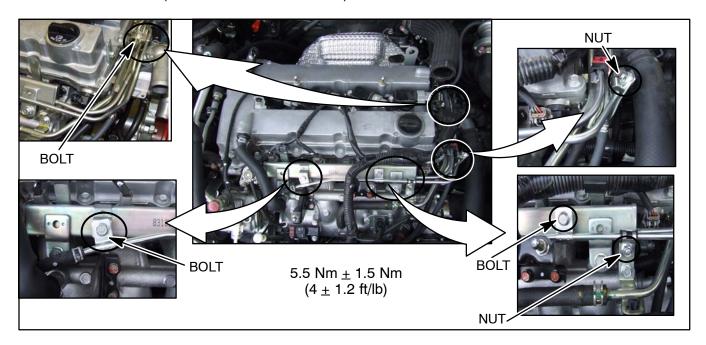
Be sure to use the new, longer bolt (size 8X16) provided in the kit for Bracket B (large bracket). Discard the old 8X14 bolt.





9. Torque the bolt securing Bracket A (small bracket) to 10 Nm ± 2 Nm (7.5 ± 1.5 ft/lb or 90 ± 18 in/lb).

10. Install the new fuel return pipe provided in the kit. Secure it with 3 bolts and two nuts tightened to $5.5 \text{ Nm} \pm 1.5 \text{ Nm}$ (4 $\pm 1.2 \text{ ft/lb}$ or 48 $\pm 14 \text{ in/lb}$).

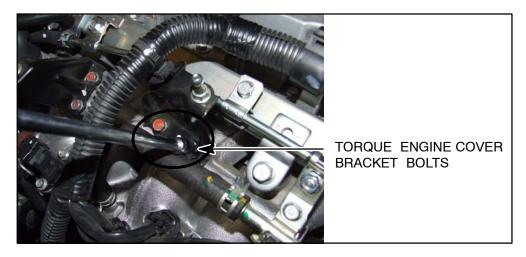


11. Connect the hoses to both ends of the new fuel return pipe. **DO NOT APPLY ANY LUBRICANT TO THE HOSES.** Reinstall the hose clamps.

⚠ CAUTION

Be sure the hoses are fully inserted onto the new fuel return pipe and the hose clamps are securely installed in the correct locations.

12. Torque the two bolts for the engine cover bracket to 8 Nm \pm 2 Nm (6 \pm 1.5 ft/lb or 72 \pm 18 in/lb).



- 13. Reinstall the harness clips.
- 14. Confirm that all attaching hardware in the engine compartment has been securely installed.
- 15. Remove the tape that was applied in Step 2. Then reinstall the air intake hose. DO NOT APPLY ANY LUBRICANT TO THE HOSE.

⚠ CAUTION

Be sure the air intake hose is fully installed and the hose clamps are securely installed in the correct locations.

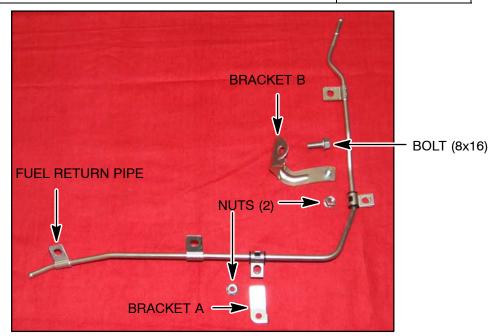
- 16. Start the engine and allow to idle for one minute. Confirm there is no fuel leakage at the fuel return pipe and hose connections.
- 17. Turn off the engine. Reinstall the engine cover.

PARTS INFORMATION

A supply of repair kits will be allocated to each dealer. Determine your actual needs before ordering additional parts. Refer to Parts Bulletin XX–XX–XX for additional details.

Use the genuine Mitsubishi Parts listed below.

Description	Part Number
Fuel Return Pipe & Bracket Kit	MW400021
Kit contains 1 fuel return pipe, 2 brackets, 1 bolt, 2 flange nuts	



RECALL CLAIM INFORMATION

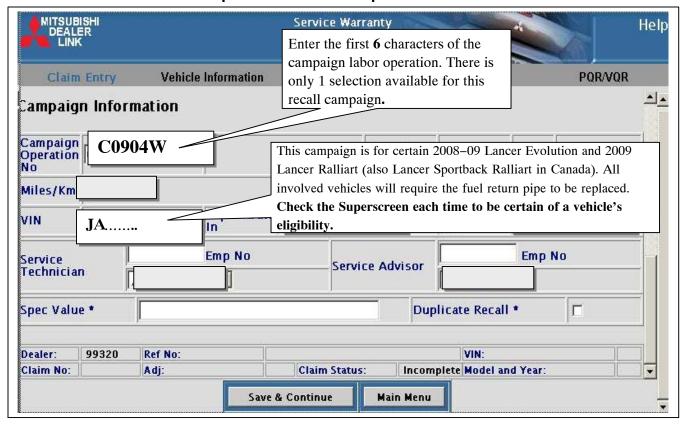
Enter as a "Recall" claim on the MDL. Sample claims screens are shown on the following pages.

Use Campaign Labor Operation Number C0904W01 Allowed Labor Time: 0.6 hrs.

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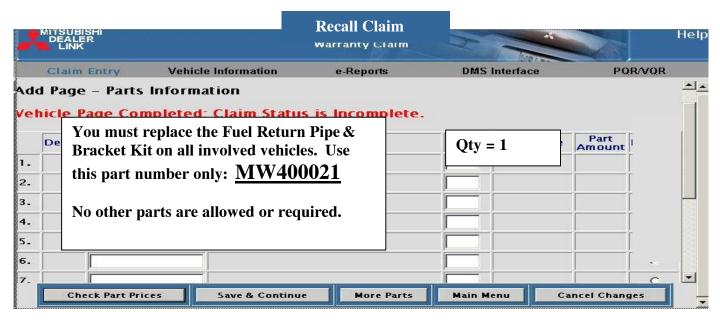
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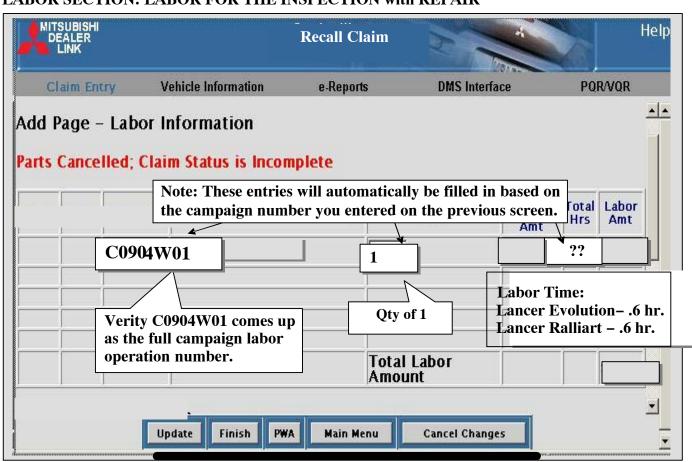
Note: In very rare instances it may be necessary to arrange towing and/or provide a temporary rental/loaner vehicle to a customer. Please use the entry field ast the bottom of the campaign claim's labor section.



CLAIM EXAMPLE: FUEL RETURN PIPE & BRACKET KIT - PARTS SECTION



LABOR SECTION: LABOR FOR THE INSPECTION with REPAIR





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AFFECTED VEHICLES

MODELS:

2008-2009 LANCER EVOLUTION

2009 LANCER RALLIART

Date: September, 2009

Dear Mitsubishi Owner,

This notice has been sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Reason For Notice: Mitsubishi Motors North America, Inc. (MMNA) has determined that a defect relating to vehicle

safety exists in the vehicles listed above. Specifically, the manner in which the fuel return pipe is attached to the engine, in combination with frequent vehicle operation at certain engine revolutions, may result in a resonance that, if continued over time, may cause a stress crack to develop at the fixed portion of the fuel pipe. If this stress crack develops, fuel leakage may occur. Fuel in the presence of an ignition source could result in a fire.

What you should do: Please contact your Authorized Mitsubishi Dealer and schedule an appointment to have a new

fuel return pipe with additional attachment brackets installed on your vehicle, free of charge. When you bring your vehicle in, please show the dealer this letter. (If you misplace this letter,

the dealer will still make this repair to your vehicle, free of charge).

What your dealer will do: The dealership will install a new fuel return pipe with additional attachment brackets to better

control pipe vibration.

How long will it take? The time needed for this repair is approximately 30 minutes. The dealer may need your vehicle

for a longer period of time due to service scheduling issues, but every effort will be made to

minimize your inconvenience.

If you experience any problem having your vehicle repaired promptly and/or at no charge, please inform us by calling the Mitsubishi Customer Relations Department at **888-648-7820**. Hours: Monday through Friday 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Pacific Time)

If, after contacting Mitsubishi Customer Relations, you still have a problem getting this repair made promptly and/or without charge, write to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, D.C. 20590, or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153), or go to http://www.safercar.gov.

If you have already encountered a problem regarding the above condition and have paid for the repair, you may send your original receipts and/or other adequate proof of payment to the following address for reimbursement:

Mitsubishi Customer Relations Department, P.O. Box 6400, Cypress, CA 90630-0064

Notice to Lessors: If you are a lessor of five or more leased vehicles as of the date of this letter, you have an obligation under federal law, (49 CFR Part 577), to provide each lessee of the above referenced vehicle with a copy of this letter by first class mail within ten days of receipt. Further, you must maintain a record which identifies each lessee to whom you sent a copy of this letter, the date you sent it, and the vehicle identification number (VIN) of the subject vehicle.

We appreciate your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Mitsubishi Motors North America, Inc.

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