Service Bulletin

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PRELIMINARY INFORMATION

Subject: Possible Oil Consumption Or Blue Smoke From The Exhaust CEL Or Fuel Trim Codes

Models: 2011-2013 Chevrolet Cruze, Sonic

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The following diagnosis might be helpful if the vehicle exhibits the symptom(s) described in this PI.

Condition/Concern

You may encounter a customer concern of oil consumption or blue smoke from the exhaust, CEL or fuel trim codes.

Recommendation/Instructions

Perform PI0552 to check the engine oil dipstick and oil fill cap for proper sealing.

Perform PIP4925 to check for any air leaks to the intake system.

If all diagnostics have been followed without isolating the concern, check the engine oil level and inspect the PCV hoses, Turbo housing, spark plugs, cylinders, intake manifold and air ducts for signs of excessive oil.

If the engine oil level is normal and excessive oil is not found in the intake, PCV system or cylinders then verify that the oil consumption is greater than 0.946 L (qt) in 3,200 km (2000 mi).

If the engine oil level is low or excessive oil is found in the intake, PCV system or cylinders, then check the PCV orifice (The PCV orifice is an integral part of the camshaft cover) for leaking oil or drawing vacuum at idle thru its external port.

If vacuum is present or oil is leaking from the port, replace the camshaft cover, drain the charge air cooler and intake manifold.

Record engine compression and cylinder leakage readings.

If low compression or high cylinder leakage is recorded, then remove all pistons and inspect for cracks in the piston ring lands.

Replace the pistons including new rings as needed using the part numbers in the catalog and drain the charge air cooler and intake manifold.

Do not replace the engine for this concern unless cylinder wall or block damage is found.

Please follow this diagnostic or repair process thoroughly and complete each step. If the condition exhibited is resolved without completing every step, the remaining steps do not need to be performed.

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