



Bulletin No.: 14877A
Date: October 2015

Recall Bulletin

PRODUCT SAFETY RECALL

SUBJECT: Supplemental Restraint System Air Bag Control Module

MODELS: 2003-2004 Pontiac Vibe

Step 1 of the Service Procedure section has been revised and a copy of the customer notification letter has been included. Please discard all copies of bulletin 14877.

It is a violation of Federal law for a dealer to deliver a new motor vehicle or any new or used item of motor vehicle equipment (including a tire) covered by this notification under a sale or lease until the defect or noncompliance is remedied.

All involved vehicles that are in dealer inventory must be held and not delivered to customers, dealer traded, or used for demonstration purposes until the repair contained in this bulletin has been performed on the vehicle.

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CONDITION

Toyota has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in certain 2003-2004 model year Pontiac Vibe vehicles. The Pontiac Vibe was manufactured by New United Motor Manufacturing, Inc. (NUMMI), a joint venture between Toyota and General Motors. As a result, GM is conducting a safety recall.

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CORRECTION

If the transient noise filter (wiring harness kit) was previously installed under recall 13030, dealers are to replace the air bag control module only. If the wiring harness kit was not previously installed under recall 13030, dealers are to install the wiring harness kit and replace the air bag control module.

VEHICLES INVOLVED

All involved vehicles are identified by Vehicle Identification Number on the Investigate Vehicle History screen in GM Global Warranty Management system. Dealership service personnel

should always check this site to confirm vehicle involvement prior to beginning any required inspections and/or repairs. It is important to routinely use this tool to verify eligibility because not all similar vehicles may be involved regardless of description or option content.

For dealers with involved vehicles, a listing with involved vehicles containing the complete vehicle identification number, customer name, and address information has been prepared and will be provided to US and Canadian dealers through the GM GlobalConnect Recall Reports. Dealers will not have a report available if they have no involved vehicles currently assigned.

The listing may contain customer names and addresses obtained from Motor Vehicle Registration Records. The use of such motor vehicle registration data for any purpose other than follow-up necessary to complete this recall is a violation of law in several states/provinces/countries. Accordingly, you are urged to limit the use of this report to the follow-up necessary to complete this recall.

PART INFORMATION

Note: This recall involves vehicles that were previously involved in recall 13030 and have not been repaired under recall 13030, or were repaired under recall 13030 but were repaired with only a transient noise filter (wiring harness kit). If the wiring harness kit was previously installed under recall 13030, dealers are to replace the air bag control module only. If the wiring harness kit was not previously installed under recall 13030, dealers are to install the wiring harness kit and replace the air bag control module.

Parts required to complete this recall are to be obtained from General Motors Customer Care and Aftersales (GMCCA). Please refer to your “involved vehicles listing” before ordering parts. This part will be on Order Writing control initially and all DRO’s (Daily Replenishment Orders) will cancel. Dealers can place orders CSO (Customer Special Order). In emergency situations a dealer should place a SPAC case and the orders will be processed in the order received.

Part Number	Description	Quantity/ Vehicle
19205557	Harness Kit, Airbag Sen & Diagn Mdl Wrg (Transient Noise Filter) (If Not Previously Installed Under Recall 13030)	1 (If Req'd)
19205561	Module, Air Bag Sen & Diagn (Air Bag Control Module) (Without Side Air Bags)	1
19205562	Module, Air Bag Sen & Diagn (Air Bag Control Module) (With Side Air Bags)	1

SERVICE PROCEDURE

Note: This recall only covers the installation of the transient noise filter (sub-wire harness kit) and the sensing and diagnostic module (SDM). No other components in the SRS system are covered by this recall.

1. Determine if a warranty transaction for labor code V2848 (Install Airbag Harness Kit) from recall 13030 has been paid. This information can be found in the View Vehicle Transaction History Detail section on the Investigate Vehicle History screen in the GM Global Warranty Management system.

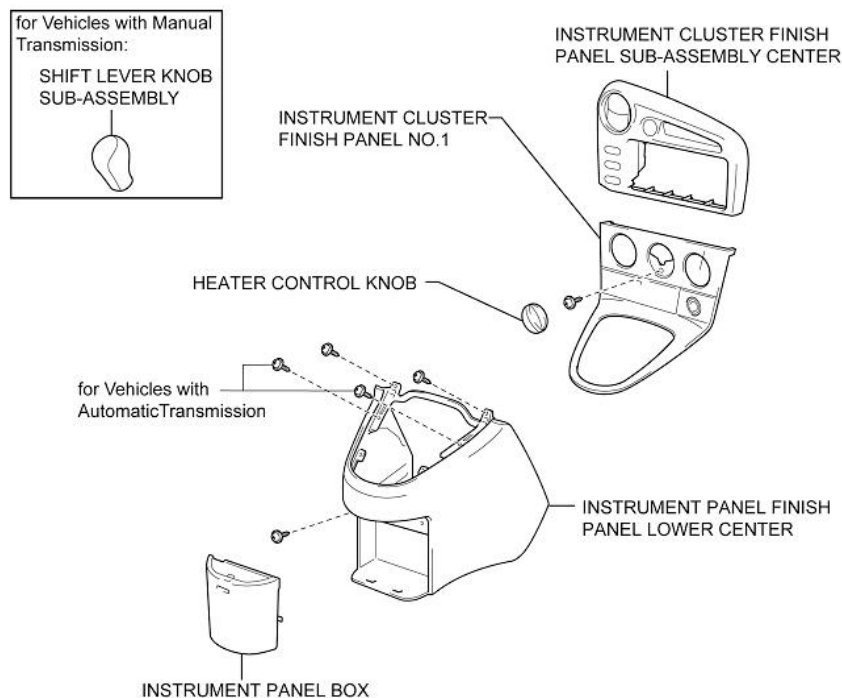
Note: With the release of recall 14877, the status of all uncompleted vehicles involved in recall 13030 was manually changed from “Open” to “Closed” in the Required Field Actions section on the IVH screen. Therefore, this section should not be used to determine if an airbag harness kit

was previously installed. Dealers should always check the View Vehicle Transaction History Detail section to make this determination.

- If a warranty transaction for labor code V2848 has been paid, replace the sensing and diagnostic module (SDM) only. Proceed to step 2 and then to step 10.
- If a warranty transaction for labor code V2848 has NOT been paid, install the transient noise filter (sub-wire harness kit) and replace the SDM. Proceed to step 2.

Warning:

- Wait at least 90 seconds after disconnecting the cable from the negative battery terminal to prevent airbag and seat belt pretensioner deployment.
 - Follow all precautions as outlined in SI before servicing the SRS system.
2. Disconnect the negative battery terminal. Refer to *Battery Negative Cable Disconnection and Connection* in SI.
 3. Set the parking brake.
 4. Slide the driver and passenger seat to the rearmost position.



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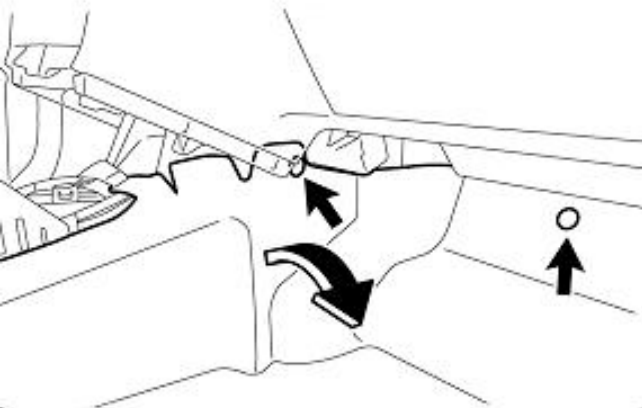
5. Remove the following parts. Refer to SI.
 - Instrument cluster finish panel sub-assembly center.
 - Shift lever knob sub-assembly (**manual trans only**).
 - Heater control knob.
 - Instrument cluster finish panel No. 1.
 - Instrument panel box.
 - Instrument panel finish panel lower center.



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Note: Carefully read and follow instructions below.

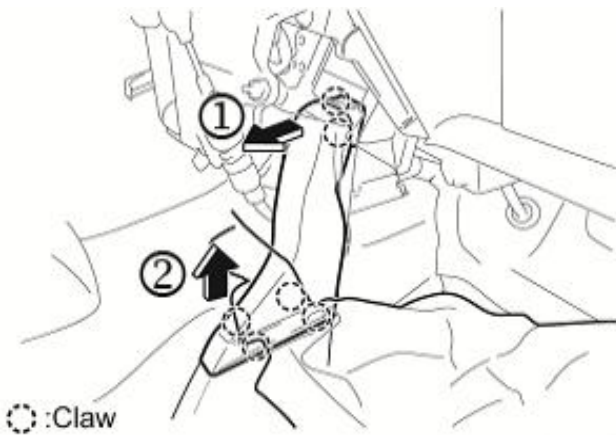
- **Wear protective gloves.**
 - **Remove the floor carpet enough to gain access to the SDM.**
6. Remove the floor carpet LH by removing the clip and pulling back on the floor carpet.



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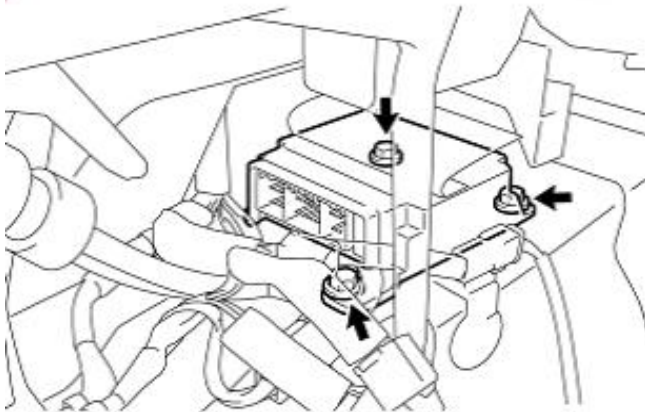
Note: Carefully read and follow instructions below.

- **Wear protective gloves.**
 - **Remove the floor carpet enough to gain access to the SDM.**
7. Remove the floor carpet RH by removing the 2 clips and pulling back the floor carpet.
 8. Remove air duct rear no. 3.



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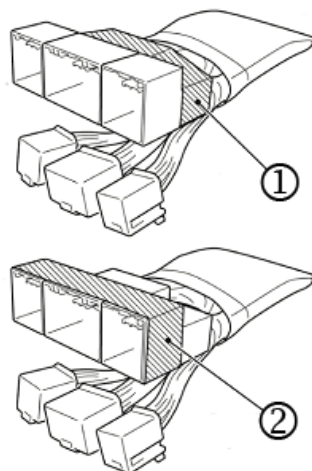
- 8.1 Pull the upper portion of the duct (1) rearward to disengage the 2 upper claws.
- 8.2 Pull the bottom portion of the duct (2) upward to disengage the 4 claws and remove the duct.
9. Disconnect the three (3) sensing and diagnostic module (SDM) connectors.
10. Replace the SDM. Refer to *Airbag Sensing and Diagnostic Module Replacement* in SI.



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- 10.1 Remove the 3 bolts and the SDM.
- 10.2 Install a NEW SDM, then continue to step 11.

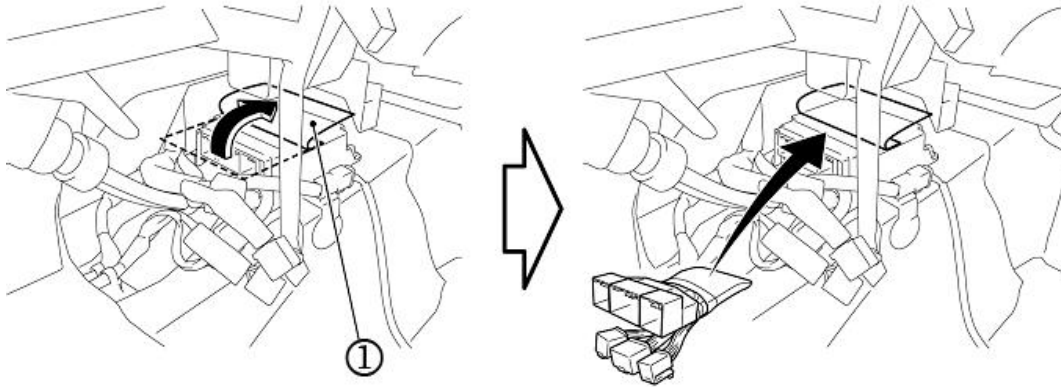
TIGHTEN to 13ft. lb (17.5 N·m)



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Caution: To prevent the tape from interfering with the connectors, *DO NOT* wrap the tape around the front portion (2) of the connectors.

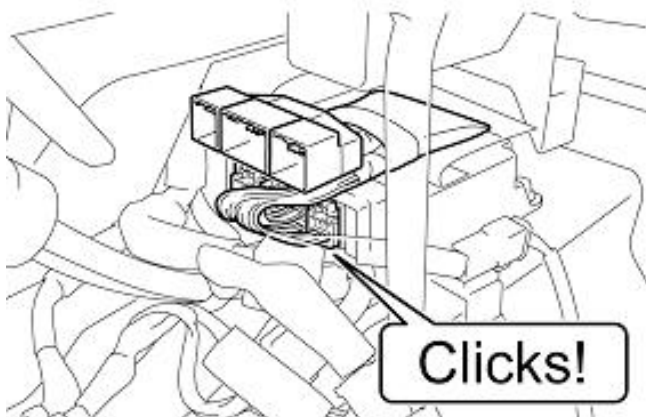
11. Prepare the sub harness. To prevent noise, secure the 3 female connectors together with vinyl tape as shown in location (1). *DO NOT WRAP* the tape in the shaded area (2).
12. Position the sub harness.



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Note: *DO NOT* remove the plastic sheet as it will cause the sensor label to peel off.

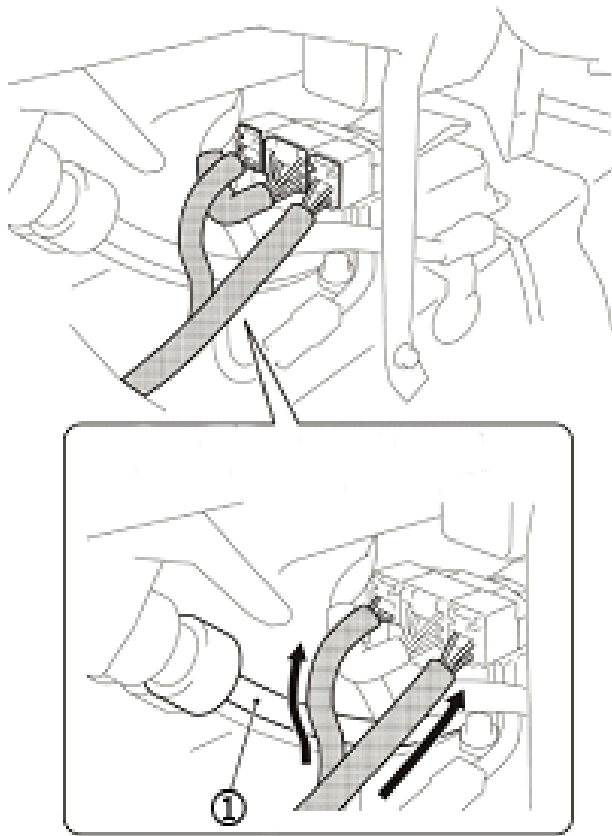
13. Fold back the plastic sheet (1) on the top of the SDM.



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14. Connect the 3 NEW connectors to the SDM.
15. Connect the 3 vehicle-side connectors to the NEW sub harness. Reference the correct illustration based on transmission type for wire routing.

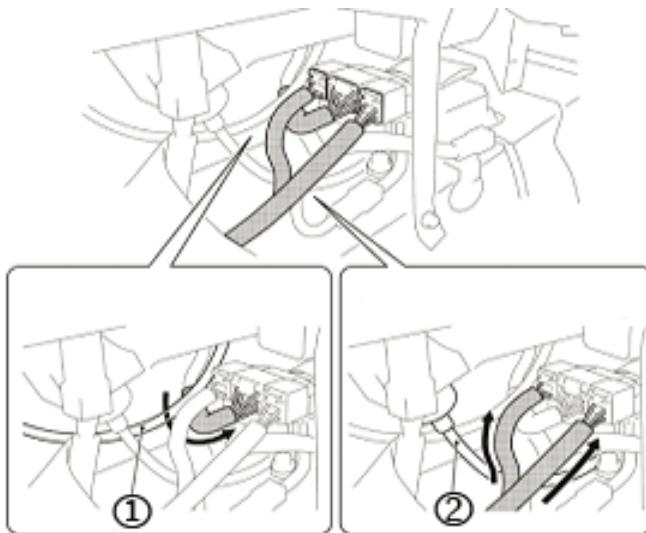
Manual Transmission



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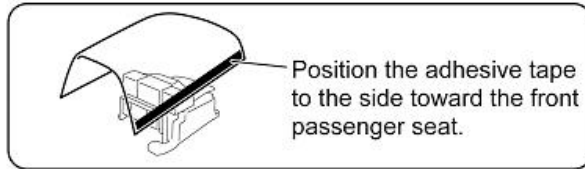
- For Manual Transmission vehicles pass the sub wire harness to the right of the shift cable (1).

Automatic Transmission

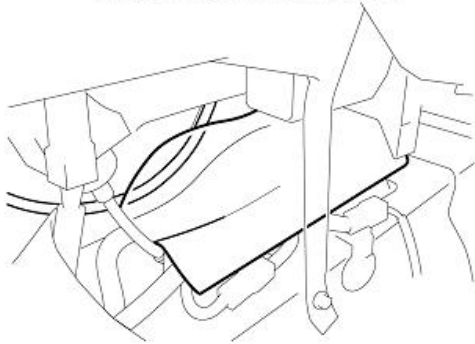


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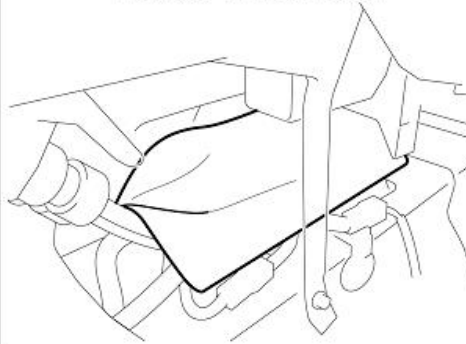
- For Automatic Transmission vehicles pass the sub wire harness under the parking lock cable (1). The sub harness additionally routes to the right of the shift cable (2).



for Vehicles with Automatic Transmission



for Vehicles with Manual Transmission

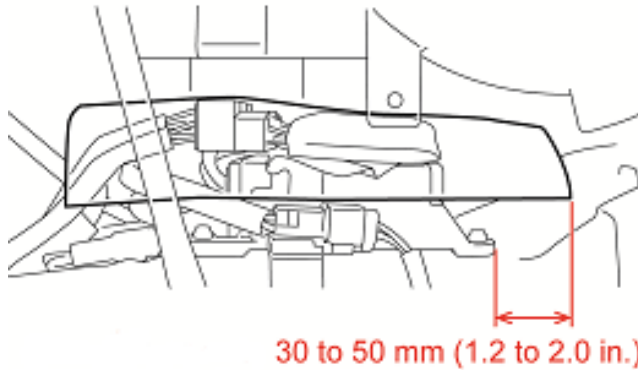


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Caution: The water guard sheet is critical to prevent water from the air conditioner from dripping on the SDM, confirm it is positioned and adhered correctly.

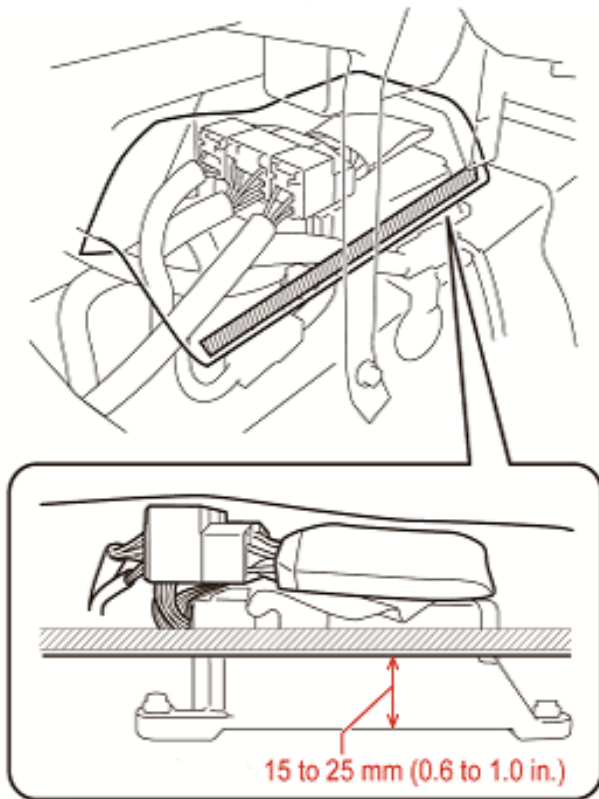
16. Install the water guard sheet.

16.1 Position the water guard sheet over the SDM and sub harness.



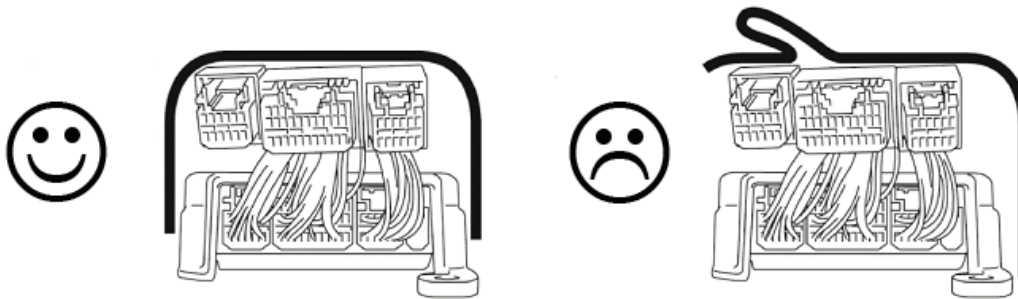
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16.2 Position the sheet so that the edge protrudes 1.2 to 2.0 in. (30 to 50 mm) past the back side of the SDM.



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16.3 Adhere the tape on the sheet to the right side of the SDM approximately 0.6 to 1.0 in. (15 to 25 mm) above the bottom end of the SDM.



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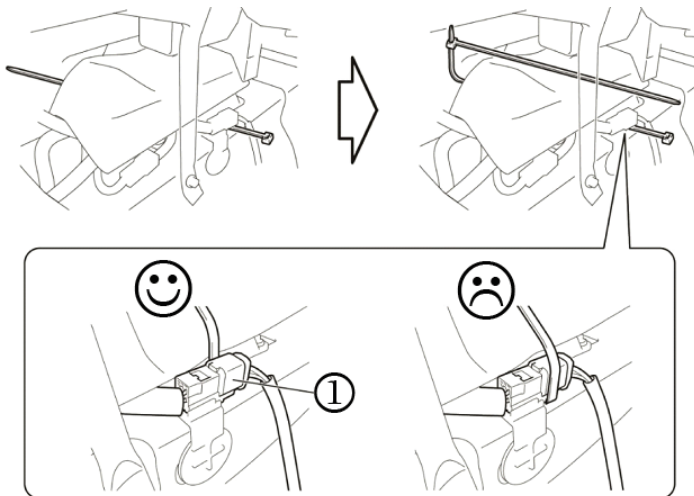
16.4 Confirm the sheet has been positioned correctly.

Caution:

- DO NOT bind the SDM harness/connector with the cable ties.
- If the cable tie or sheet is affixed incorrectly, the sub harness may not be fixed properly.

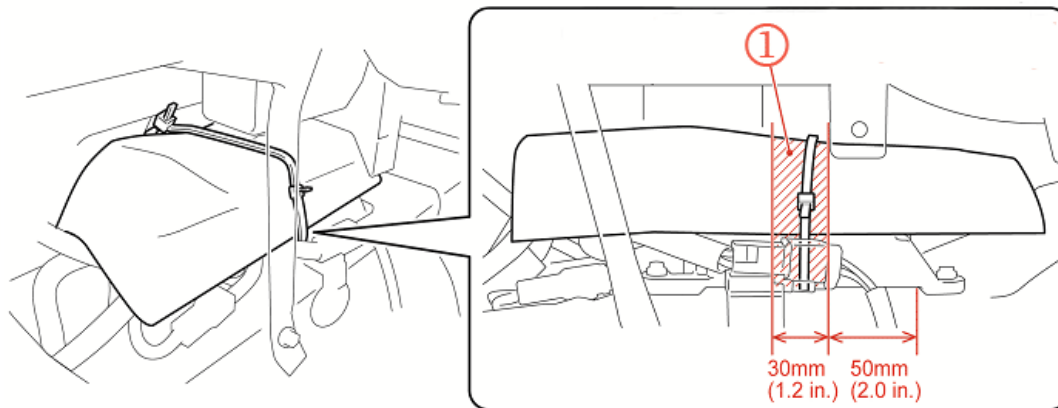
Note: Carefully read and follow instructions below.

- Only 2 cable ties are needed for the repair, 2 extra ties are also provided as supplements.
- If it is difficult to pass the cable underneath the SDM, loosen the 3 bolts that fasten the SDM then tighten to: 13ft. lb. (17.5N·m)



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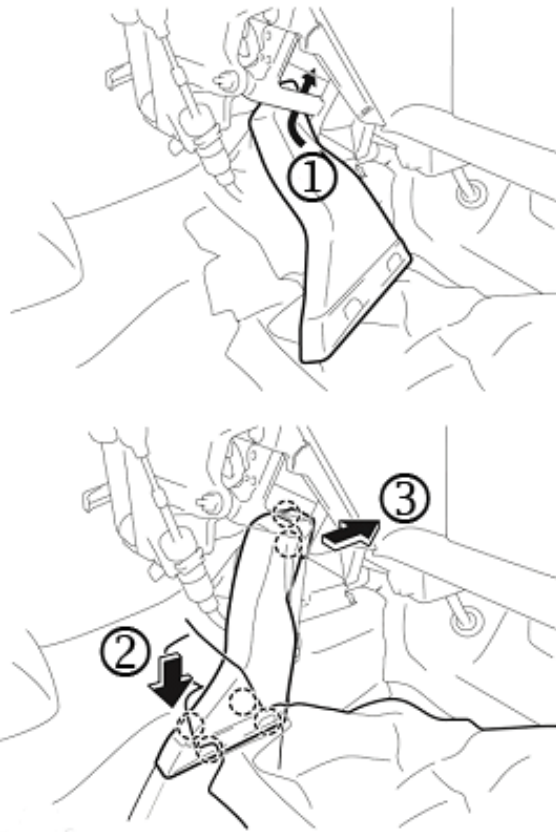
17. Pass a cable tie through the space under the SDM (1), then connect another cable tie.



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18. Join the cable ties and secure the sub harness, water guard, and SDM together.

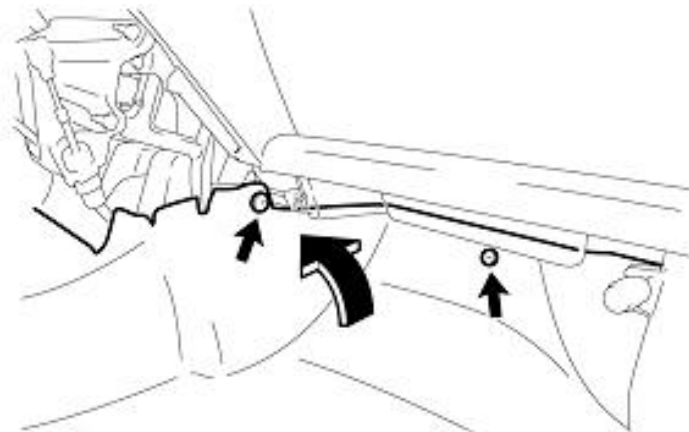
19. Cut any excess length from the cable tie. Secure the sheet, sub wire harness and SDM with the joint cable tie within the range (1) shown above.



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20. Reinstall air duct rear no. 3.

- 20.1 Insert the upper portion of the duct inside the bracket (1).
- 20.2 Engage the 4 claws (2) on the lower portion of the duct.
- 20.3 Engage the 2 claws (3) on the upper portion of the duct.



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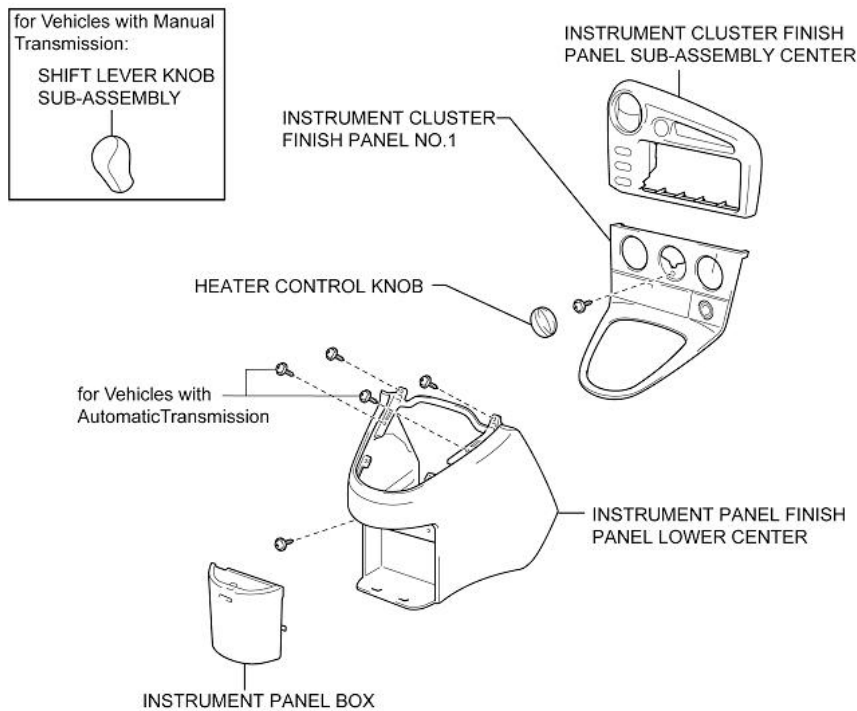
21. Reinstall the floor carpet RH and engage the 2 clips.

Warning: Confirm the floor carpet is secure and the clip is not damaged. Failure to secure the carpet could result in pedal interference.



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22. Reinstall the floor carpet LH. Reposition the carpet and engage the clip. Fasten the Velcro fastener.



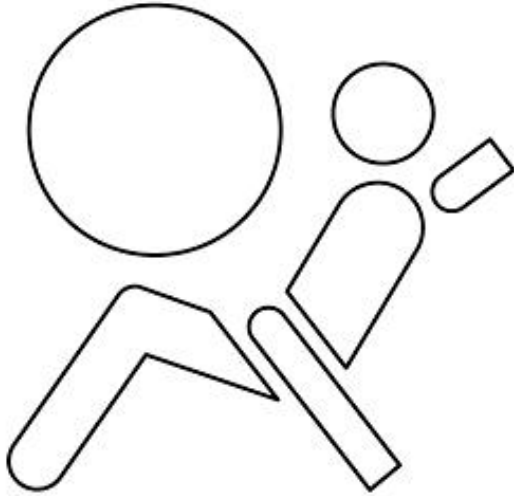
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23. Install the following parts. Refer to SI.

- Instrument panel finish panel lower center
- Instrument panel box
- Instrument cluster finish panel No. 1
- Heater control knob
- Shift lever knob sub-assembly (manual transmission only)
- Instrument cluster finish panel sub-assembly center

24. Reconnect the negative battery terminal. Refer to *Battery Negative Cable Disconnection and Connection* in SI.

25. Check the airbag warning indicator.



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25.1 Confirm that the warning indicator illuminates when the ignition is switched on.

25.2 Confirm that the warning light turns off after about 6 seconds have elapsed.

Caution: After the 6 second illumination of the warning indicator, if the indicator goes off then back on or remains on, check for DTCs.

26. Restore vehicle settings.

- Restore any memory settings.
- Return the seats to their original positions.

CUSTOMER REIMBURSEMENT - For U.S.

Note: These vehicles were previously involved in recall 13030 and customer reimbursement may have already been provided under that field action number. To avoid transaction denial for duplication, please check Vehicle Transaction History Detail on the Investigate Vehicle History screen in the Global Warranty Management system before processing.

Customer requests for reimbursement of previously paid repairs for the recall condition are to be submitted to the dealer by September 30, 2016, unless otherwise specified by state law. If this is not convenient for the customer, the customer may mail the completed Customer Reimbursement Request Form and all required documents to the GM Customer Assistance Center.

All reasonable and customary costs to correct the condition described in this bulletin should be considered for reimbursement. Any questions or concerns should be reviewed with your GM representative prior to processing the request.

When a customer requests reimbursement, they must provide the following:

- A completed Customer Reimbursement Request Form. This form is mailed to the customer or can be obtained through GM GlobalConnect.
- The name and address of the person who paid for the repair.
- Paid receipt confirming the amount of the repair expense, a description of the repair, and the person or entity performing the repair.

IMPORTANT: GM requires dealers to approve or deny a reimbursement request within 30 days of receipt. If a reimbursement request is approved, the dealer should immediately issue a check to the customer and submit an appropriate warranty transaction for the incurred expense. If a reimbursement request is denied, the dealer MUST provide the customer with a clear and concise explanation, in writing, as to why the request was denied. The bottom portion of the Customer Reimbursement Request Form may be used for this purpose. If the denial was due to missing documents, the customer can resubmit the request when the missing documents are obtained, as long as it is still within the allowed reimbursement period.

Warranty transactions for customer reimbursement of previously paid repairs are to be submitted as required by GM Global Warranty Management. Additional information can also be found in Warranty Administration Bulletin 11-00-89-004.

CUSTOMER REIMBURSEMENT - For Canada

Note: These vehicles were previously involved in recall 13030 and customer reimbursement may have already been provided under that field action number. To avoid transaction denial for duplication, please check Vehicle Transaction History Detail on the Investigate Vehicle History screen in the Global Warranty Management system before processing.

Customer requests for reimbursement of previously paid repairs to correct the condition described in this bulletin are to be submitted to the dealer prior to or by September 30, 2016.

When a customer requests reimbursement, they must provide the following:

- Proof of ownership at time of repair.
- Original paid receipt confirming the amount of unreimbursed repair expense(s) (including Service Contract deductibles), a description of the repair, and the person or entity performing the repair.

All reasonable and customary costs to correct the condition described in this bulletin should be considered for reimbursement. Any questions or concerns should be reviewed with your GM representative prior to processing the request.

WARRANTY TRANSACTION INFORMATION

Submit a transaction using the table below. All transactions should be submitted as a ZFAT transaction type, unless noted otherwise.

Note: To avoid having to "H" route the customer reimbursement transaction for approval, it must be submitted prior to the repair transaction.

Labor Code	Description	Labor Time	Net Item
9100844	Install Air Bag Control Module Only	0.6	N/A
9101765	Install Air Bag Control Module & Wiring Harness Kit (Noise Filter)	1.0	N/A
9101766	Customer Reimbursement Approved	0.2	*
9101767	Customer Reimbursement Denied - For U.S. Dealers Only	0.1	N/A

Note: Customer reimbursement will not close this recall. The service procedure must also be performed on the vehicle.

- * The amount identified in "Net Item" should represent the dollar amount reimbursed to the customer. These vehicles were previously involved in recall 13030 and customer reimbursement may have already been provided under that field action number. To avoid a transaction denial for duplication, please check Vehicle Transaction History Detail on the Investigate Vehicle History screen in the Global Warranty Management system before processing.

CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION – For U.S. and Canada

General Motors will notify customers of this recall on their vehicle.

DEALER RECALL RESPONSIBILITY – For U.S. and Export (U.S. States, Territories, and Possessions)

It is a violation of Federal law for a dealer to deliver a new motor vehicle or any new or used item of motor vehicle equipment (including a tire) covered by this notification under a sale or lease until the defect or noncompliance is remedied.

The U.S. National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act provides that each vehicle that is subject to a recall of this type must be adequately repaired within a reasonable time after the customer has tendered it for repair. A failure to repair within sixty days after tender of a vehicle is prima facie evidence of failure to repair within a reasonable time. If the condition is not adequately repaired within a reasonable time, the customer may be entitled to an identical or reasonably equivalent vehicle at no charge or to a refund of the purchase price less a reasonable allowance for depreciation. To avoid having to provide these burdensome remedies, every effort must be made to promptly schedule an appointment with each customer and to repair their vehicle as soon as possible. In the recall notification letters, customers are told how to contact the U.S. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration if the recall is not completed within a reasonable time.

DEALER RECALL RESPONSIBILITY – All

All unsold new vehicles in dealers' possession and subject to this recall must be held and inspected/repaired per the service procedure of this recall bulletin before customers take possession of these vehicles.

Dealers are to service all vehicles subject to this recall at no charge to customers, regardless of mileage, age of vehicle, or ownership, from this time forward.

Customers who have recently purchased vehicles sold from your vehicle inventory, and for which there is no customer information indicated on the dealer listing, are to be contacted by the dealer. Arrangements are to be made to make the required correction according to the instructions contained in this bulletin. Recall follow-up cards should not be used for this purpose, since the customer may not as yet have received the notification letter.

In summary, whenever a vehicle subject to this recall enters your vehicle inventory, or is in your dealership for service in the future, you must take the steps necessary to be sure the recall correction has been made before selling or releasing the vehicle.





IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL

October 2015

This notice applies to your vehicle, **VIN:** _____

Dear General Motors Customer:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Your 2003-2004 model year Pontiac Vibe vehicle was previously involved in GM recall 13030. This letter is to inform you that your vehicle is now included in GM recall 14877. The inclusion of your vehicle in this recall was necessary because your vehicle has not been repaired under recall 13030, or your vehicle was repaired under recall 13030 but the repair involved the installation of a transient noise filter (wiring harness kit) only.

Toyota has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in certain 2003-2004 model year Pontiac Vibe vehicles. The Pontiac Vibe was manufactured by New United Motor Manufacturing, Inc. (NUMMI), a joint venture between Toyota and General Motors. As a result, GM is conducting a safety recall. We apologize for this inconvenience. However, we are concerned about your safety and continued satisfaction with our products.

IMPORTANT

- Your vehicle is involved in GM safety recall 14877.
- Schedule a service appointment with your GM dealer as soon as possible.
- This repair will be performed for you at **no charge**.

Why is your vehicle being recalled?

The air bag control module for the supplemental restraint system (SRS) in your vehicle could have been manufactured with application-specific integrated circuits (ASICs) that are susceptible to internal shorting. When exposed to high inductive electrical noise from various vehicle electrical components, these ASICs could experience an internal short that creates abnormal current flow and increased heat. If this occurs, there is a possibility that the ASIC could become damaged. In some instances, the front air bag(s) and/or seat belt pretensioners could inadvertently deploy. An air bag that deploys inadvertently can, under some circumstances, increase the risk of injury and the possibility of a crash.

What will we do?

If the transient noise filter (wiring harness kit) was previously installed on your vehicle under recall 13030, your GM dealer will replace the air bag control module only. If the wiring harness kit was not previously installed on your vehicle under recall 13030, your GM dealer will install the wiring harness kit and replace the air bag control module. This service will be performed for you at **no charge**. Because of service scheduling requirements, it is likely that your GM dealer will need your vehicle longer than the actual service correction time of approximately one hour.

What should you do?

You should contact your GM dealer to arrange a service appointment as soon as possible.

Did you already pay for this repair?

Even though you may have already had repairs for this condition, you will still need to take your vehicle to your dealer for additional repairs. **If you have paid for repairs for the recall condition and have not been reimbursed under recall 13030**, please complete the enclosed reimbursement form and present it to your dealer with all required documents. Working with your dealer will expedite your request, however, if this is not convenient, you may mail the completed reimbursement form and all required documents to Reimbursement Department, PO Box 33170, Detroit, MI 48232-5170. The completed form and required documents must be presented to your dealer or received by the Reimbursement Department by October 31, 2016, unless state law specifies a longer reimbursement period.

Do you have questions?

If you have questions or concerns that your dealer is unable to resolve, please contact the appropriate Customer Assistance Center at the number listed below.

Division	Number	Text Telephones (TTY)
Pontiac	1-800-762-2737	1-800-833-7668
Puerto Rico – English	1-800-496-9992	
Puerto Rico – Español	1-800-496-9993	
Virgin Islands	1-800-496-9994	

If after contacting your dealer and the Customer Assistance Center, you are still not satisfied we have done our best to remedy this condition without charge and within a reasonable time, you may wish to write the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 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>. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Campaign ID Number for this recall is 15V043.

Federal regulation requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

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Global Vehicle Safety

Enclosure
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