

## * NOTICE

This bulletin has been revised to include additional information. New/revised sections of this bulletin are indicated by a black bar in the margin area.

This bulletin provides the procedure to improve the logic of the Transmission Control Unit (TCU) on some 2018MY Stinger (CK) 2.0T \& 3.3T vehicles, equipped with Shift-by-Cable (SBC) and produced from September 29, 2017 through February 7, 2018. These vehicles may experience improper 1st gear engagement when moving the shifter in a fast or abrupt manner from "Park" to "Sport Mode". To correct this condition, apply the improved logic to the TCU using the KDS ECU Upgrade function as described in this bulletin. To confirm that the latest reflash has been applied to vehicle you are working on, verify the ROM ID using the table on page 2 of this bulletin. Before conducting the procedure, verify that the vehicle is included in the list of affected VINs.

Kia is requesting the completion of this Service Action on all affected vehicles, including in dealer stock (prior to delivery).


Kia Diagnostic System (KDS)

A Service Action is a repair program without customer notification that is performed during the warranty period. Any dealer requesting to perform this repair outside the warranty period will require DPSM approval.

Repair status for a VIN is provided on WebDCS (Service $\rightarrow$ Warranty Coverage $\rightarrow$ Warranty Coverage Inquiry $\rightarrow$ Campaign Information). Not completed Recall / Service Action reports are available on WebDCS (Consumer Affairs $\rightarrow$ Not Completed Recall $\rightarrow$ Recall VIN $\rightarrow$ Select Report), which includes a list of affected vehicles.

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## ECU Upgrade Procedure:

To correct this condition, the ECU should be reprogrammed using the KDS download, as described in this bulletin.

| Upgrade Event Name |
| :---: |
| 367. CK THETA 2.0T-GDI 8AT FAST STATIC GEAR SHIFT LOGIC IMPROVEMENT |
| 373. CK LAMBDA 3.3T-GDI 8AT FAST STATIC GEAR SHIFT LOGIC IMPROVEMENT |

## * NOTICE

- A fully charged battery is necessary before ECU upgrade can take place. It is recommended that the Midtronics GR8-1299 system be used in ECU mode during charging. DO NOT connect any other battery charger to the vehicle during ECU upgrade.
- All ECU upgrades must be done with the ignition key in the 'ON' position.
- Be careful not to disconnect the VCI-II connected to the vehicle during the ECU upgrade procedure.
- DO NOT start the engine during ECU upgrade.
- DO NOT turn the ignition key 'OFF' or interrupt the power supply during ECU upgrade.
- When the ECU upgrade is completed, turn the ignition 'OFF' and wait 10 seconds before starting the engine.
- ONLY use approved ECU upgrade software designated for the correct model, year.


## * NOTICE

Before attempting an ECU upgrade on any Kia model, make sure to first determine whether the particular model is equipped with an immobilizer security system. Failure to follow proper procedures may cause the PCM to become inoperative after the upgrade and any claims associated with this repair may be subject to chargeback.

## ROM ID INFORMATION TABLE:

Upgrade Event \#367 (2.0T) \& \#373 (3.3T)

| Event | Model | Eng. | Trans. | TCU P/No. | ROM ID |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | Previous | New |
| 367 | CK RWD | 2.0T | 8AT Shift by Cable (SBC) | 9544147560 | TCK2T20NB0 | TCK2T20NB1 |
|  | CK AWD |  |  | 9544147620 | TCK4T20NB0 | TCK4T20NB1 |
| 373 | CK RWD | 3.37 |  | 95441 4J560 | TCK0T33NB0 TCK0T33NB1 | TCKOT33N10 |

To verify the vehicle is affected, be sure to check the Calibration Identification of the vehicle's ECM ROM ID and reference the Information Table as necessary.

## * NOTICE

Prior to performing the ECU upgrade, be sure to check that the KDS is fully charged.

1. Connect the $\mathrm{VCI}-\mathrm{II}$ to the OBD-II connector, located under the driver's side of the instrument panel.

## * NOTICE

The ECU upgrade function on KDS operates wirelessly. It is not necessary to perform the upgrade via USB cable.
2. With the ignition ON, turn ON the KDS tablet. Select KDS from the home screen.

3. Confirm communication with $\mathrm{VCl}(\mathrm{A})$ and then configure the vehicle (B) using the AUTO VIN (C) feature.

4. Select ECU Upgrade.

5. The KDS will check the server for recently uploaded Events and then automatically download Upgrade Event \#367 or \#373.

## * NOTICE

The vehicle must be identified in Vehicle Selection to download an Event for that vehicle.
6. Select Auto Mode.

7. Select the $\mathbf{A} / \mathbf{T}$ system under the System selection menu.

Touch ID Check (D) and confirm that the latest update is available.
Select Upgrade Event \#367 or \#373 and select Upgrade to continue.
8. The ECU upgrade will begin and the progress of the upgrade will appear on the bar graph. Upgrade part ( $1 / 2$ ) ( E ) will download the upgrade event to the VCl II. Upgrade part (2/2) (F) will upgrade the ECU.


| After the download is complete, the program will shut down to install. |
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| Please wait until the program restarts. |



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9. If a "Communication Fail" screen appears, verify that the VCI-II and KDS are communicating properly. Touch OK and restart the procedure from step 4.

## * NOTICE

If an error notice continues to appear or if the upgrade cannot be performed, contact Techline or GIT America Help Desk.

10. When instructed on the KDS, turn the ignition OFF for ten (10) seconds then back on. Touch OK to continue.
11. Once the upgrade is complete, touch OK to finalize the procedure.

13. Start the engine to confirm proper operation of the vehicle.

## Manual Upgrade Procedure:

## NOTICE

The manual upgrade should ONLY be performed if the automatic upgrade fails.
If the automatic upgrade fails, turn the ignition OFF for about 10 seconds then place it back in the ON position to reset the control unit BEFORE performing manual upgrade.

See table below for Manual Mode passwords.

Manual Mode ECU Upgrade Passwords

| Menu | Password |
| :--- | :---: |
| CK THETA 2.0T-GDI 8AT (2WD) :95441-47560 | 7560 |
| CK THETA 2.0T-GDI 8AT (4WD) :95441-47620 | 7620 |
| CK LAMBDA 3.3T-GDI (NA) $: 95441-4 J 560$ | 4560 |

1. Within the ECU Upgrade screen displayed, select Manual Mode.
2. Select the A/T system under the System selection menu. Select Upgrade Event \#367 or \#373 and select Upgrade to continue.
3. Select the appropriate control unit part number with reference to the ROM ID Information Table on page 2, and select OK.
4. Enter the appropriate password from the Manual Mode password table above and select OK.
5. The upgrade will begin and the progress of the upgrade will appear on the bar graph.
6. When instructed on the KDS, turn the ignition OFF for ten (10) seconds then back on. Touch OK to continue.
7. Once the upgrade is complete, touch OK to finalize the procedure.
8. When prompted, select YES to check for Diagnostic Trouble Codes (DTC) and erase any DTCs stored such as EPS, ESC, and TPMS that may have been set during the upgrade.
9. Start the engine to confirm proper operation of the vehicle.

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AFFECTED VEHICLE RANGE:

| Model | Production Date Range |
| :---: | :---: |
| Stinger (CK) 2.0T | September 29, 2017 through March 26, 2018 |
| Stinger (CK) 3.3T | September 29, 2017 through April 12, 2018 |

WARRANTY INFORMATION:
N Code: N99 C Code: C99

| Claim Type | Causal P/N | Qty. | Repair Description | Labor Op Code | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Op } \\ & \text { Time } \end{aligned}$ | Replacement P/N | Qty. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| V | 9544147560 | 0 | (SA341) 2.0T Transmission Logic Improvement | 180022R0 | $\begin{gathered} 0.3 \\ \mathrm{M} / \mathrm{H} \end{gathered}$ | N/A | 0 |
|  | 95441 4J560 |  | (SA341) 3.3T $\begin{aligned} & \text { Transmission } \\ & \text { Logic } \\ & \text { Improvement }\end{aligned}$ | 180022R1 | $\begin{gathered} 0.3 \\ \mathrm{M} / \mathrm{H} \end{gathered}$ |  |  |

## * NOTICE

VIN inquiry data for this repair is provided for tracking purposes only. Kia retailers should reference SA341 when accessing the WebDCS system.

