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SUBJECT:

Flash: Transmission Control Module (TCM) Updates

OVERVIEW:

This bulletin involves reprogramming the TCM with the latest available software.

MODELS:

**2020	(DD)	RAM 3500 Cab Chassis
2020	(DP)	RAM 4500/5500 Cab Chassis**
2020	(D2)	RAM 3500 Pickup

- NOTE: This bulletin applies to vehicles within the following markets/countries: North America.
- NOTE: This bulletin applies to vehicles equipped with an 6.7L I6 Cummins Turbo Diesel Engine (Sales Codes ETL, **ETM and ETN**) or a **6.4L V8 Heavy Duty Hemi Engine (Sales Code ESB)** and an 6-SPD Auto Aisin AS69RC HD Transmission (Sales Codes DF2 **and DF3**).

SYMPTOM/CONDITION:

Customers may comment on one or more of the following:

- **When decelerating from a 1 to 2 gear shift, the vehicle may have a harsh shift.
- From a 1 to 2 gear change there may be a perceived bump feeling, while having a light pedal (Sales Codes ETL and ETN Only).
- A harsh shift from a 2 to 3 gear shift while at almost or wide open throttle.
- A harsh shift from a 3 to 4 shift and heavy on the pedal, lifting off the pedal, then back on the pedal again.
- While coasting down a grade, an abrupt deceleration may be felt.
- A clunk heard when shifting from park to reverse or drive.
- Cold engine flare during a shift.
- A delay when coasting down, vehicle is in a downshift at low speeds and then trying to accelerate. (The vehicle will have a hesitation as the vehicle tries to change gears to accommodate the new pedal demand).
- Excessive shifting (DD and DP Only).
- Engine flare caused by the transmission releasing the clutch too early during a 1 to 2 shift.**
- Poor shift quality.
- Shift or gear hunting.

DIAGNOSIS:

If the customer describes the symptom/condition listed above, perform the Repair Procedure.

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.

- 1. Reprogram the TCM 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 Diagnostic Trouble Codes (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.

POLICY:

Reimbursable within the provisions of the warranty.

TIME ALLOWANCE:

Labor Operation No:	Description	Skill Category	Amount
18-19-05-RG	Module, Transmission Control (TCM) - Reprogram (0 - Introduction)	2 - Automatic Trans- mission	0.3 Hrs.

NOTE: The expected completion time for the flash download portion of this procedure is approximately 5 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 Technical Service Bulletin.

- If the customer's concern matches the SYMPTOM/CONDITION identified in the Technical 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 Technical Service Bulletin flash/reprogramming conditions.

CC	Customer Concern
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