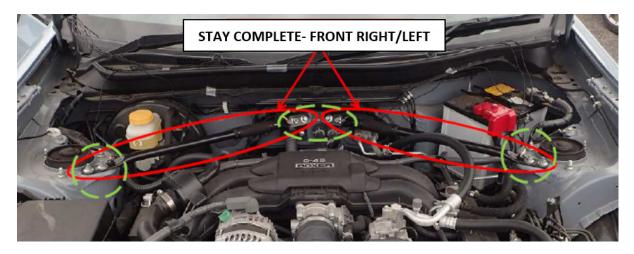
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APPLICABILITY:	2020MY BRZts / Tuned by STI Model	NUMBER:	05-74-20
SUBJECT:	Knocking -Type Sound from Engine Compartment	DATE:	04/30/20

INTRODUCTION:

This bulletin provides a service procedure to address a small number of customer concerns regarding a knocking -type sound coming from the engine compartment when going over bumps at low speed. The sound is a result of foreign material trapped between the attachment surfaces of both stays and the toe board bracket and strut tower. The stays are identified in the red call-outs below and the mounting points in green.



PART INFORMATION:

Description	Part Number		
FLANGE NUT M8	902370062		
FLANGE BOLT 8X25	901000404		

NOTE: These flange nuts (3 per stay) and flange bolts (1 per stay) are all **one-time use** items and MUST be replaced once they have been removed.

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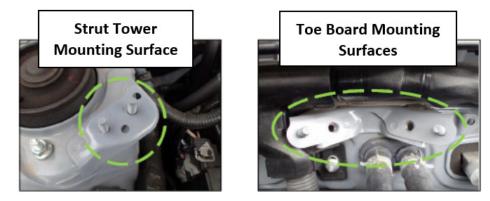
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SERVICE PROCEDURE / INFORMATION:

REMINDER: Customer satisfaction and retention starts with performing quality repairs.

- 1) Road test the vehicle to confirm the customer's concern.
- 2) If the condition is confirmed, remove the stays and road test again to determine if the condition still exists.
 - If the sound persists, the root cause is elsewhere. The strut mount(s) would be the next component to investigate.
 - If the sound is gone, proceed to **3**).
- 3) Remove both stays and discard the removed hardware.
- 4) Thoroughly clean both the mounting surfaces of the stays and the corresponding mounting surfaces on the strut towers and toe board mounting bracket as shown below. Use a mild solvent on a clean shop cloth and allow to thoroughly dry before reassembly.



- 5) Reassemble in reverse order using new hardware. Torque all of the new flange nuts and bolts to 16 Nm (11.8 ft. lbs.).
- 6) Road test the vehicle again to confirm the repair.

WARRANTY / CLAIM INFORMATION:

For vehicles within the Basic New Car Limited Warranty period, this repair may be submitted using the following claim information:

Labor Description	Labor Operation #	Labor Time	Fail Code	
UPPER STRUT BRACE, ONE OR BOTH R&R	A611-463	0.4	NCQ-25	

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