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# Service Bulletin

## PRELIMINARY INFORMATION

Subject: Coolant Smell and/or Slight Leak at Radiator

Models: 2015-2016 Cadillac Escalade Models

2014 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 (Plant Code G\*) (without RPO NHT - Max Towing Pkg)

2014 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 (Plant Code F\*, Z\*) 2015-2016 Chevrolet Silverado, Suburban, Tahoe

2014 GMC Sierra (Plant Code G\*) (without RPO NHT - Max Towing Pkg)

2014 GMC Sierra 1500 (Plant Code F\*, Z\*)

2015-2016 GMC Sierra, Sierra Denali, Yukon Models, Yukon Denali Models

Equipped with 4.3L, 5.3L or 6.2L Engine (RPOs LV1, LV3, L83 or L86)

2016 models: SOP to 15 Nov 2015

\*For Build Plant Information See 11th Position of VIN

Attention: This PI also applies to any of the above models that may be Export from North America vehicles.

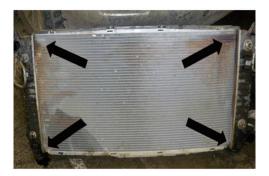
This PI has been revised to add the L83 and L86 labor time in the Warranty Information section. Please discard PI1513F.

#### Condition/Concern

Some customers may comment that they may smell coolant while driving or outside the truck. This could include a coolant leak under the front of the truck.

#### Recommendation/Instructions

Technicians should start by inspecting the radiator for signs of leaks. Normally, signs of leaks can be found where the tubes attach to the headers.





This condition may be the result of excessive thermocycles within the cooling system caused by excessive cycling of the thermostat. These excessive thermocycles within the coolant system may cause the tubes to fatigue, crack and leak at the radiator headers. To correct this condition, a new thermostat has been designed that eliminates the thermostats excessive cycling.

If this condition is found, in addition to replacing the radiator, the engine coolant thermostat housing (w/thermostat) must also be replaced. Refer to Engine Coolant Thermostat Housing Replacement in SI, which is located in the Engine Heating and Cooling section.

#### **Parts Information**

Causal Part	Description	Part Number	Qty
X	RADIATOR ASM	Refer to the electronic Parts Catalog (EPC), Group 01, for radiator parts information	1
N/A	OUTLET, W/PMP (W/THERMOSTAT)	12674639	1
N/A	RETAINER, TRANS FLUID CLR PIPE FTG	24205103	3
N/A	ENGINE COOLANT	12346290 (US)	3
		10953464 (Canada)	

### **Warranty Information**

For vehicles repaired under the Powertrain coverage, use the following labor operation. Reference the Applicable Warranties section of Investigate Vehicle History (IVH) for coverage information.

<b>Labor Operation</b>	Description	Engine	Labor Time
4080838*	Replace Radiator and Thermostat	LV1, LV3	5.2 hrs (Truck)
			4.7 hrs (SUV)
		L83, L86	1.4 hrs (Truck, SUV)
Add	Diagnostic Time	All	0.3 hrs
Add	With Transmission Cooler	L83, L86	0.6 hrs

<sup>\*</sup>This is a unique Labor Operation for Bulletin use only.

**Note:** For the condition covered in this bulletin, the causal part is the thermostat. Radiator replacement for this condition must include replacement of the thermostat and both covered under the terms of the Powertrain Limited Warranty.

Additional Keywords: Odor

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