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# PRELIMINARY INFORMATION

Subject: No Crank/No Start, Dead Battery Due to Parasitic Drain/Discharge

Models: 2011 GM Passenger Cars and Trucks (Except Cadillac STS, Chevrolet Volt)

**Equipped with OnStar®** 

This PI is being revised to update the Recommendation/Instructions. Please discard PI0412.

## Condition/Concern

In very rare cases, some customers may comment on a dead battery or a no start condition and there may also be no OnStar® LED light (after the vehicle has been restarted for at least a minute).

A 380 mA drain from the OnStar® Module may be a cause of this condition.

### Recommendation/Instructions

Perform the Battery Electrical Drain/Parasitic Load Test per the published procedure in SI.

If the parasitic draw is close to 380 mA and remains for more than 10 minutes and the OnStar® LED light is not lit even while the vehicle is running, pull the fuse on the OnStar® circuit or disconnect the OnStar® module connector (when OnStar® fuse powers multiple modules) and verify the parasitic current drops to normal levels. If the parasitic current drops to normal levels, replace the OnStar® communication interface module.

**Note:** The reason that the parasitic current must remain for at least 10 minutes is because the OnStar® module sometimes will connect to the OnStar® back office in power off mode to upload data for the OnStar® monthly emails.

#### **Parts Information**

For part number and usage of the communication interface module, see Group 09.645 of the appropriate Parts Catalog.

## **Warranty Information**

For vehicles repaired under warranty, use:

Labor Operation	Description	Labor Time
R5143	Communication Interface Module Replacement	Use Published Labor Operation Time