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| APPLICABILITY:  | SERVICE BULL<br>2009-2016MY Forester<br>2008-2017MY Impreza<br>2013-2017MY Crosstrek<br>2008-2018MY WRX and WRX ST   | NUMBER: 15-222-18<br>DATE: 05/10/18 |

### **INTRODUCTION:**

This bulletin announces a design change to the A/C Condenser receiver-dryer assembly. The change involves the addition of a rubber end cap and retaining clip onto the bottom of the receiver-dryer tank portion to prevent corrosion intrusion and enhance sealing.

### **PRODUCTION CHANGE INFORMATION:**

The new condenser assemblies have been incorporated into production starting with the following VINs:

• Forester: (TBD)

**SUBJECT:** A/C Condenser Assembly- Design Change

- Impreza 5-Door / Crosstrek: H\*275760
- Impreza 4-Door: (TBD)
- WRX / WRX STI: **J\*802698**

### **PART INFORMATION:**

| Description    | Part Number | Note                                     |  |
|----------------|-------------|--|--|
|                | 73210SC003  |  |  |
| CONDENSER ASSY | 73210SC013  | Always order the most up-to-date part    |  |
| GUNDENSER ASST | 73210SG002  | number for the vehicle based on the VIN. |  |
|                | 73210VA001  |  |  |

NOTE: The receiver dryer component is NOT serviced separately from the condenser.

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A protective rubber cap secured with a retaining clip has been added as shown in the comparison illustrations below. The new rubber end cap protects the bottom of the tank from corrosion (e.g. road salt) intrusion.



#### Cut-away side view of Receiver / Dryer

Bottom view of Receiver / Dryer

# **SERVICE PROCEDURE / INFORMATION:**

The service procedures for diagnosing and replacing the condenser assembly remain unchanged. Always refer to the applicable Service Manual and review the full requirements the repair being performed. The Service Manual procedures contain information critical to performing an effective repair the first time and every time. This includes but is not limited to:

- Important SAFETY precautions
- Related one-time-use parts needed for a complete and lasting repair
- Proper inspection criteria, required processes and necessary special tools.

Customer satisfaction and retention starts with performing quality repairs.

### **REMINDERS:**

- Whenever servicing or replacing A/C system components, the sealing o-rings are One-Time Use items and must always be replaced.
- Always remember to replace the applicable amount of refrigerant oil based on the component being replaced. Refer to the table included in the applicable Service Manual.

# WARRANTY / CLAIM INFORMATION:

For vehicles within the Basic New Car Limited Warranty period or covered by an active Subaru Added Security Classic or Gold plan, this repair may be submitted using the following claim information:

| Labor Description   | Labor Operation # | Labor Time | Model                           | Fail Code |
|---------------------|-------------------|------------|---------------------------------|-----------|
| A/C CONDENSER       | B015-201          | 0.4        | Forester                        |           |
| ASSEMBLY R&R        |                   | 0.8        | Impreza, Crosstrek<br>WRX & STI | CTB-48    |
| EVACUATE & RECHARGE | C010-101          | 1.0        | All Models                      |           |

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- Always check for any open recalls or campaigns anytime a vehicle is in for servicing.
- Always refer to STIS for the latest service information before performing any repairs.