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Brand:	Model:	Model Y	Model Year: VIN:		IN:	Engine:	Transmissi	
		from	to	from	to		on:	
Cadillac	CTS-V	2016 - 2019		All	All	6.2L LT4	All	
Cadillac	Escalade	2015-2020		All	All	6.2L L86	All	
Cadillac	Escalade	2021		All	All	6.2L L87	All	
Chevrolet	Camaro	2016-2021		All	A11	6.2L LT1 LT4	All	
Chevrolet	Corvette	2014 - 2019		All	A11	6.2L LT1 LT4 LT5	All	
Chevrolet	Corvette	2020 - 2021		All	All	6.2L LT2	All	
Chevrolet	Silverado LD	2014-2019		All	All	4.3L LV3 5.3L L83 6.2L L86	All	
Chevrolet	Silverado (New Model)	2019-2021		All	All	5.3L L82 L84 6.2L L87	All	
Chevrolet	Suburban	2015-2020		All	All	5.3L L83	All	
Chevrolet	Suburban	2021		All	All	5.3L L84 6.2L L87	All	
Chevrolet	Tahoe	2015-2020		All	All	5.3L L83	All	
Chevrolet	Tahoe	2021		All	All	5.3L L84 6.2L L87	All	
GMC	Sierra Limited	2014-2019		A11	A11	4.3L LV3 5.3L L83 6.2L L86	All	

GMC	Sierra (New Model)	2019-2021	All	All	5.3L L82 L84 6.2L L87	All
GMC	Yukon Models	2015-2019	All	All	5.3L L83 6.2L L86	All
GMC	Yukon Models	2021	All	All	5.3L L84 6.2L L84	All

Supersession Statement

This PI was superseded to update Model Years. Please discard PIP5212B.

The following diagnosis might be helpful if the vehicle exhibits the symptom(s) described in this PI.

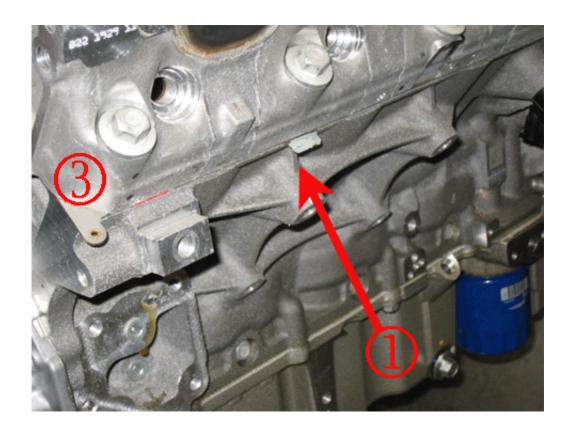
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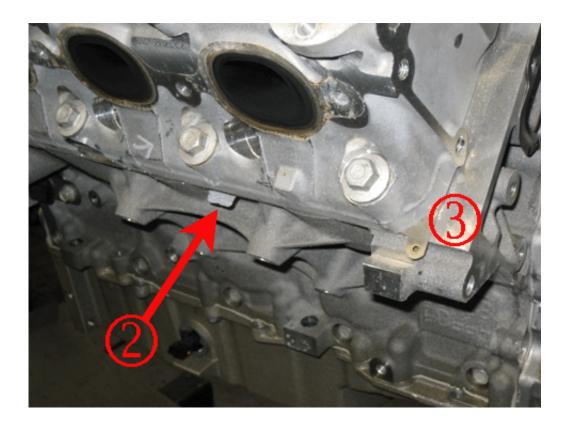
A vehicle may have a concern of the engine running hot and/or has a tick noise from the thermostat.

Recommendations / Instructions

Inspect the position of the head gasket locating tabs, to determine if the head gasket(s) has been possibly installed backwards.

Per the attached pictures, the head gasket locating tabs for both of the engine cylinder banks should be toward the front of the engine.





- 1. Bank 1 tab near cylinder 3
- 2. Bank 2 tab near cylinder 4
- 3. Is the front of the engine

If the head gasket locating tabs are found to be closer to cylinders 5 or 6, this indicates the head gaskets were installed incorrectly restricting the engine coolant flow.

Replace the head gasket to repair for this concern.

Note: GEN5+ engines (L82, L84, L87 all model years).

This noise can sound more like a scraping noise (similar to a failed bearing type noise) on these engines, generally the techs are hearing it from the water pump area and it goes away when the belt is removed. Most likely the noise showed up after the heads had been recently removed (we haven't seen any that were built that way from the factory).

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