

Service Bulletin

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PRELIMINARY INFORMATION

- Subject: Engine Rattle/Knock Noise, Loose or Broken Front Crankshaft Pulley Bolt and/or Flywheel Bolts
- Models: 2013-2014 Buick Encore 2011-2014 Chevrolet Cruze 2012-2014 Chevrolet Sonic 2013-2014 Chevrolet Trax Equipped with Engine RPOs LUW, LUJ, LUV, LWE and Manual Transmission RPOs MF3, MZ0, M26, MZ4, M4P, MR5

This PI has been revised to add the 2013-2014 model years, include Encore, Trax models and RPOs LWE, M4P, MR5. Please discard PI0715.

Condition/Concern

Some customers may comment on a loud engine rattle or knock type noise, or the accessory drive belt and the lower crankshaft pulley has come off. An inspection may reveal a loose or broken bolt from the front crankshaft pulley and/ or flywheel bolts, causing them to make a noise or come off the engine.

Broken or loose bolts at the crankshaft pulley and/or flywheel are the result of excessive engine overspeed.

The cause of the higher than normal RPMs are achieved by shifting the vehicle from a higher gear to a lower gear at a higher rate of speed. This allows the wheels to drive the engine at a higher RPM than it is capable of handling.

Recommendation/Instructions

To identify if the engine RPMs were higher than the design load limits, use GDS2 and select Data Display, Overspeed Data table.

Check to see if the data shows that the engine has been run at too high of an RPM level. Any speed higher than 7500 RPMs is too excessive and could result in engine damage.

If the data indicates an overspeed condition has occurred, it should be inspected by your service manager and GM Field Representative to determine warranty responsibility.