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APPLICABILITY:	2013MY BRZ	NUMBER: 06-44-12
SUBJECT:	Diagnosis of DTC C1249 Brake Light Switch Malfunction	DATE: 10/22/12

INTRODUCTION

This bulletin provides an additional diagnostic procedure to be used when diagnosing DTC C1249, Brake Light Switch (BLS) malfunction. The Service Manual will be revised to include this diagnostic procedure in the future.

SERVICE PROCEDURE / INFORMATION

IMPORTANT: The customer should be made aware that if the accelerator and the brake pedals are operated at the same time, C1249 may set. If this driving tendency applies, DTC C1249 may reset until the customer's driving habits are changed. Confirm the customer fully understands this information before proceeding further with any diagnostics.

Other possible causes are a faulty or improperly adjusted brake light switch.

• Illustration shows the brake light switch and "Gap A" dimension which is explained below.



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- Connect the Select Monitor (SSMIII). While monitoring the Current Data Display, check and record the master cylinder pressures when:
 - 1) There is no brake pedal pressure being applied.
 - 2) The brake light switch status changes from "off" to "on" while pressing on the brake pedal.

When the brake light switch status turns from "off" to "on", master cylinder pressure should be between **0.08 to 0.27 MPa (11.6 to 39.2 psi)**.

- If the pressure measured is exceeds .3MPa (43.5psi) as indicated on the SSMIII, increase the "Gap A" dimension by 1 mm. Before adjusting the brake light switch, add a mark to reference it to the retainer as shown in the photos on page 3. This will help make the adjustment process easier. **CAREFULLY** rotate the brake light switch **SLOWLY**, counter-clockwise approximately 1/4 turn until you feel it begin to release from the retainer. Before it releases completely, move it one "notch" outward toward the steering wheel. Turn it back to the right (clockwise) until you feel it snap back into the "locked" position. You will need to develop a "feel" for the adjustment notches along with how the brake light switch releases and locks back into place. This may involve some trial and error. One notch is equivalent to 1mm of adjustment. If the brake light switch releases completely, insert it back into the retainer until your reference mark is in the original position then try again.
- Once you have increased "Gap A" 1mm as shown in the reference photos on page 3, repeat the pressure measurement.
- If the brake pressure is still out of the specified range and C1249 resets, continue diagnosis following the procedures found in the applicable Service Manual.

"BEFORE" AND "AFTER" REFERENCE PHOTOS



Before adjustment

After adjustment, "Gap A" increased by 1mm

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