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Service Bulletin

PRELIMINARY INFORMATION

Subject: AC Blows Warm Air Poor Performance

Models: 2013 Chevrolet Spark

This PI was superseded to remove admin details and update recommendations. Please discard PIC5715.

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

Condition/Concern

A customer may comment that the AC only blows warm air or gets slightly cooler during acceleration. Upon investigation the dealer may find AC pressures are erratic and the low side may be as low as 0 psi to 30 inches of vacuum.

Recommendation/Instructions

Dealers are advised to inspect for metal contamination in the AC system by removing the plug from the bottom of the receiver drier, remove the filter assembly and check for debris. Technicians should also remove the thermal expansion valve (TXV) and check for debris or contamination. If contamination is found, flush the AC system following the procedure in SI.

Verify BCM has the latest HVAC calibrations. If not present, program the BCM with the current calibrations using TIS2WEB. Confirm the issue has been resolved.

Additional SI Keywords:

A/C conditioning

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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