2004 - 2008 Cadillac XLR: Service Bulletin: Rear Axle Clunk and/or Chatter Type Noise on Turns

Subject: Rear Axle Clunk and/or Chatter Type Noise on Turns (Drain/Refill Rear Differential Fluid) #07-04-20-002A - (01/09/2008)

Models: 2004 - 2008 Cadillac XLR (Including V-Series and Export) 2005 - 2008 Chevrolet Corvette (Including Z06 and Export)

This bulletin is being revised to change the fluid recommendation and to remove the requirement of adding friction modifier.

Condition

Some customers may comment on a clunk and/or chatter type noise from the rear of the vehicle while making turns.

Cause

This condition may be caused by slip/stick of the posi-traction clutch plates due to insufficient limited-slip axle additive. As plates slip and stick, a jumping or jerking feel occurs accompanied by a clunk noise.

Correction

Important: DO NOT remove the differential cover from the rear or the two sides. It is not necessary to flush the old fluid from the differential.

Drain and refill the rear differential fluid

2004-2005 XLR (Including Export) and 2005 Corvette (Non Export) 1.72 liters 1.85 quarts

2006-2008 XLR (Including V-Series and Export) and 2006-2008 Corvette

(Non Z06)(Non Export)2.0 liters2.11 quarts

2005 Corvette Export 1.88 liters 1.99 quarts

2006-2008 Corvette Export (Non Z06) 2.16 liters 2.28 quarts

2006-2008 Corvette Z06 2.75 liters 2.91 quarts

Parts Information - Part Number - Description

88862624 (US-1 Quart)

88862625 (Canada-1 Liter) DEXRON® LS Gear Oil

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89021677 (89021678 In Canada) Synthetic Axle Lubricant Quantity: 2 (3 for Z06 and Export)

1052358 (992694 In Canada) Limited-Slip Axle Additive Quantity: 2 TIP: Before adding the limited-slip axle additive, the bottle MUST be shaken vigorously for at least 1 minute to mix the additive thoroughly, then immediately poured into the differential.

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