



# Service Bulletin

## PRELIMINARY INFORMATION

**Subject:** Unable To Connect Or Use Hands Free Calling Or No Data On The Call (Failed To Voice)

**Models:** 2000-2013 GM Passenger Car and Light Duty Trucks  
With OnStar Gen6, Gen7, Gen8, or Gen9

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

### Condition/Concern

The OnStar Blue button, emergency - red button or/and HFC (call answer/end button) key press results in: Cellular messages, progression tones (1 every 6 seconds), dropped calls or no data on the call with OnStar (failed to voice). A possible cause could be a lack/limited cellular coverage, outage in the area, Incorrect PRL or incorrect home SID may cause this concern.

### Recommendation/Instructions

Dealer technicians are to record information listed below using the TECH2 or GDS2.

**Important:** When retrieving ALL of following information the vehicle must be parked outside in an open area to obtain optimum cellular signal.

For vehicles in which module information displays all asterisks, cancel RAP and then cycle power to the VCIM. After power is cycled, attempt to retrieve module information.

### Using Tech 2

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ID Information - Module 2

8 Digit GM part number:

Electronic Serial Number:

VCI Module Station ID:

Module ID:

-Data Display-

Signal Strength:(if available)

Signal Type:(if available)

Trans ID:(if available)

-Cellular Information-

Call mode:

Current System ID:

Digital Home NID:

Digital Home SID:

PRL Outdated Status:

PRL Version Number:

Off Board Navigation (Gen 7 and above):

> Module Set Up >Program Phone Number

MIN:

MDN:

Perform an outbound OnStar personal call:

Results:

OnStar key press:

Results:

Can the vehicle receive a call?

Results:

Test the Emergency Button:

(If answered tell the advisor you have no Emergency and you are testing the system.)

Please document if connection is made to the OnStar center with no data (failed to Voice) at any time.

## Using GDS2

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IDENTIFICATION INFORMATION:

End model part number:

Mobile equipment identifier:

OnStar customer identifier:

Module generation identifier:

Current transceiver identifier:

Off board navigation:

Network access identifier:

Call mode:

Mobile identification number:

Mobile directory number:

SIGNAL STRENGTH DATA:

GSM signal strength (if available)

Signal type (if available)

Perform an outbound OnStar personal call:

Results:

OnStar key press

Results:

Can the vehicle receive a call?

Results:

Test the Emergency Button:

(If answered tell the advisor you have no Emergency and you are testing the system.)

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After retrieving the above information with the tech 2 or GDS2 and the vehicle outside, please look at the following information. If Current SID/Transceiver ID reads 40000 or 03353, call mode 0, 13, 60, and signal strength of 0 or 106 the cell antenna and coax need to be checked. Use the OnStar test antenna EL-49903 (and adapter kit for Gen9 modules) and retest OnStar operation. Check the SID, Call Mode, and Signal Strength again and document any change.

**Note:** The Blue coax connector is always GPS. The Screw On, Violet or White Connector is Cellular.

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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