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SUBJECT:

Flash: Powertrain Control Module (PCM) Updates

OVERVIEW:

This bulletin involves reprogramming the Powertrain Control Module (PCM) with the latest available software.

MODELS:

| 2018 | (LA) | Dodge Challenger |
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| 2018 | (LD) | Dodge Charger |

- NOTE: This bulletin applies to vehicles within the following markets/countries: North America, LATAM, APAC and EMEA.
- NOTE: This bulletin applies to vehicles equipped with a 6.2L Supercharged HEMI V8 SRT Engine (Sales Code ESD).

SYMPTOM/CONDITION:

** A small number of customers may experience a Malfunction Indicator Lamp (MIL) illumination. Upon further investigation the technician may find the following (DTC).

• P050B - Cold Start Ignition Timing Performance.**

Customers may experience one or both of the following:

- A long crank time during engine start.
- Air Conditioning (A/C) clutch is intermittently not engaging when cruise control is activated.

DIAGNOSIS:

Using a Scan Tool (wiTECH) with the appropriate Diagnostic Procedures available in DealerCONNECT/Service Library, verify all related systems are functioning as designed. If DTCs or symptom conditions, other than the ones listed above are present, record the issues on the repair order and repair as necessary before proceeding further with this bulletin.

If the customer describes the symptom/condition listed above or if the technician finds the DTC, perform the Repair Procedure.

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REPAIR PROCEDURE:

- NOTE: Install a battery charger to ensure battery voltage does not drop below 13.2 volts. Do not allow the charging voltage to climb above 13.5 volts during the flash process.
- NOTE: If this flash process is interrupted/aborted, the flash should be restarted.
- NOTE: **The Transmission Control Module (TCM) must be updated to the latest available software at the conclusion of this repair procedure. Refer to all applicable published service bulletins for detailed repair procedures and labor times regarding updating the TCM software.**
- 1. Reprogram the PCM with the latest available software. Detailed instructions for flashing control modules using the wiTECH Diagnostic Application are available by selecting the application's "HELP" tab.
- 2. Clear any DTCs that may have been set in any modules due to reprogramming. The wiTECH application will automatically present all DTCs after the flash and allow them to be cleared.
- **Verify the TCM is programmed with the latest available software. Refer to all applicable published service bulletins for detailed repair procedures and labor times regarding updating the TCM software.**

POLICY:

Reimbursable within the provisions of the warranty.

TIME ALLOWANCE:

| Labor Operation No: | Description | Skill Category | Amount |
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| **18-19-06-EM | Module, Powertrain Control (PCM) - Reprogram (0 - Introduction) | 1 - Engine Repair and Performance | 0.3 Hrs.** |

NOTE: The expected completion time for the flash download portion of this procedure is approximately 6 minutes. Actual flash download times may be affected by vehicle connection and network capabilities.

FAILURE CODE:

The dealer must use failure code CC with this Service Bulletin.

- If the customer's concern matches the SYMPTOM/CONDITION identified in the Service Bulletin, failure code CC is to be used.
- When utilizing this failure code the 3C's (customer's concern, cause and correction) must be provided for processing Service Bulletin flash/reprogramming conditions.

| CC Customer Concern |
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