

V8 XJ Series/XK

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# **TECHNICAL BULLETIN**

Check Engine MIL - DTC P0121 Flagged – Connector Material Mismatch – AJ27 Engines – Modify Harness MODEL

1999-2001 MY XK Range 1999-2001 MY V8 XJ Series

VIN

031303-A22860 853936-F40117

#### Issue:

On some 1999-2001 XK and XJ vehicles within the above VIN ranges, with AJ-27 engines, Diagnostic Trouble Code (DTC) P0121 (Throttle Position Signal) may be present. A possible cause is a mismatch of electrical connector terminal materials between the Throttle Position Sensor (TPS) and the wiring harness electrical connector (gold terminals on the TPS and tin terminals on the wiring harness).

#### Action:

For 1999 MY vehicles, also refer to Technical Bulletin 303-S498, Service Action S498.

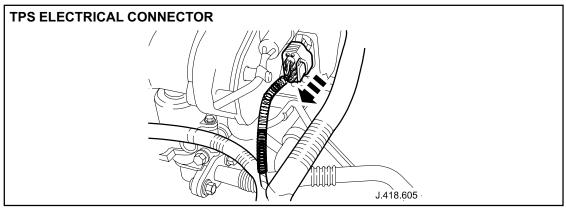
On a customer complaint basis only, install new gold terminals into the TPS wiring harness electrical connector as follows:

#### HARNESS MODIFICATION PROCEDURE

- 1. Record customer preferences as described in Technical Bulletin 414-01. Remove battery cover and disconnect battery.
- 2. Open hood and fit fender protectors.
- 3. On XK Series vehicles:
  - Remove induction elbow to throttle housing securing screws.
  - Disconnect induction elbow from throttle housing and reposition for access.

### On V8 XJ Series vehicles:

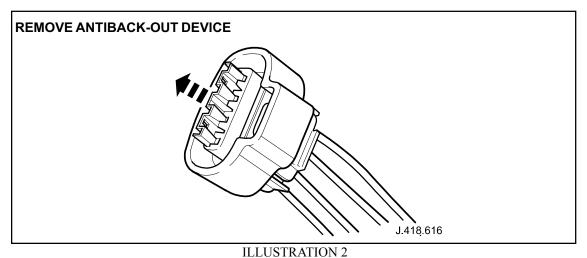
- Remove left and right hand bulkhead covers.
- Remove engine compartment rear cover.
- Remove nut securing engine harness main electrical connector to support bracket.
- Reposition main electrical connector upwards.
- 4. On all vehicles, disconnect TPS electrical connector (Illustration 1).



**ILLUSTRATION 1** 

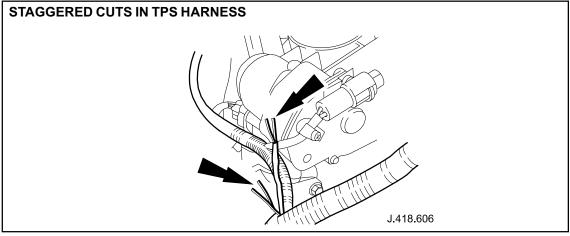


- 5. Reposition TPS electrical connector upwards for access.
- 6. Remove tape from convoluted sleeve.
- 7. Remove and discard convoluted sleeve from wiring harness.
- 8. Remove electrical tape from wiring harness.
- 9. Note position of wires in TPS electrical connector.
- 10. Displace and remove anti-back-out device from TPS electrical connector (Illustration 2).



- ILLUSTRATION 2
- 11. Remove the existing tin-plated terminals from the TPS electrical connector.
- 12. Cut and remove existing tin-plated electrical terminals/wires (Illustration 3).

**Note:** Make sure to stagger the cuts to allow installation of the convoluted sleeve after modification.



**ILLUSTRATION 3** 

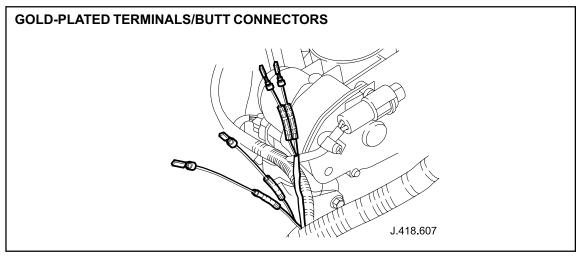
- 13. Strip back electrical wire insulation.
- 14. Cut gold terminated cables to required length.

**Note:** TPS wiring harness is to be same length as original after service repair.

- 15. Strip back electrical wire insulation from terminated cable ends.
- 16. Secure butt splice connectors from harness repair kit to terminated cable ends.

**Note:** Refer to the harness repair guide to determine the correct butt-splice connectors.

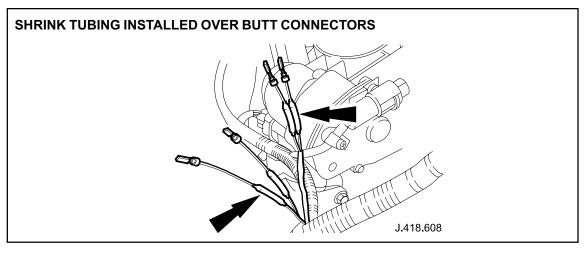
17. Secure butt-splice connectors/terminated cables to existing wires (Illustration 4).



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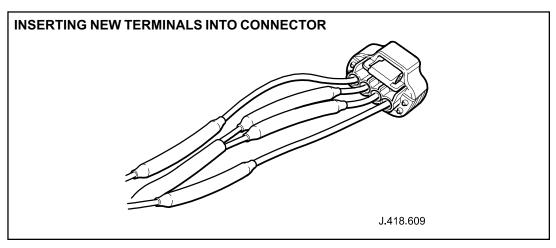
18. In turn, install heat-shrink tubing from harness repair kit over butt-splice connectors, using suitable heat source (Illustration 5).

**Note:** Refer to the harness repair guide to determine the correct heat-shrink tubing.



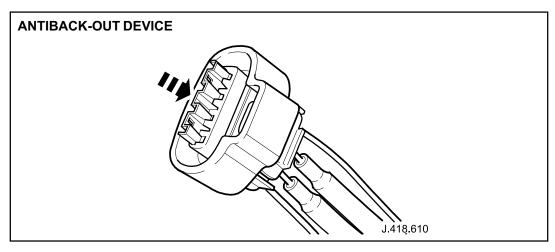
**ILLUSTRATION 5** 

19. Install gold plated electrical terminals (into positions noted at step 9) into TPS electrical connector (Illustration 6).



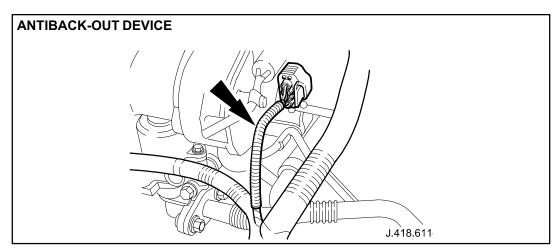
**ILLUSTRATION 6** 

20. Install anti-back-out device to TPS electrical connector (Illustration 7).



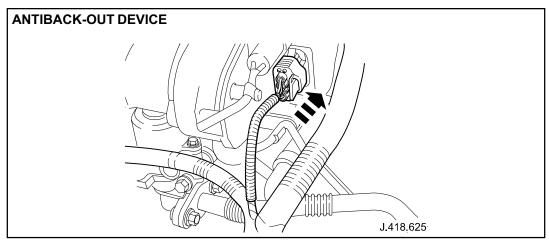
**ILLUSTRATION 7** 

21. Install new convoluted sleeve around TPS wiring harness and secure using suitable electrical tape (Illustration 8).



**ILLUSTRATION 8** 

22. Install TPS electrical connector (Illustration 9).



**ILLUSTRATION 9** 

## 23. On XK Series vehicles:

- Install induction elbow to throttle housing.
- Install and tighten induction elbow to throttle housing securing screws.

### On V8 XJ Series vehicles:

- Reposition main engine harness electrical connector and align with support bracket.
- Tighten nut securing the engine harness main electrical connector to the support bracket.
- Install engine compartment rear cover.
- Install left and right hand bulkhead covers.
- 24. On all vehicles.
- 25. Connect battery and install battery cover.
- 26. Close luggage compartment.
- 27. Connect Worldwide Diagnostic System (WDS) to vehicle and clear DTC P0121.
- 28. Remove fender protector covers and close hood.

# **Parts Information:**

DESCRIPTION	PART NUMBER	QTY
Convoluted tube	LST 6754AA	1
Gold terminated cable	LNG 3956AA	4

# **Warranty Information:**

Warranty claims should be submitted quoting the information found in the table below. This will result in payment of the stated time and, where applicable parts/miscellaneous expense codes as listed.

Description	SRO	Time	Causal Part Number	Causal Part Description
Install gold terminals on throttle position sensor harness-XK Series	86.93.05	1.0 hrs.	LNG 3956AA	Gold-terminated cable
Install gold terminals on throttle position sensor harness-V8 XJ Series	86.93.05	1.1 hrs.	LNG 3956AA	Gold-terminated cable

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