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THIS BULLETIN SUPERSEDES SERVICE BULLETIN 18-002-13, DATED JANUARY 17, 2013, WHICH SHOULD BE REMOVED FROM YOUR FILES. THIS BULLETIN IS NOW BEING RELEASED AS A RAPID RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL. ALL REVISIONS ARE HIGHLIGHTED WITH **ASTERISKS**.

HELP USING THE WITECH DIAGNOSTIC APPLICATION FOR FLASHING AN ECU IS AVAILABLE BY SELECTING "HELP" THEN "HELP CONTENTS" AT THE TOP OF THE WITECH DIAGNOSTIC APPLICATION WINDOW.

THE WITECH SOFTWARE LEVEL MUST BE AT RELEASE 13.02 OR HIGHER TO PERFORM THIS PROCEDURE.

SUBJECT:

Flash: MIL Illumination P000B, P050B and/or P2173. Includes Driveability/Transmission Enhancements

OVERVIEW:

This bulletin involves selectively erasing and reprogramming the Powertrain Control Module (PCM) with new software.

MODELS:

2013 (PF) Dart

NOTE: This bulletin applies to vehicles equipped with a 2.0L engine (sales code ECK) built before December 21, 2012 (MDH 122118).

SYMPTOM/CONDITION:

A small number of customers may experience a Malfunction Indicator Lamp (MIL) illumination. Upon further investigation the Technician may find that any of the following Diagnostic Trouble Codes (DTC's) have been set:

P000B- Exhaust Slow Response Bank 1

- P050B- Cold Start Ignition Timing Performance
- P2173- High Airflow/Vacuum Leak Detected (Slow Accumulation)

Driveability and Transmission Enhancements are also included with this software release. These changes include the following:

- Engine idles rough after an overnight soak but clears up as the engine warms up
- Improved garage shift feel and quality
- Improved extended idle evap purge strategy
- Reduced visible steam from under hood when idling in cool, damp conditions

Updating the software will correct the conditions listed above.

DIAGNOSIS:

Using a Scan Tool (wiTECH) with the appropriate Diagnostic Procedures available in TechCONNECT, verify all engine systems are functioning as designed. If DTC's other then the ones listed above are present, record them on the repair order and repair as necessary before proceeding further with this bulletin.

If a customer's VIN is listed in VIP or your RRT VIN list, perform the repair. For all other customers that describe the symptom/condition or if the technician finds the listed DTCs, perform the Repair Procedure.

PARTS REQUIRED:

Qty.	Part No.	Description
1	04275086AD	Label, Authorized Modification

REPAIR PROCEDURE:

NOTE: Install a battery charger to ensure battery voltage does not drop below 13.2 volts. Do not allow the charging voltage to climb above 13.5 volts during the flash process.

NOTE: If this flash process is interrupted/aborted, the flash should be restarted.

- Reprogram the PCM with the latest software. Follow the detailed service procedures available in DealerCONNECT/TechCONNECT, Refer To Group 8 - Electrical > Electronic Control Modules - Service Information > Module - Powertrain Control > Standard Procedures > PCM/ECM Programming.
- 2. After PCM reprogramming, the following must be performed: clear any DTC's that may have been set in other modules due to reprogramming. The wiTECH application will automatically present all DTCs after the flash and allow the tech to clear them.
- 3. Type the necessary information on the "Authorized Modification Label" and attach it near the VECI label.

POLICY:

Reimbursable within the provisions of the warranty.

TIME ALLOWANCE:

Labor Operation No:	Description	Amount
	Module, Powertrain Control (PCM) - Reprogram (1 - Semi-Skilled)	**0.2 Hrs.**

FAILURE CODE:

FM	Flash Module
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