#### **Technical Bulletin**



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# 2013-2017 ALTIMA AND 2014-2017 ROGUE; WHINE NOISE FROM CVT AT HIGHWAY SPEEDS

This bulletin has been amended. See AMENDMENT HISTORY on the last page.

Discard all previous versions of this bulletin.

APPLIED VEHICLES: 2013-2017 Altima (L33)

2014-2017 Rogue (T32)

**APPLIED ENGINE:** QR25DE (4-cyl)

NOTE: Does not apply to Rogue Select, Rogue Sport, or Rogue Hybrid.

#### IF YOU CONFIRM:

A whine or grind type noise during acceleration and/or constant highway speeds.

The level of noise may increase as vehicle speed increases,

#### **AND**

There are no other drivability issues or stored DTCs related to the CVT assembly (CVT).

#### **ACTION:**

Refer to the **REPAIR FLOW CHART** on page 3 for repair procedure.

Refer to page 2 for information on required special tools.

**NOTE:** Parts Kit # 1 (see **PARTS INFORMATION**) must be available at the time the reduction gear bearing shim selection procedure, starting on page 11, is to be performed.

**IMPORTANT:** The purpose of **ACTION** (above) is to give you a quick idea of the work you will be performing. You MUST closely follow the <u>entire</u> **SERVICE PROCEDURE** as it contains information that is essential to successfully completing this repair.

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#### **Required Special Tools**

- J-50255 CVT Service Tool Kit: Includes Gauge Block J-50271,
   Digital Depth Gauge J-50272, Puller J-50273, and Race Installer J-50274
- J-51923 J-Hook
- J-50273-2 Puller Legs
- J-50818 Converter Seal Installer
- J-50393 CVT Case Differential Seal Installer
- J-50394 Converter Housing Differential Seal Installer
- J-8092 Driver Handle
- J-25721-A Slide Hammer
- J-50255-UPD Slide Hammer Bolt

These tools are considered "Essential" and have been previously sent to each dealer.

Additional tools and/or replacement parts can be ordered from TECH•MATE at 1-800-662-2001.

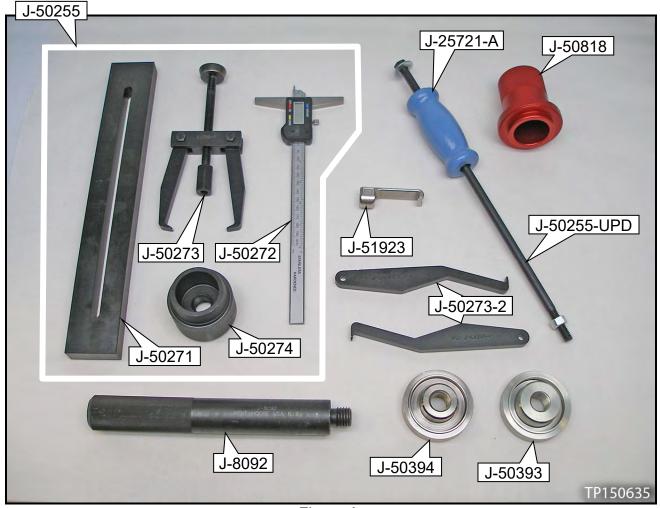
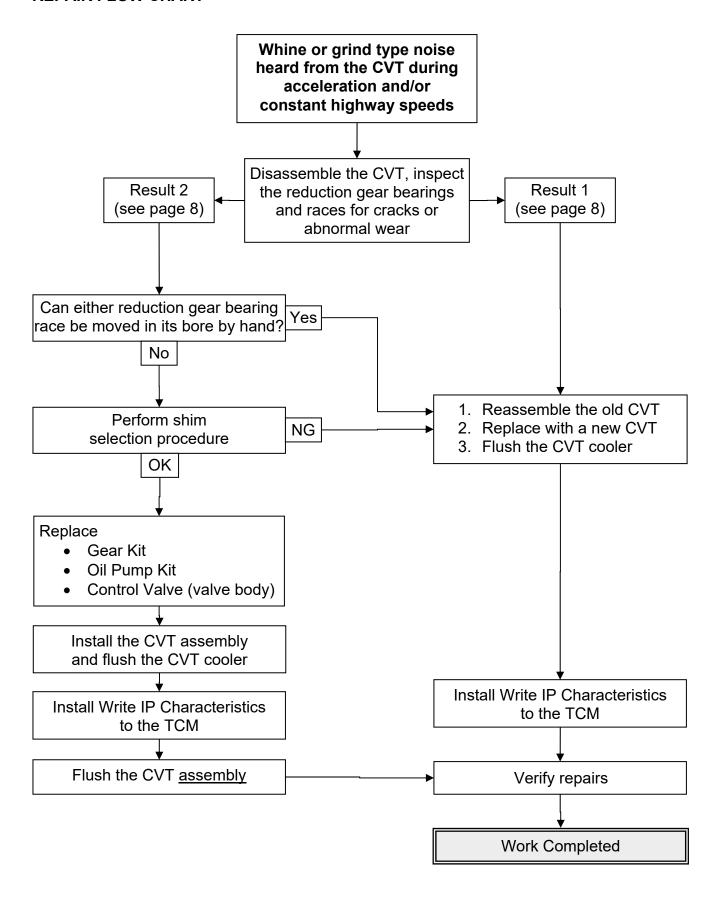


Figure A

#### REPAIR FLOW CHART



#### **SERVICE PROCEDURE**

#### **Disassemble CVT for Inspection**

#### PRECAUTIONS WHEN DISASSEMBLING A CVT ASSEMBLY

Transmissions are vulnerable to particles (dust, metal, lint, etc.).

- When disassembling a CVT, make sure your work environment (shop, workbench, etc.), the transmission area (sub-frame, oil pan, harness connector, etc.), and your hands are free of contamination.
- <u>Make sure all parts are clean prior to assembling / installing</u>. Unpack service parts just before installation.
- Only disassemble the parts which are mentioned in this bulletin.

**NOTE:** If metal debris is found <u>in the oil pan</u> during disassembly, this is OK. The CVT will be flushed after reassembly, or replaced.

1. Write down all radio station presets.

Presets	1	2	3	4	5	6
AM						
FM 1						
FM 2						
SAT 1						
SAT 2/3						
Bass	Treble	Bal	lance	Fade	Speed Sen.	Vol.

- 2. Disconnect both battery cables, negative cable first.
- 3. Remove the CVT from the vehicle.
  - Refer to the Electronic Service Manual (ESM), section TRANSMISSION &
    DRIVELINE > TM-Transaxle & Transmission > CVT: RE0F10D > UNIT REMOVAL
    AND INSTALLATION > TRANSAXLE ASSEMBLY > Removal and Installation.
    - For 2017 Rogue: Select the link "Removal and Installation (FWD or AWD)".
- 4. Place the CVT on a workbench, use wood or plastic blocks to keep the CVT steady.

**CAUTION:** The primary speed sensor may become damaged when handling the CVT. Be careful when handling the CVT (see Figure 1).



Figure 1

5. Remove all 23 converter housing mounting bolts (see Figure 2).

**NOTE:** These bolts will be replaced with new ones and will not be reused.

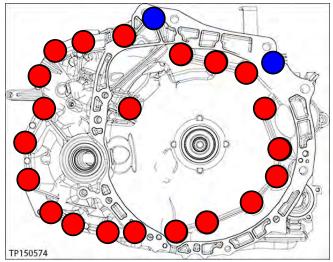
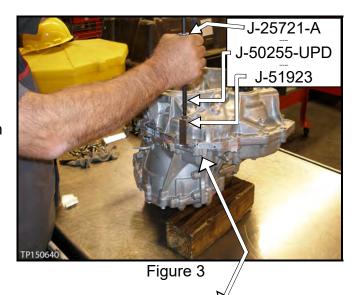


Figure 2

- 6. Separate and then remove the converter housing from the CVT case.
  - Use Slide Hammer J-25721-A and Slide Hammer Bolt J-50255-UPD with J-Hook J-51923 at the cutout areas similar to the one shown in Figures 3 and 4.

**CAUTION:** <u>Do not pry</u> between mating surfaces.



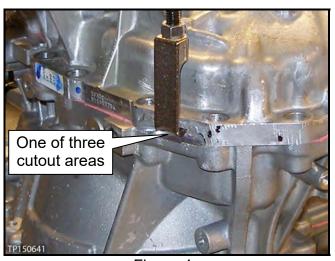


Figure 4

- 7. Remove the O-ring from the input shaft (see Figure 5).
  - This O-ring will be replaced with a new one.



Figure 5

8. Carefully remove the reduction gear assembly (see Figure 6).



Figure 6

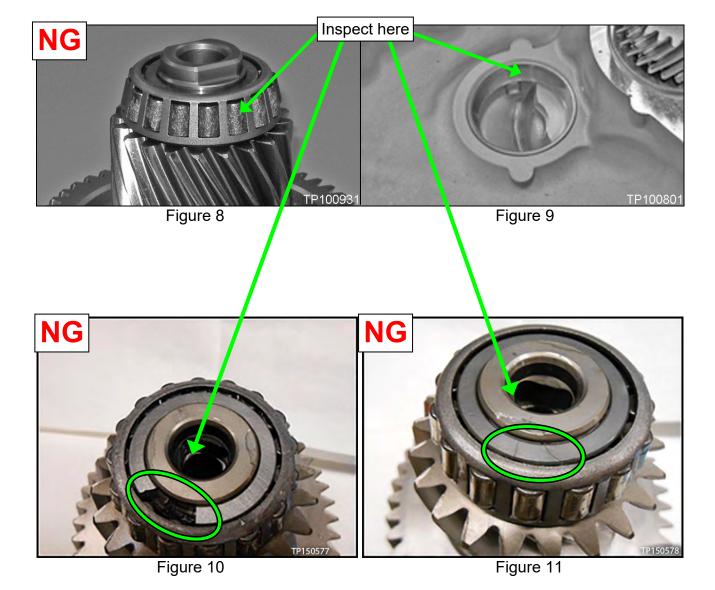
9. Carefully remove the differential assembly (see Figure 7).



Figure 7

# **Reduction Gear Bearing Inspection**

- 1. Visually inspect the outer races and rollers of the reduction gear's tapered bearings for damage.
  - Figures 8, 10, and 11 show examples of cracked and damaged rollers and races.
  - If no damage is found, or any wear or damage is found that is <u>not</u> similar to the "NG" examples below, go to step 2 on the next page.
  - If damage is found that is similar to the examples below, skip to step 3 on the next page.



- 2. Result 1: When no damage is found (or damage/wear <u>not</u> similar to the "**NG**" examples on page 7), replace the CVT.
  - a. Record a video of the outer bearings showing no or dissimilar damage (see page 46 for details).
  - b. Assemble the original CVT.
  - c. Replace the CVT.
    - To finish repairs, skip to page 46, Install CVT Assembly.

#### NOTE:

- CVT assembly flushing is not performed with replacement CVTs.
- The CVT <u>cooler(s)</u> is always flushed whether repairing or replacing the CVT.
   Refer to NTB15-013 for cooler cleaning procedure.
- 3. Result 2: If <u>similar damage is found</u>, inspect the fit of both reduction gear outer bearing races. Figure 12 shows the race in the CVT case.
  - a. Both races cannot be moved by hand: Go to Remove Reduction Gear Bearing Outer Races on the next page.
  - b. Either race can be moved by hand: Replace the CVT.
    - aa. Record a video of the outer bearing race that can be moved by hand (see page 46 for details).
    - bb. Assemble the original CVT.
    - cc. Replace the CVT.
      - > Skip to page 46, Install CVT Assembly.

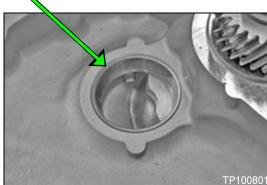


Figure 12

#### NOTE:

- CVT <u>assembly</u> flushing is not performed with replacement CVTs.
- Flushing the CVT cooler or coolers (if equipped) is <u>a requirement</u> whether repairing or replacing a CVT assembly. Refer to NTB15-013 for CVT cooler cleaning procedure.

#### **Remove Reduction Gear Bearing Outer Races**

- 1. Remove the reduction gear outer race from the converter housing (see Figure 13).
  - Use Slide Hammer J-25721-A with Slide Hammer Bolt J-50255-UPD to Puller J-50273 and Puller Legs J-50273-2 (see Figures 13 and 14).
  - Make sure the puller jaws grip under the races.



Figure 13

- 2. Remove the reduction gear outer race from the CVT case (see Figure 14).
  - Make sure the puller jaws grip under the races.

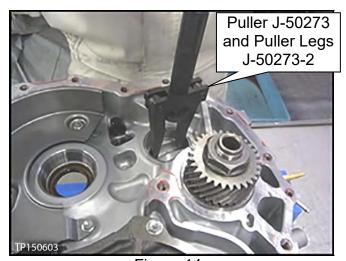


Figure 14

3. Remove any shims located behind the races (see Figure 15).

**NOTE:** The removed races and shim(s) will not be reused.

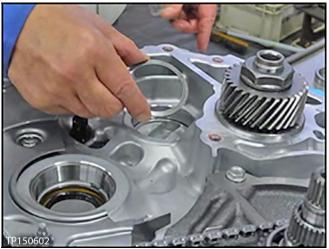


Figure 15

- 4. Thoroughly clean both bearing race bores.
- 5. Thoroughly clean off the end of the output speed sensor (see Figure 16).

After cleaning, go to the next page.

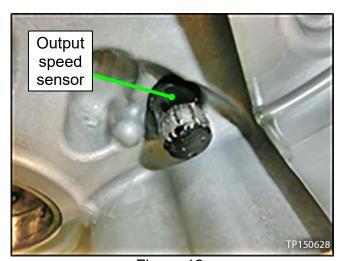


Figure 16

#### **Reduction Gear Bearing Shim Selection Procedure**

The following is a summary of how to select a shim with the correct thickness:

- (1) Measure the bearing outer race bore depth of the CVT case (Mc).
- (2) Measure the bearing outer race bore depth of the converter housing (Mh).
- (3) Read the reduction gear assembly height from the label attached to the new reduction gear assembly package.
- (4) Select a shim with the measurements above using the NTB15-102 Shim Calculator in CONSULT-III plus (C-III plus).

**NOTE:** CVT Service Tool Kit J-50255 and C-III plus are needed to perform the shim selection procedure.

- The Service Tool Kit's contents are shown on page 2.
- 1. First, calibrate Digital Depth Gauge J-50272. For step 1a 1d, refer to Figure 17.
  - a. Turn the depth gauge ON, set it to "mm" measurement.
  - b. Place the depth gauge's Datum level flush on top of Gauge Block J-50271.
  - c. Carefully slide the depth gauge down until it bottoms out on the gauge block.
  - d. With the depth gauge bottomed out, press the "ZERO" switch.
    - The depth gauge's display should now read 0.00 mm.

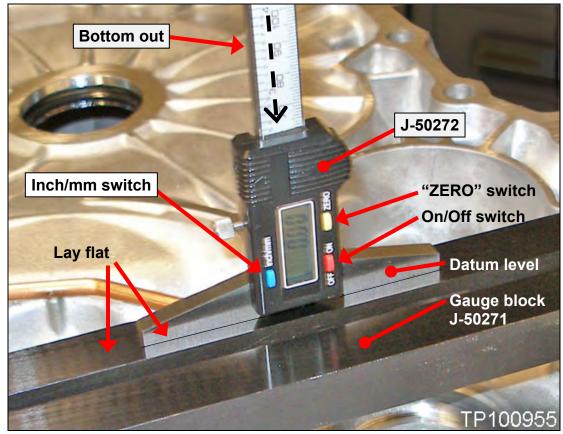


Figure 17

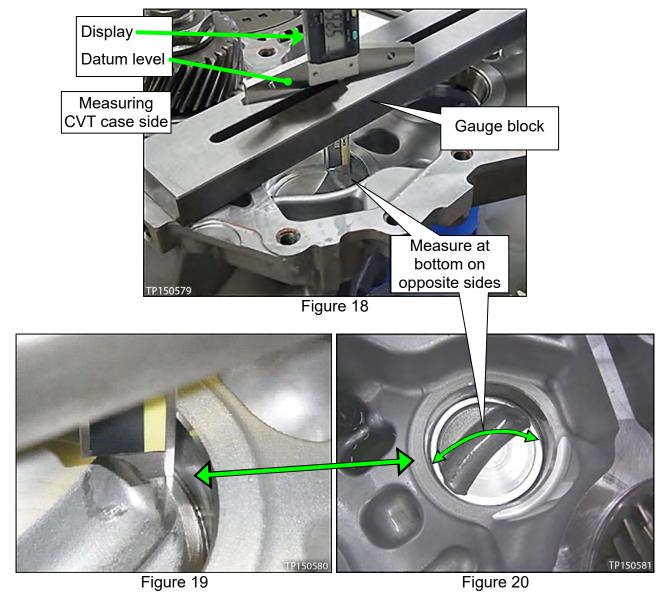
2. Thoroughly clean the mating surfaces of the CVT case.

**CAUTION:** Do **NOT** use sanding discs or similar abrasive tools. Use brake spray or equivalent solvent and lint-free towels <u>only</u>.

• Make sure the brake spray or solvents used are compatible with local regulations.

For steps 3-7, refer to Figures 18-20.

- 3. Position the gauge block over the outer race bore in the CVT case.
- 4. Position the depth gauge through the middle of the gauge block.
  - Make sure the depth gauge's Datum level is flush on top of the gauge block.
- 5. Carefully slide the depth gauge down until it bottoms out where the shim and race bottoms out.
- 6. Write down the value shown in the depth gauge's display.
- 7. Perform steps 5 and 6 on the opposite side of the race bore.



8. Subtract 20 mm from each measurement.

**EXAMPLE:** 70.8 mm and 70.0 mm are the measured values. Subtracting 20 mm from each value equals 50.8 mm and 50.0 mm, respectively.

#### NOTE:

- 20 mm is the thickness of the gauge block.
- All measurements are made in millimeters.
- 9. Add the two measurements, and then divide by two.
  - Write down the calculated value as "Mc".

**EXAMPLE:** 50.8 mm plus 50.0 mm equals 100.8 mm. 100.8 mm divided by 2 equals 50.4 mm Mc.

- 10. Perform steps 2-9 on the converter housing's outer race bore (see Figure 21).
  - Write down the calculated value as "Mh".

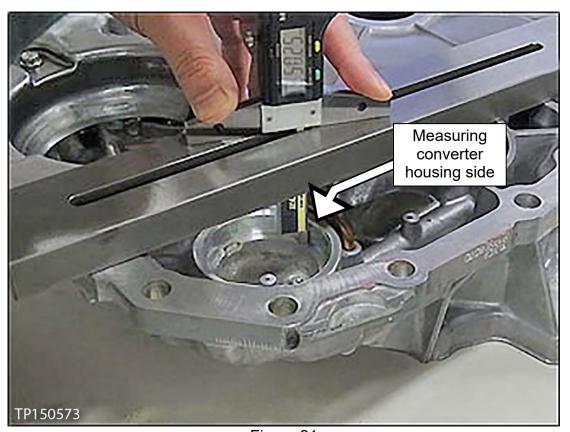
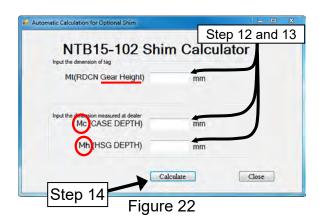


Figure 21

- 11. Open ASIST, and then go to
  ASIST>Specialty Tools>NTB15-102 Shim
  Calculator to access the calculation tool.
- 12. With the calculation tool displayed, input the measurement values in the correct boxes from page 13, steps 9 and 10 (see Figure 22).

**NOTE:** All measurements must be inputted in millimeters.

- 13. Input the height measurement of the reduction gear assembly (see Figure 22).
  - The measurement value is located on a label attached to the reduction gear's packaging (see Figure 23).
- 14. Click on Calculate (see Figure 22).
  - A shim part number will appear (see example in Figure 24).
- 15. Obtain or order this shim from your parts department.
  - If two (2) part numbers display, install one (1) shim of each part number.
  - All shims will be installed on the <u>CVT case side</u> later on during the assembly procedure.
  - Always restock the shim kit. This will assure these shims are immediately available for other future repairs.
- 16. If the window in Figure 25 appears:
  - a. Verify all measurements, calculations, and inputted values are correct, and then try the calculation again.
  - b. If the same message appears again, get a screen shot or photo of the message showing all measurements.
     Call the Powertrain Call Center (PCC) for the next step, and then attach the screen shot of the calculation to the PCC form.
- 17. If Figure 24 appeared, finish step 15, and then go to the next page.



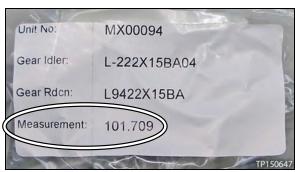


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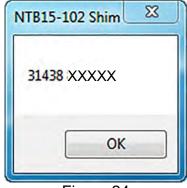


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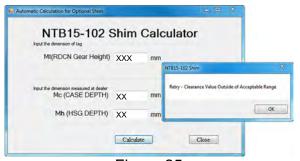


Figure 25

# Remove Control Valve Assembly (Valve Body)

- 1. Remove the 19 oil pan bolts, and then remove the CVT oil pan and gasket (see Figure 26).
  - Save the oil pan. It will be reused.
  - Save the oil pan bolts. They will be reused.
  - Save the magnets. They will be reused.
  - The oil pan gasket will be replaced with a new one.

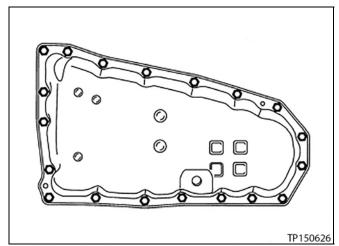


Figure 26

- 2. Remove the nut and lock washer to remove the manual plate (see Figure 27).
  - These parts will be reused.

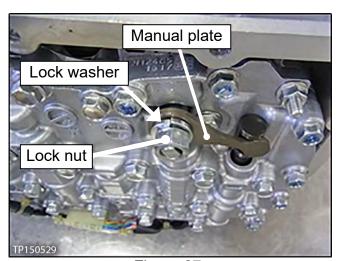
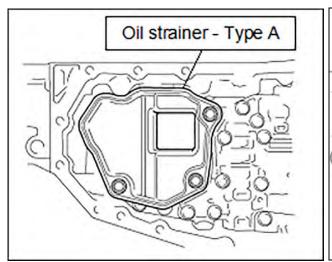


Figure 27

3. Remove the oil strainer mounting bolts, and then remove the oil strainer.

NOTE: There are two (2) types of oil strainers depending on the vehicle or model.



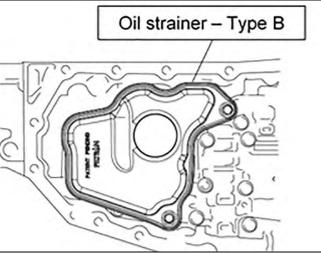


Figure 28

Figure 29

- Type A:
  - > 44 mm bolt one (1) piece
  - > 12 mm bolt two (2) pieces

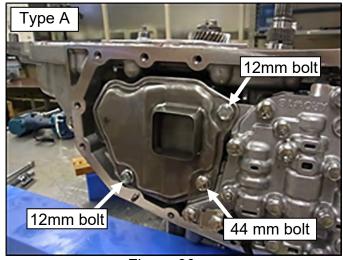


Figure 30

- Type B:
  - > 54 mm bolt two (2) pieces

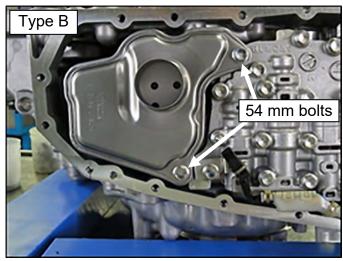


Figure 31

# 4. Type A only:

- a. Remove the two (2) 25 mm oil strainer bracket bolts, and then remove the oil strainer bracket (see Figure 32).
- b. Remove the two (2) 54 mm temperature sensor bracket bolts, and then remove the temperature sensor bracket (see Figure 29).

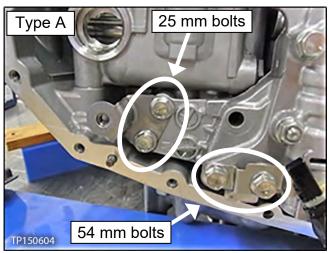


Figure 32

5. Type B only: Remove the two (2) 25 mm valve body mounting bolts, and then remove the 54 mm temperature sensor bracket bolt (see Figure 33).

**NOTE:** Type B does not have an oil strainer mounting bracket.

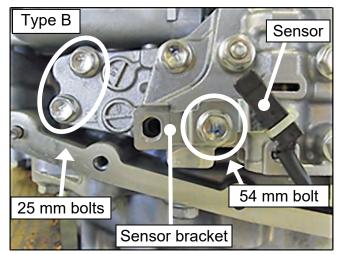


Figure 33

6. Disconnect the wiring harness connector (see Figure 34).

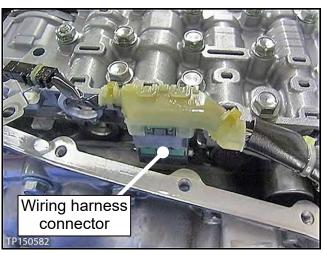


Figure 34

- 7. Remove the valve body mounting bolts, and then carefully remove the valve body (see Figure 35).
  - Type A:
    - > 54 mm bolt eight (8) pieces
    - > 44 mm bolt one (1) piece

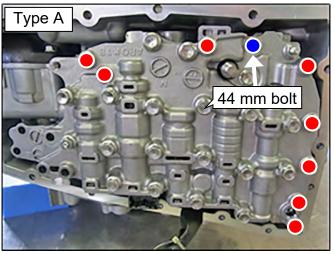


Figure 35

- Type B:
  - > 54 mm bolt seven (7) pieces
  - > 44 mm bolt two (2) piece

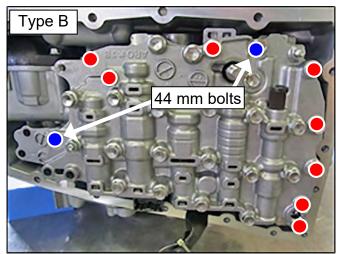


Figure 36

8. Carefully remove the lip seal (see Figure 37).



Figure 37

#### **Remove Oil Pump Assembly**

1. Remove the two (2) nuts, and then remove the first baffle plate (see Figure 38).

**CAUTION:** To avoid rounding off these nuts, it is best to use a 3/8 drive 6-pt 10 mm socket.

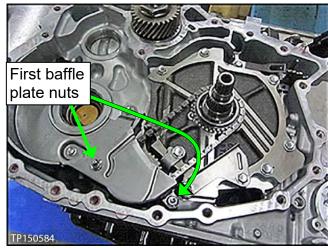


Figure 38

- 2. While spreading out the snap ring, remove as an assembly the driven and drive sprockets and oil pump chain (chain). See Figures 39 and 41.
- 3. Remove the thrust washer (see Figure 40).
  - The thrust washer will be reused.

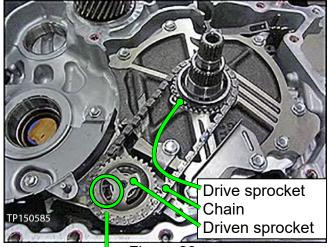


Figure 39



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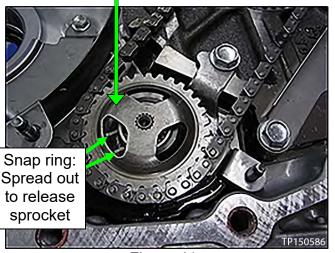


Figure 41

4. Remove the two (2) bolts, and then remove the "L" bracket (see Figure 42).

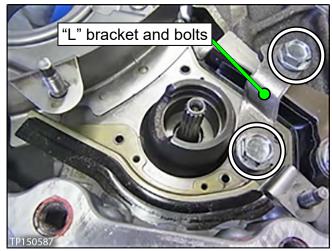


Figure 42

5. Remove the three (3) bolts, and then remove the second baffle plate (see Figure 43).

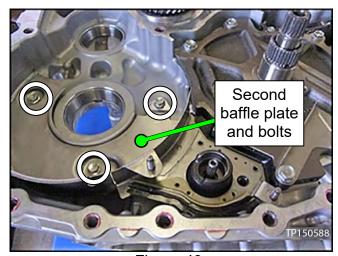


Figure 43

6. Remove the two (2) bolts, and then remove the third baffle plate (see Figure 44).

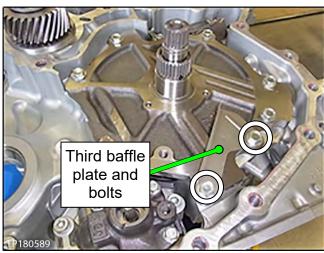


Figure 44

7. Remove the five (5) bolts, and then remove the oil pump cover (see Figure 45).

**CAUTION:** Be careful when removing and handling the oil pump cover. The lathe cut seals, installed on the bottom side, will be reused.

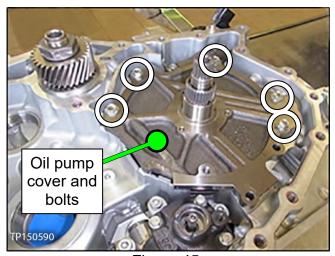


Figure 45

8. Remove the oil pump fitting bolt located above the left rear corner of the oil pan (see Figure 46).



Figure 46

9. Remove the three (3) Allen™ head bolts, and then remove the oil pump (see Figure 47).

#### NOTES:

- The Allen™ head bolts will be reused.
- The oil pump and snap ring will be replaced.

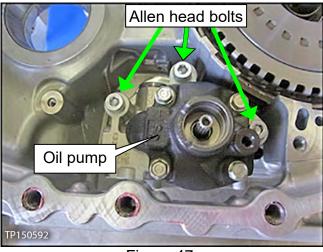


Figure 47

#### **Remove CVT Fluid Filter**

1. Remove the four (4) bolts, and then remove the CVT fluid filter cover (see Figure 48).

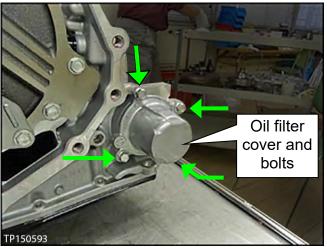


Figure 48

- 2. Remove the CVT fluid filter with grommet seal and O-ring seal (see Figure 49).
  - The filter and seal will be replaced with new ones.
  - Figure 49 does not show the grommet seal. It is fitted to the bottom end of the filter.

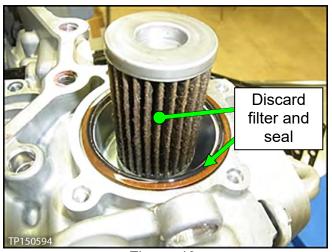


Figure 49

#### Clean Oil Passages in CVT Case, Oil Pump Cover, and CVT Filter Area

**NOTE:** In this section, brake spray or a suitable cleaning solvent and compressed air will be used to clean out oil passages in the CVT assembly. Make sure the brake spray or solvents used are compatible with local regulations.

**CAUTION:** Regulate air pressure up to a maximum of 75 PSI.

**WARNING:** Wear eye protection when using compressed air. Foreign debris or oil may enter your eyes.

- 1. Spray in all oil passages in the CVT case where shown in Figure 50.
- 2. Next, apply compressed air pressure in the same oil passages.

**NOTE:** Do not stand in front of the passages shown in Figure 51 during compressed air use.

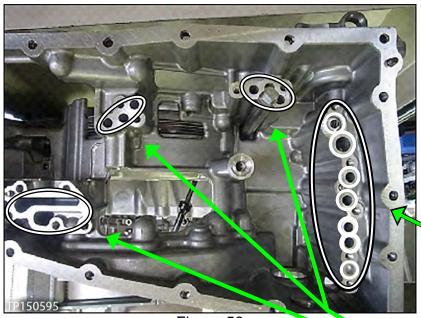


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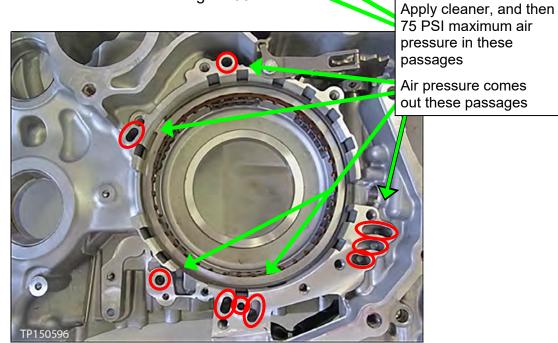


Figure 51

- 3. Clean the area where the CVT fluid filter fits (see Figure 52).
  - Make sure the old filter grommet seal is removed.

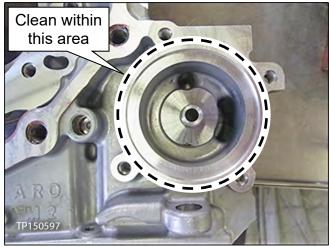


Figure 52

4. Remove the three (3) bolts, and then remove the baffle plate from the converter housing (see Figure 53).

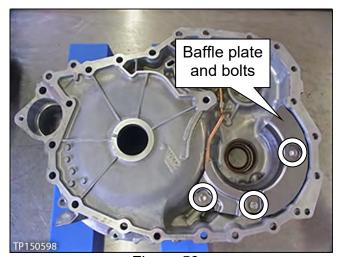


Figure 53

5. Remove the bolt, and then remove the lubrication tube and its bracket (see Figure 54).

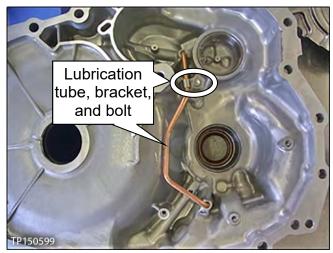


Figure 54

6. Clean out/spray in the oil passages in the converter housing and lubrication tube (see Figure 55 and 56).

**NOTE:** Do not stand in front of the passages shown in Figure 55 and 56 during compressed air use.

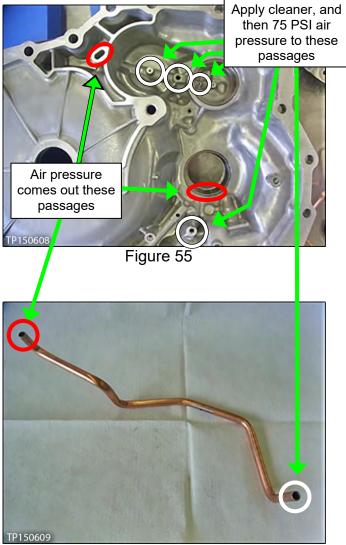


Figure 56

- 7. Install the lubrication tube and bracket (see Figure 57).
  - Bolt torque: 5.9 N•m (0.6 kg-m, 52 in-lb)

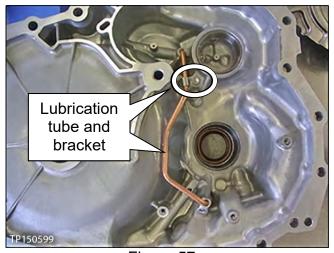


Figure 57

- 8. Install the baffle plate with three (3) bolts (see Figure 58).
  - Bolts torque: 5.9 N•m (0.6 kg-m,
     52 in-lb)

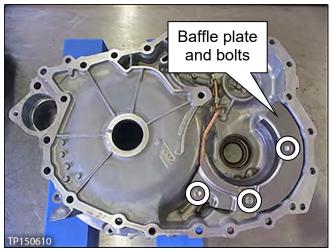
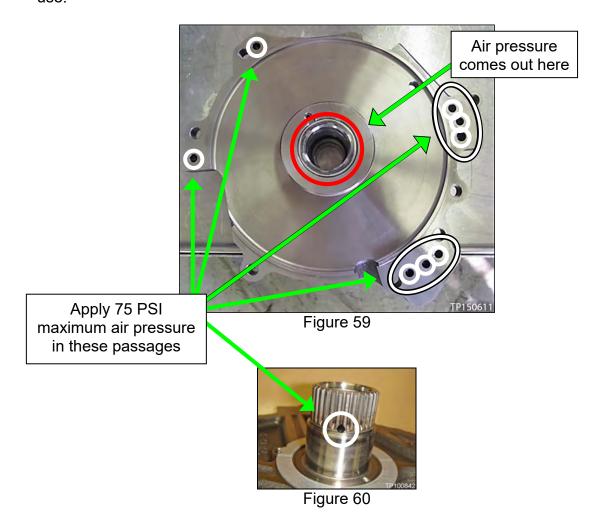


Figure 58

Clean out/spray in the oil pump cover oil passages where shown in Figure 59 and 60.
 NOTE: Do not stand in front of the passage shown in Figure 59 during compressed air use.



- Make sure all exposed internal areas of the CVT (including the oil pan and magnets) have been thoroughly cleaned.
- Keep all parts covered with a lint-free covering when repairs have stopped.

### **Reassemble CVT Assembly**

# Replace Both Differential Side Oil Seals and Torque Converter Seal

1. Remove the following seals using suitable tools:

**CAUTION:** Be careful not to damage the seal bore surfaces.

• CVT case (drive shaft) differential side oil seal (see Figure 61)

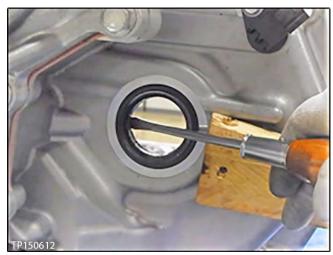


Figure 61

 Converter housing (drive shaft) differential side oil seal (see Figure 62)



Figure 62

• Torque converter seal (see Figure 63)



Figure 63

- 2. Install a new converter seal with Seal Installer J-50818 (see Figure 64).
  - The converter housing seal will be 0.5 mm below the bore's surface when the seal installer bottoms out.
  - Apply a light coat of CVT fluid to the converter seal's lip surfaces.



Figure 64

3. Do <u>not</u> install either differential side oil seal at this time. They are to be installed during step 13 (page 44).

**NOTE:** Both differential side oil seals are to be installed <u>after</u> the CVT has been completely assembled.

#### Install / Assemble CVT Internal Parts

- 1. Install the new select shim(s) in the <u>CVT case outer race bore</u> (see Figure 65).
  - Make sure the race bore is thoroughly clean before shim installation.

#### **CAUTION:**

- Never re-use an old shim.
- All new shims are to be installed in the CVT case outer race bore. Never install the new shim(s) in the converter housing race bore.



Figure 65

- 2. Install the new outer races using Race Installer J-50274 from Tool Kit J-50255, and Driver handle J-8092 (see Figure 66 and 67).
  - Make sure the bores are thoroughly clean before installing the races.
  - Make sure the races are fully seated.

**NOTE:** The tools shown in Figure 66 and 67 are similar but may not look exactly the same as J-50274 and J-8092.

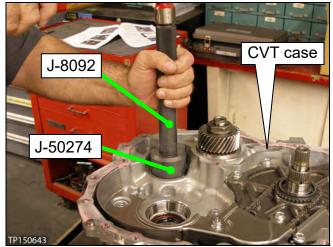


Figure 66

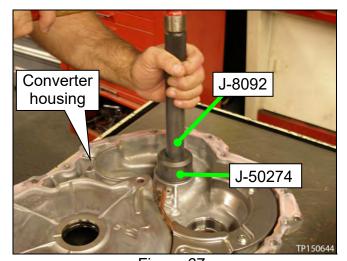


Figure 67

- Install the new oil pump using the three
   (3) Allen™ head bolts (see Figure 68).
  - Finger tighten the Allen<sup>™</sup> head bolts at this time.

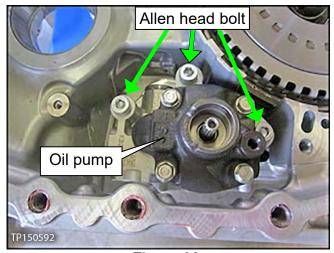


Figure 68

4. Put in place a new O-ring on the fitting bolt, and then coat it with CVT fluid (see Figure 69).



Figure 69

- 5. Install the oil pump fitting bolt finger tight (see Figure 70).
- 6. Torque the three (3) Allen™ head bolts and fitting bolt.
  - Allen<sup>™</sup> head bolts torque:
     17.6 20.6 N•m (1.79 2.1 kg-m,
     13.0 15.2 ft lb)
  - Fitting bolt torque: 26.0 30.0 N•m (2.65 3.06 kg-m, **19.2 22.1 ft lb**)

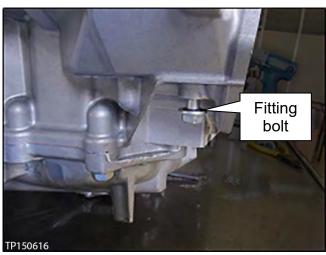


Figure 70

7. Apply petroleum jelly or equivalent to the oil pump cover's lathe cut seals (see Figure 71).

**NOTE:** The existing seals are being reused. They are not being replaced.



Figure 71

- 8. Install the oil pump cover and third baffle plate with related bolts finger tight (see Figure 72).
  - Do not force the oil pump cover in place.
  - Make sure the oil pump cover is fully seated before installing the bolts.
  - Do not torque these bolts at this time.

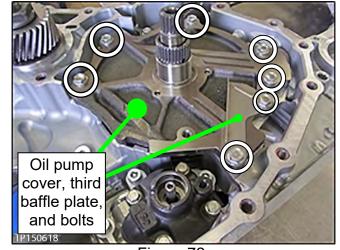


Figure 72

- 9. Install finger tight the second baffle plate and "L" bracket with related bolts (see Figure 73).
- 10. Torque the bolts in step 8 and 9 in the following order:
  - a. Second baffle plate bolts: 5.9 N•m (0.6 kg-m, **52.2 in lb**)
  - b. "L" bracket bolts: 25.5 N•m (2.6 kg-m, **19 ft lb**). Torque **1**, and then **2**.
  - c. Oil pump cover and third baffle plate bolts torque: 19.0 20.6 N•m (1.9 kg-m, **14 ft lb**)

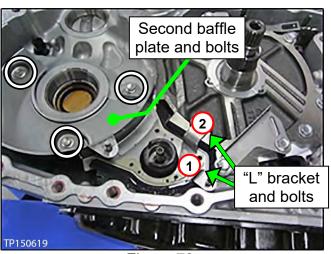
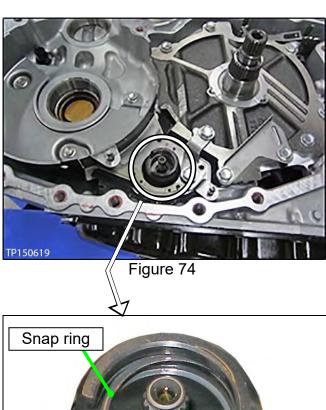


Figure 73

11. Install a new snap ring in the new oil pump (see Figure 74 and 75).



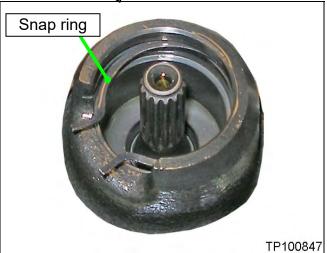


Figure 75

- 12. Install the existing thrust washer onto the oil pump cover (see Figure 76).
  - Use petroleum jelly or equivalent to hold the thrust washer in place.
  - Make sure the tabs fit into the holes.

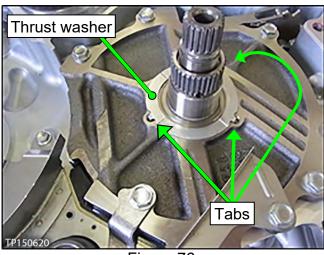


Figure 76

13. Install the drive sprocket, driven sprocket, and chain as an assembly (see Figures 77-79).

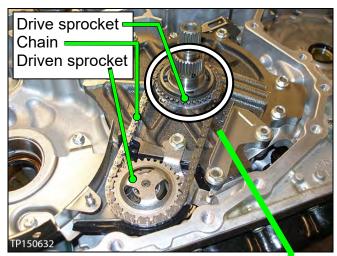


Figure 77

 Make sure the raised edge on the drive sprocket is facing up (see Figure 78).

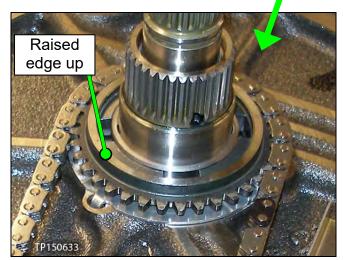


Figure 78

- 14. Expand the snap ring with a suitable tool, and then push down on the driven sprocket until it bottoms out (see Figure 79).
- 15. Release the snap ring, and then pull up on the driven sprocket until the snap ring snaps and locks in its groove.

**NOTE:** A click sound is heard when the snap ring locks in place.

**CAUTION:** Make sure the driven sprocket is locked in place.

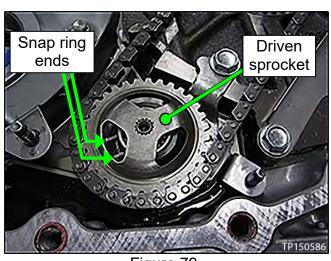


Figure 79

- 16. Install the first baffle plate with related nuts (see Figure 80).
  - Nuts torque: 5.9 N•m (0.6 kg-m,
     52.2 in lb)

**CAUTION:** To avoid rounding off these nuts, it is best to use a 3/8 drive 6-pt 10 mm socket.

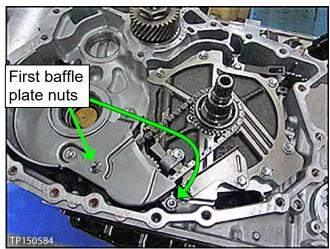


Figure 80

- 17. Install a new O-ring on the input shaft (see Figure 81).
  - Apply CVT fluid to the O-ring and O-ring groove before installing.

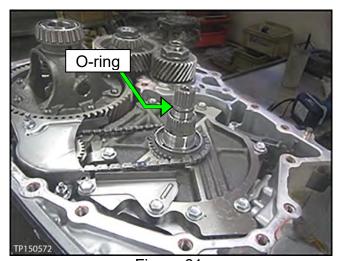


Figure 81

- 18. Install the differential assembly into the CVT case (see Figure 82).
  - Thoroughly clean the differential assembly before installing.
  - Oil the bearings and gear teeth with CVT fluid before installing.

**CAUTION:** Be careful not to damage gear teeth and bearings when fitting the differential assembly in place.



Figure 82

- 19. Install the new reduction gear assembly into the CVT case (see Figure 83).
  - Make sure the reduction gear assembly is thoroughly clean before installing.
  - Oil the bearings and gear teeth with CVT fluid before installing.

**CAUTION:** Be careful not to damage gear teeth and bearings when fitting the reduction gear assembly in place.



Figure 83

#### Install CVT Fluid Filter and Filter cover

- 1. Install a new filter with grommet seal and new O-ring (see Figure 84).
  - Make sure the areas where the filter and O-ring fit are thoroughly clean.
  - Apply CVT fluid to the grommet seal and O-ring before installing.
  - Figure 78 does not show the grommet seal. It is fitted to the bottom side of the filter.

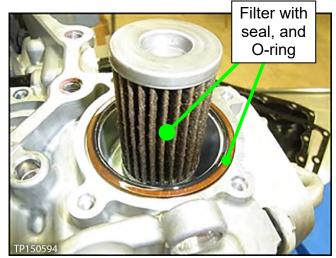


Figure 84

- 2. Install the filter cover (see Figure 85).
  - Make sure the filter cover is thoroughly clean on the inside before installing.
  - Filter cover bolts torque: 4.2 N•m
     (0.43 Kg-m, 37.2 in lb)

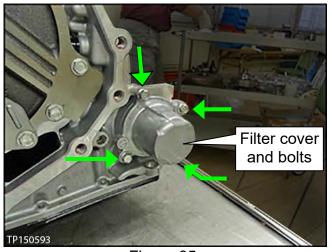


Figure 85

## **Install Converter Housing to CVT Case**

#### **IMPORTANT:**

Have the converter housing ready for installation prior to applying sealant.

Before sealant application, make sure the mating surfaces are clean from oil, dirt, old sealant, etc.

**CAUTION:** Do **NOT** use sanding discs or similar abrasive tools. Use brake spray or equivalent solvent and lint-free towels <u>only</u>.

- Make sure the brake spray or solvents used are compatible with local regulations.
- 1. Apply one continuous 2.0 mm (0.08 inches) diameter bead of pink colored Loctite 5460 Sealant or equivalent (see footnote (4) and (6) in PARTS INFORMATION) as shown in Figure 86.

#### NOTE:

• Start applying sealant where shown, making sure that the starting point and the ending point are about the middle between the bolt holes.

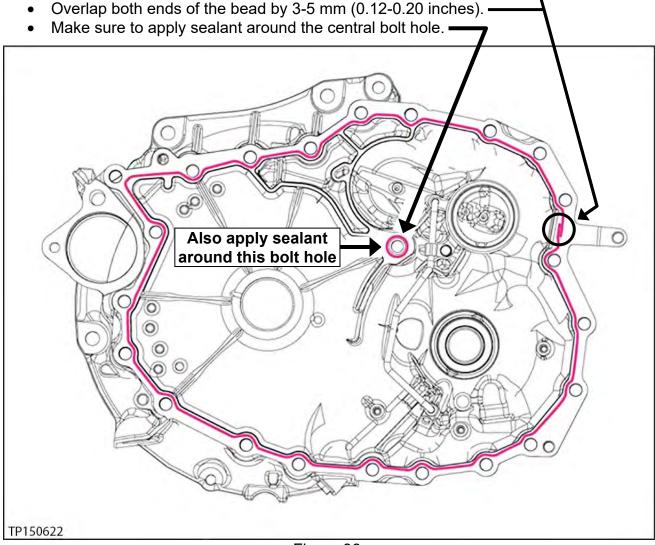


Figure 86

- 2. Install the converter housing onto the CVT case:
  - Install new bolts from the parts kit.
  - a. Torque the first six (6) bolts with symbol oin numbered sequence (see Figure 87).
  - b. Torque the remaining bolts with symbol on numbered sequence (see Figure 87).
    - Use a short socket on the bolts indicated by this symbol:
    - > All bolts are 30 mm in length.
    - > Bolts torque: 45.0 N•m (4.6 kg-m, **33.2 ft lb**)

**IMPORTANT:** Make sure to torque the bolts in the sequence shown in Figure 87 <u>ONLY</u>.

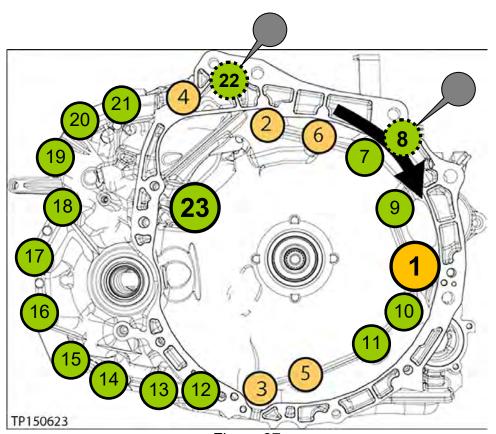


Figure 87

### Install New Control Valve Assembly (Valve Body) and Miscellaneous

#### IMPORTANT:

- Installation steps in this bulletin may contain different style parts than what were originally installed in the CVT. Pay careful attention, REASSEMBLY MAY NOT BE IDENTICAL TO DISASSEMBLY.
- Confirm that the QR label, valve body, and CD part numbers all match before installing the valve body (refer to NTB12-103).
- For additional information, see video # 547: "CVT Belt and Pulley Replacement" and TRAINING GARAGE VIDEOS tab in Virtual Academy.

**CAUTION:** Handle the valve body carefully.

**NOTE:** If an oil strainer bracket was removed, discard it. An oil strainer bracket will not be used with the new oil strainer.



Figure 88

- 1. Install a new lip seal (see Figure 89).
  - Do NOT reuse the old lip seal.
  - Apply a small amount of petroleum jelly or equivalent to the lip seal to keep it in place on the CVT.

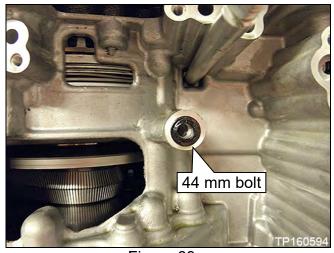


Figure 89

- 2. Install the valve body with eleven (11) mounting bolts (see Figure 90).
  - 54 mm (2.125 inches) bolt (●) seven
     (7) pieces
  - 44 mm (1.73 inches) bolt (•) two (2) pieces
  - 25 mm (1 inch) bolt (•) two (2) pieces
  - All valve body mounting bolts torque:
     7.9 N•m (0.81 kg-m, 70 in lbs)

**IMPORTANT:** Leave the four (four) marked bolt holes (♠♠) blank at this step.

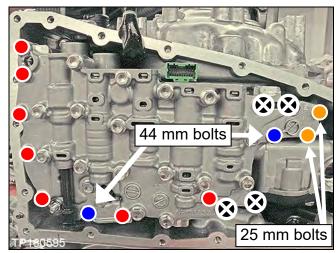


Figure 90

### **CAUTION:**

- Make sure the wiring harness does not get pinched (see Figures 91 and 92 for correct routing).
- The two (2) 25 mm bolts are installed <u>WITHOUT</u> the oil strainer bracket.

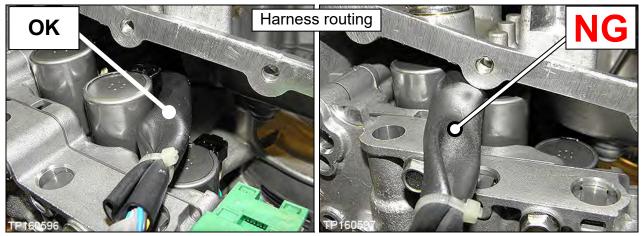


Figure 91 Figure 92

3. Replace the metal bracket of the fluid temperature sensor as follows:

**NOTE:** The new bracket will be oriented the same way as the old bracket.

- a. Cut the zip tie with a suitable cutting tool.
- b. Remove and discard the metal bracket and zip tie.
- c. Attach the fluid temperature sensor to the new metal bracket with a new zip tie (see **PARTS INFORMATION**).

#### **IMPORTANT:**

- Locate the zip tie on the fluid temperature sensor as shown in Figure 94.
  - Make sure the zip tie lock is configured as shown in Figure 93.
- Tighten the zip tie as shown in Figure 93 and 94.
- d. Cut off the excess end of the zip tie.

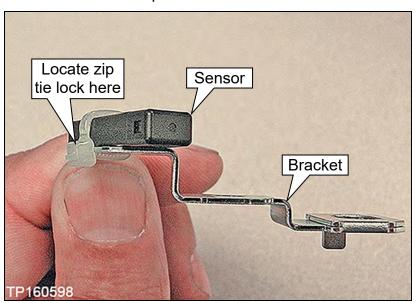


Figure 93

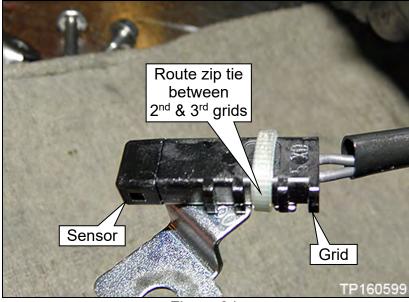


Figure 94

4. Connect the electrical harness connector (see Figure 95).

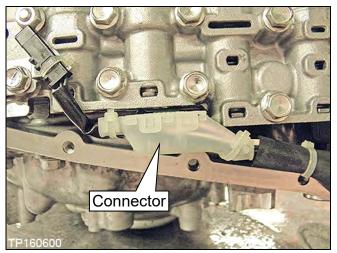


Figure 95

5. Install the CVT fluid temperature sensor bracket to the valve body with one (1) 54 mm (2.125 inches) bolt. See Figure 96.

**NOTE:** Leave the one (1) bolt hole empty as it will be used to secure the oil strainer during the next step (see Figure 96).

 Fluid temperature sensor bracket bolt torque: 7.9 N•m (0.81 kg-m, 70 in lbs)

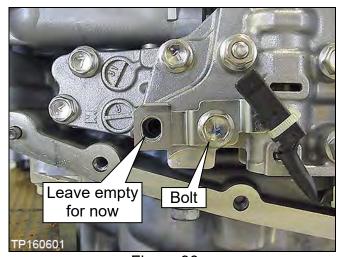


Figure 96

 Install the new oil strainer and O-ring seal with two (2) 54 mm (2.125 inches) bolts. See Figure 97.

**NOTE:** The new oil strainer may have a different shape than the original one.

• Oil strainer bolts torque: 7.9 N•m (0.81 kg-m, **70 in lbs**)

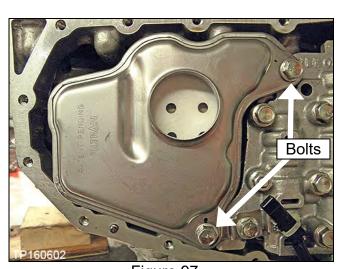


Figure 97

7. Install the manual plate, lock washer, and nut (see Figure 98).

**NOTE:** Make sure the manual plate fits into the slot of the manual valve before applying torque to the nut.

- Reuse the existing manual plate, lock washer, and nut.
- Nut torque:
   22.1 N•m (2.3 kg-m, 16 ft lbs)



Figure 98

- 8. Clean the original oil pan and magnets with a suitable cleaner.
  - Visible debris cannot not be present during reassembly.
- 9. Reassemble the original magnets to the original oil pan.

**NOTE:** Return the magnets to their original positions.

- 10. Install the original oil pan with a new oil pan gasket.
- 11. Install the oil pan bolts (see Figure 99).
  - Reuse the existing oil pan bolts.
    - Oil pan bolts torque:7.9 N•m (0.81 kg-m, **70 in lbs**)
    - Torque the oil pan bolts in the sequence shown in Figure 99.

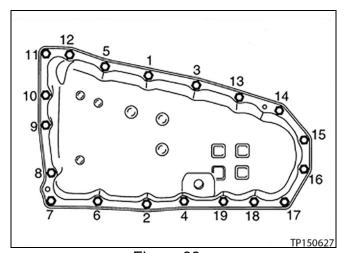


Figure 99

- 12. Install the drain plug with the old drain plug gasket.
  - Do not torque the drain plug to specifications, but tighten it enough to not leak during the CVT flushing procedure (see page 47).

- 13. Install both differential (drive shaft) side oil seals. See Figure 100 and 101.
  - Apply a light coat of CVT fluid to the seal's lip surfaces.
  - For the converter housing side, use Seal Installer J-50394 and Driver Handle J-8092 (see Figure 90).

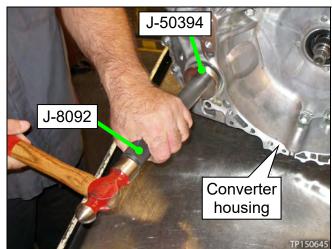


Figure 100

 For CVT case side, use Seal Installer J-50393 and Driver handle J-8092 (see Figure 91).

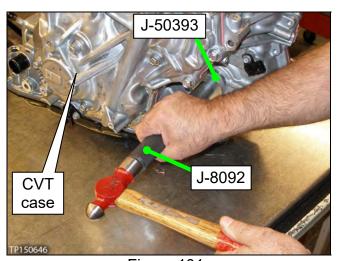
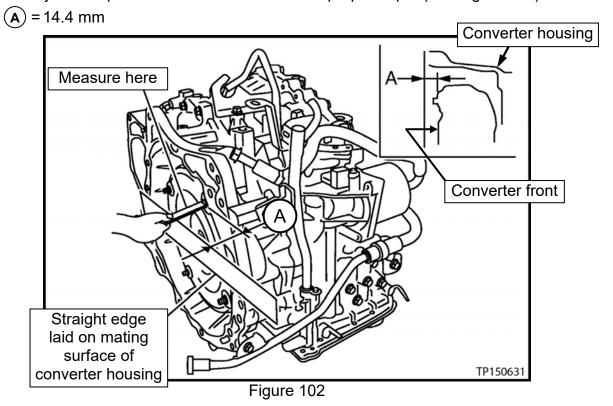


Figure 101

14. Install the torque converter.

• Verify the torque converter is installed at the proper depth (see Figure 102).



- 15. Attach the QR label with the new calibration data onto the transmission range switch (inhibitor switch).
  - See Figures 103 and 104 below.
  - A QR Label and CD-R are included with the new valve body.

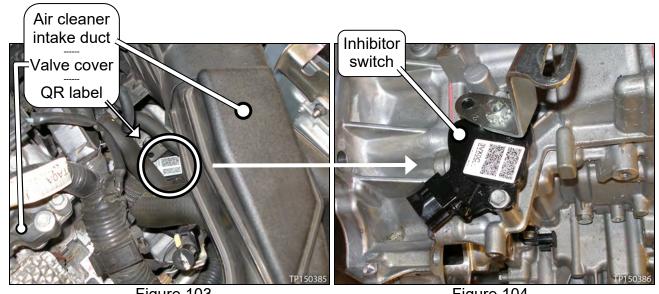


Figure 103 Figure 104

16. Install the CVT assembly (go to the next page).

### **Install CVT Assembly**

**NOTE:** When installing a replacement (new) CVT assembly, follow the **IMPORTANT** statement below.

**IMPORTANT:** Record a video (15 seconds maximum) of the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) on the F.M.V.S.S. certification label (VIN label) <u>and</u> either no or dissimilar damage to the reduction gear bearings (page 8, step 2a) or the outer bearing race that can be moved by hand (page 8, step 3b). Attach the video to the CVT Pre-Authorization Form.

- The video should show no or dissimilar damage to the reduction gear bearings or the movement of the race by hand (whichever applies).
- The VIN label is located on the bottom of the driver side "B" pillar just inside the driver door.
- 1. Install the CVT in the vehicle.
  - Refer to the ESM, section TRANSMISSION & DRIVELINE > TM-Transaxle & Transmission > CVT: RE0F10D > UNIT REMOVAL AND INSTALLATION > TRANSAXLE ASSEMBLY > Removal and Installation.
    - For 2017 Rogue: Select the link "Removal and Installation (FWD or AWD)".
- 2. **IMPORTANT:** Flush the CVT cooler.
  - Flushing the CVT cooler or coolers (if equipped) is <u>a requirement</u> whether repairing or replacing a CVT assembly. Refer to NTB15-013 for CVT cooler cleaning procedure.
- 3. Connect both battery cables, negative cable last.
- 4. Reset / initialize all applied systems, e.g., radio, power windows, clock, sunroof, etc.
  - Refer to the ESM, section ELECTRICAL POWER & CONTROL > POWER SUPPLY, GROUND & CIRCUIT ELEMENTS > BASIC INSPECTION > INSPECTION AND ADJUSTMENT > ADDITIONAL SERVICE WHEN REMOVING BATTERY NEGATIVE TERMINAL > Special Repair Requirement, after reconnecting the 12 V battery.
- 5. **IMPORTANT:** Install Write IP Characteristics to the TCM.
  - Refer to the ESM, section Transaxle & Transmission > RE0F10D > BASIC INSPECTION > ADDITIONAL SERVICE WHEN REPLACING TRANSAXLE ASSEMBLY > Work Procedure.
- 6. For repaired CVTs only: Perform **Flush CVT Assembly** on the next page.
  - Check for fluid leakage.
  - For replacement CVTs only: Do not perform a CVT flush. Go to step 7.
- 7. Verify the CVT operates normally and no abnormal noises are heard during a test drive.
  - Vehicle repair is now complete.

## Flush CVT Assembly, Verify Repairs

CAUTION: <u>DO NOT USE</u> any aftermarket transmission flushing equipment. For CVT flushing, use <u>ONLY</u> the procedure below.

- 1. Top off the fluid level with up to four (4) quarts Nissan NS-3 CVT fluid or equivalent. See **PARTS INFORMATION**, footnotes (3) and (7).
  - Add as necessary.
- 2. With the vehicle still lifted on the hoist (wheels off the ground), run the engine in Drive for five (5) minutes at idle speed.
- 3. During step 2, verify no abnormal noise is coming from the CVT.

**IMPORTANT:** In the next step, the wheels must be braked gradually to a stop to allow proper CVT "downshift" ratio change. If this step is not performed properly, the CVT may start in an incorrect ratio.

4. After five (5) minutes, gradually brake the wheels to a stop, put in Park, turn the engine OFF, and then drain and properly discard the CVT fluid.

**WARNING:** CVT fluid will be HOT. Serious burns may occur.

- 5. Reinstall the drain plug.
- 6. Repeat steps 1-5.
- 7. After performing step 6, fill / top off with CVT fluid for the last time.
  - Refer to the ESM, section TRANSMISSION & DRIVELINE > TRANSAXLE & TRANSMISSION > RE0F10D > CVT: RE0F10D > PERIODIC MAINTENANCE > CVT FLUID, for CVT fluid filling.
  - When installing the drain plug for the last time, use a new drain plug gasket.
    - Drain plug torque: 34.3 N•m (3.5 kg-m, 25.3 ft lb)
  - Fluid filler plug torque: 10.0 N•m (1.0 kg-m, 89 in lb)
- 8. Verify the CVT operates normally and no abnormal noises are heard during a test drive.
  - Vehicle repair is now complete.

#### PARTS INFORMATION

DESCRIPTION	PART #	QUANTITY
CVT ASSEMBLY	(1)	1 (2)
GEAR ASSY-REDUCTION PINION (Kit # 1) (2013-2017 Altima)	31490-3VX9A	1
GEAR ASSY-REDUCTION PINION (Kit # 1) (2014-2016 Rogue 2WD & 2014-2017 AWD)	31490-3VX9C	1
GEAR ASSY-REDUCTION PINION (Kit #1) (2017 Rogue 2WD)	31490-3VX9B	1
PUMP ASSY-OIL (Kit # 2)	31340-28X8A	1
SHIM ADJUST (Kit # 3)	31499-28X8A	(5)
VALVE ASSY KIT-CONTROL (valve body)	3170E-28X0B	1
Valve Assembly Kit-Control includes:		
VALVE ASSEMBLY-CONTROL (8)		1
STRAINER ASSY-OIL AUTO TRANS		1
GASKET-OIL PAN		1
BRACKET (for temperature sensor)		1
BAND (zip tie for sensor bracket)		1
SEAL-LIP		1
SEAL, O-RING (fluid filler plug gasket)		1
Nissan NS-3 CVT Fluid (3) (7)	999MP-NS300P	As needed
Loctite 5460 Sealant (3)	999MP-LT5460P	(4) (6)
WASHER-DRAIN (for drain plug)	11026-JA00A	1

- (1) Refer to your electronic parts catalog for the correct part number.
- (2) The CVT is to be replaced only when the existing CVT cannot be repaired.
- (3) Nissan NS-3 CVT Fluid and Loctite 5460 Sealant can be ordered through the Nissan Maintenance Advantage program: Phone: 877-NIS-NMA1 (877-647-6621) or Website: Order via link on dealer portal <a href="www.NNAnet.com">www.NNAnet.com</a> and click on the "Maintenance Advantage" link.
- (4) One container of Loctite 5460 Sealant is good for approximately 10 repairs.
- (5) Shim Adjust Kit # 3 is for dealer stock **only**. Shim Adjust Kit # 3 contains an assortment of shims that are commonly required to make this repair. Charge out the individual shim(s) needed for each repair <u>only</u>. Reorder only the shim(s) replaced as it is not necessary to reorder Shim Adjust Kit # 3.
- **(6)** Bill out Loctite 5460 Sealant under **expense code 008**. <u>Do not include</u> the Loctite 5460 Sealant part number on the claim.
- (7) For warranty repairs, Nissan NS-3 CVT Fluid <u>must</u> be used. For customer pay repairs, Nissan NS-3 CVT Fluid or an equivalent is recommended.
- (8) Includes QR label and CD-R.

Go to the next page for shim part numbers.

DESCRIPTION	PART #: 31438-	QTY	DESCRIPTION	PART #: 31499-	QTY
	8E000 *	*		28X0A	
	8E001 *		** SHIM ADJUST (shim)	28X0B	
	8E002 *			28X0C	
	8E003 *			28X0D	
	8E004 *	**		28X0E	
	8E005 *			28X1A	
	8E006 *			28X1B	
	8E007 *			28X1C	
	8E008 *			28X1D *	
SHIM ADJUST	8E009 *			28X1E *	**
(shim)	8E010			28X2A *	
	8E011			28X2B *	
	8E012			28X2C *	
	8E013			28X2D *	
	8E014			28X2E *	
	8E015			28X3A *	
	8E016			28X3B *	
	8E017			28X3C *	
	-			28X3D *	

<sup>\*</sup> These individual shims are not included in Shim Adjust Kit # 3 and must be ordered separately. They are seldom used and are not stocked in large quantities at Nissan Parts Distribution Centers (PDC). For these reasons, it is not necessary nor recommended to order these shims for dealer stock.

<sup>\*\*</sup> As needed.

#### **CLAIMS INFORMATION**

### If CVT Assembly is replaced

# Submit a Primary Part (PP) type line claim using the following claims coding:

DESCRIPTION	PFP	OP CODE	SYM	DIA	FRT
CVT R&R		JD01AA		(2)	
		JD023A			(2)
CVT Trouble diagnosis		JX22AA	ZE	32	0.5
Inspect bearing - No bearing damage	damage				0.5

- (1) Reference the Electronic Parts Catalog (EPC) and use the CVT assembly part number for the vehicle being repaired as the Primary Failed Part.
- (2) Reference the current Nissan Warranty Flat Rate Manual and use the indicated Flat Rate Time.

#### Or

# If reduction bearing is replaced

## Submit a Primary Part (PP) type line claim using the following claims coding:

DESCRIPTION	PFP	OP CODE	SYM	DIA	FRT
CVT R&R		JD01AA JD023A			(2)
CVT Trouble diagnosis		JX22AA			0.5
Inspect Bearing and replace reduction gear assembly-Altima	uction gear assembly-Altima uspect Bearing and replace  JX42AA		ZE   32	2.9	
Inspect Bearing and replace reduction gear assembly-Rogue				3.0	

- (1) Reference the Electronic Parts Catalog (EPC) and use the CVT assembly part number for the vehicle being repaired as the Primary Failed Part.
- (2) Reference the current Nissan Warranty Flat Rate Manual and use the indicated Flat Rate Time.

### **Expense code:**

EXPENSE CODE	DESCRIPTION	MAX AMOUNT
800	Sealant	\$6.23

# **AMENDMENT HISTORY**

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