



# Preliminary Information

PIC6141A Odor when engine is on, Low Miles

Models

Brand:	Model:	Model Years:	VIN:		Engine:	Transmissions:
			from	to		
Chevrolet	Volt	2016 - 2017	All	All	All	All

Supersession Statement

This PI was superseded to update to model years and remove the break point. Please discard PIC6141.  
The following diagnosis might be helpful if the vehicle exhibits the symptom(s) described in this PI.

Condition / Concern

New vehicles may exhibit odor/smell from the converter.  
Depending upon the customer driving habits they may notice this several months after purchase due to the long break in period for converters. This is mainly found while the vehicle is at zero speed with a warm engine.  
The catalytic converter assembly emits an odor until it is "baked in".

Recommendations / Instructions

Once the converter goes through a "bake" the smell will go away.  
One way to aid the "bake in" is to drive in Hold Mode for a few thousand miles. This will affect lifetime fuel economy.  
The dealer should advise the customer that no repair is available for this concern and that this is a normal characteristic of the vehicle. First generation Volts used a different converter. Returning customers may comment that this is new to them.  
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.

