

SAFETY COMPLIANCE TESTING FOR FMVSS 124L ACCELERATOR CONTROL SYSTEMS

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SECTION 1 PURPOSE OF COMPLIANCE TEST

FMVSS 124 specifies requirements for the return of a vehicle's throttle to the idle position when the driver removes the actuating force from the accelerator control, or in the event of a severance or disconnection in the accelerator control system. The purpose of FMVSS 124 is to reduce deaths and injuries resulting from engine overspeed caused by malfunctions in the accelerator control system. This standard applies to passenger cars, multipurpose passenger vehicles (MPV's), trucks and buses.

SECTION 2 TEST PROCEDURES AND DISCUSSION OF RESULTS

Compliance testing was conducted on a 2004 Honda Element, MPV, NHTSA No. C45300 in accordance with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) Laboratory Procedure TP-124-06.

Output from the vehicle throttle position sensor on the air throttle plate shaft was used to measure throttle position and data was recorded at 1000 HZ with GTL's data acquisition system. Testing was conducted to simulate the normal removal of the driver's foot from the accelerator pedal. Testing was performed with the vehicle in park and the engine running. Return to idle times were determined for four throttle plate positions with the accelerator control system complete and with each of the three throttle return springs (2) on the throttle plate shaft and (1) on the accelerator pedal independently disconnected. The severed linkage test was also performed by disconnecting the throttle cable from the throttle body. As the air throttle plate was mechanically linked to the accelerator pedal, no electrical disconnections were required.

This testing was to be performed at low ambient temperature of -40° C (-0 +5° C) in accordance with the NHTSA Test Procedure TP-124-06 however, due to the inability of prior test vehicles to start at this extreme temperature the test was performed at -13° C (-25° F).

SECTION 3
COMPLIANCE TEST DATA

Test data for this test can be found on the following pages. Photographs are found in Section 5 and Test Plots are found in Section 6.

DATA SHEET 1

VEHICLE DESCRIPTION

VEHICLE MAKE/MODEL/BODY STYLE: 2004 HONDA ELEMENT MPV
VEHICLE NHTSA NO.: C45300
VEHICLE VIN: 5J6YH28254L000085
DATE OF TEST: MAY 6, 2004
TEST LAB: GENERAL TESTING LABORATORIES
VEHICLE ENGINE TYPE: 4 CYL GVWR: 2020 KG
VEHICLE ENGINE SIZE: 2.4 L D.O.H.C 16 VALVE
VEHICLE ACCEL. CONTROL SYSTEM (ACS) (Air or Fuel Throttled): AIR
MAX. BHP ENGINE SPEED: 160 HP.
MFR. IDLE RPM: COMPUTER CONTROLLED (750)
FUEL METERING DEVICE (Carburetor, fuel injection, etc): FUEL INJECTION

REMARKS:

RECORDED BY: J. G. Gandy

DATE: 05/06/04

APPROVED BY: [Signature]

DATA SHEET 2
NORMAL OPERATION TEST
(fully operational system)

VEHICLE MY/MAKE/MODEL/BODY STYLE: 2004 HONDA ELEMENT, MPV
 VEHICLE NHTSA NO.: C45300
 DATE OF TEST: MAY 6, 2004

Check one:

Mid Temp. Test: Low Temp. Test: X High Temp. Test:

| SYSTEM CONDITION: COMPLETE (no modifications) Normal Operation | | | | | | | |
|--|---|------|-------------------|---------|---|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| ACCELERATOR POSITION % WIDE OPEN THROTTLE (WOT) | THROTTLE POSITION SENSOR READING | RPM | TEMPERATURE (°F) | | THROTTLE POSITION SENSOR READING @ IDLE (BASELINE) | RETURN TIME TO IDLE (Msec) | PASS/ FAIL |
| | | | ENGINE COOLANT | AMBIENT | | | |
| 25% | 25 | 5100 | -25 | -25 | 13% | 29 | P |
| 50% | 50 | 5100 | -24 | -25 | 13% | 31 | P |
| 75% | 75 | 5100 | -24 | -25 | 13% | 33 | P |
| 100% | 100 | 5100 | -24 | -25 | 13% | 39 | P |

RETURN TIME REQUIREMENTS:

- 1 second (1000 ms) for vehicles less than 4536 kg.
- 2 seconds (2000 ms) for vehicles more than 4536 kg.
- 3 seconds (3000 ms) for vehicles exposed to -18° C or less

PASS X FAIL

REMARKS: Baseline Idle 12% to 13% at this temperature.

RECORDED BY: 

DATE: 05/06/04

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DATA SHEET 3 (1 of 3)
FAIL-SAFE OPERATION DISCONNECTION

VEHICLE MY/MAKE/MODEL/BODY STYLE: 2004 HONDA ELEMENT, MPV
 VEHICLE NHTSA NO.: C45300
 DATE OF TEST: MAY 6, 2004

Check one:

Mid Temp. Test: Low Temp. Test: X High Temp. Test:

SYSTEM CONDITION: #1 SPRING DISCONNECTED (OUTER SPRING)

| ACCELERATOR POSITION % WIDE OPEN THROTTLE (WOT) | THROTTLE POSITION SENSOR READING | RPM | TEMPERATURE (°F) | | THROTTLE POSITION SENSOR READING @ IDLE (BASELINE) | RETURN TIME TO IDLE (Msec) | PASS/ FAIL |
|---|---|------|-------------------|---------|---|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| | | | ENGINE COOLANT | AMBIENT | | | |
| 25% | 25 | 3800 | 32 | -25 | 13% | 28 | P |
| 50% | 50 | 5100 | 32 | -25 | 13% | 32 | P |
| 75% | 75 | 5200 | 32 | -25 | 13% | 36 | P |
| 100% | 100 | 5200 | 32 | -25 | 13% | 39 | P |

RETURN TIME REQUIREMENTS:

- 1 second (1000 ms) for vehicles less than 4536 kg.
- 2 seconds (2000 ms) for vehicles more than 4536 kg.
- 3 seconds (3000 ms) for vehicles exposed to -18° C or less

PASS X FAIL

REMARKS:

RECORDED BY: 

DATE: 05/06/04

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DATA SHEET 3 (2 of 3)
FAIL-SAFE OPERATION DISCONNECTION

VEHICLE MY/MAKE/MODEL/BODY STYLE: 2004 HONDA ELEMENT, MPV
 VEHICLE NHTSA NO.: C45300
 DATE OF TEST: MAY 6, 2004

Check one:

Mid Temp. Test: Low Temp. Test: X High Temp. Test:

SYSTEM CONDITION: #2 SPRING DISCONNECTED (INNER SPRING)

| ACCELERATOR POSITION % WIDE OPEN THROTTLE (WOT) | THROTTLE POSITION SENSOR READING | RPM | TEMPERATURE (°F) | | THROTTLE POSITION SENSOR READING @ IDLE (BASELINE) | RETURN TIME TO IDLE (Msec) | PASS/ FAIL |
|---|---|------|-------------------|---------|---|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| | | | ENGINE COOLANT | AMBIENT | | | |
| 25% | 25 | 4000 | 32 | -25 | 13% | 25 | P |
| 50% | 50 | 5100 | 32 | -25 | 13% | 73 | P |
| 75% | 75 | | 32 | -25 | 13% | 32 | P |
| 100% | 100 | | 32 | -25 | 13% | 50 | P |

RETURN TIME REQUIREMENTS:

- 1 second (1000 ms) for vehicles less than 4536 kg.
- 2 seconds (2000 ms) for vehicles more than 4536 kg.
- 3 seconds (3000 ms) for vehicles exposed to -18° C or less

PASS X FAIL

REMARKS:

RECORDED BY: *S. G. [Signature]*

DATE: 05/06/04

APPROVED BY: *N. [Signature]*

DATA SHEET 3 (3 of 3)
FAIL-SAFE OPERATION DISCONNECTION

VEHICLE MY/MAKE/MODEL/BODY STYLE: 2004 HONDA ELEMENT, MPV
VEHICLE NHTSA NO.: C45300
DATE OF TEST: MAY 6, 2004

Check one:

Mid Temp. Test: _____ Low Temp. Test: X High Temp. Test: _____

| SYSTEM CONDITION: #3 SPRING DISCONNECTED (ACCELERATOR) | | | | | | | |
|--|--|------|-------------------|---------|--|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| ACCELERATOR POSITION % WIDE OPEN THROTTLE (WOT) | THROTTLE POSITION SENSOR READING | RPM | TEMPERATURE (°F) | | THROTTLE POSITION SENSOR READING @ IDLE (BASELINE) | RETURN TIME TO IDLE (Msec) | PASS/ FAIL |
| | | | ENGINE COOLANT | AMBIENT | | | |
| 25% | 25 | 5100 | 0 | -25 | 13% | 35 | P |
| 50% | 50 | 5100 | 1 | -25 | 13% | 39 | P |
| 75% | 75 | 5100 | 1 | -25 | 13% | 48 | P |
| 100% | 100 | 5100 | 3 | -25 | 13% | 42 | P |

RETURN TIME REQUIREMENTS:

1 second (1000 ms) for vehicles less than 4536 kg.
2 seconds (2000 ms) for vehicles more than 4536 kg.
3 seconds (3000 ms) for vehicles exposed to -18° C or less

PASS X FAIL

REMARKS:

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DATE: 05/06/04

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DATA SHEET 4
FAIL-SAFE OPERATION SEVERED

VEHICLE MY/MAKE/MODEL/BODY STYLE: 2004 HONDA ELEMENT, MPV
 VEHICLE NHTSA NO.: C45300
 DATE OF TEST: MAY 6, 2004

Check one:

Mid Temp. Test: Low Temp. Test: X High Temp. Test:

SYSTEM CONDITION: SEVERANCE

| ACCELERATOR POSITION % WIDE OPEN THROTTLE (WOT) | THROTTLE POSITION SENSOR READING | RPM | TEMPERATURE (°F) | | THROTTLE POSITION SENSOR READING @ IDLE (BASELINE) | RETURN TIME TO IDLE (Msec) | PASS/ FAIL |
|---|---|------|-------------------|---------|---|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| | | | ENGINE COOLANT | AMBIENT | | | |
| 25% | 25 | 4100 | 21 | -25 | 13% | 22 | P |
| 50% | 50 | 5100 | 22 | -25 | 13% | 6 | P |
| 75% | 75 | 5100 | 26 | -25 | 13% | 8 | P |
| 100% | 100 | 5100 | 29 | -25 | 13% | 6 | P |

RETURN TIME REQUIREMENTS:

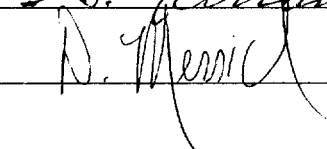
- 1 second (1000 ms) for vehicles less than 4536 kg.
- 2 seconds (2000 ms) for vehicles more than 4536 kg.
- 3 seconds (3000 ms) for vehicles exposed to -18° C or less

PASS X FAIL

REMARKS:

RECORDED BY: 

DATE: 05/06/04

APPROVED BY: 

SECTION 4
TEST EQUIPMENT LIST AND CALIBRATION INFORMATION

| EQUIPMENT | DESCRIPTION | MODEL/ SERIAL NO. | CAL. DATE | NEXT CAL. DATE |
|------------------------|-------------|----------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| CONTINUOUS RECORDER | OMEGA | 55662 | 03/04 | 03/05 |
| ENGINE RECORDING | FLUKE | 7471026 | 03/04 | 03/05 |
| ENGINE RECORDING | MONARCH | 1444664 | 01/04 | 07/05 |
| SOFTWARE | GTL | N/A | BEFORE USE | BEFORE USE |
| CHAMBER | GTL | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| EXHAUST DUCT | GTL | N/A | N/A | N/A |

SECTION 5
PHOTOGRAPHS



2004 HONDA ELEMENT
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FMVSS NO. 124L

FIGURE 5.1
FRONT VIEW OF VEHICLE



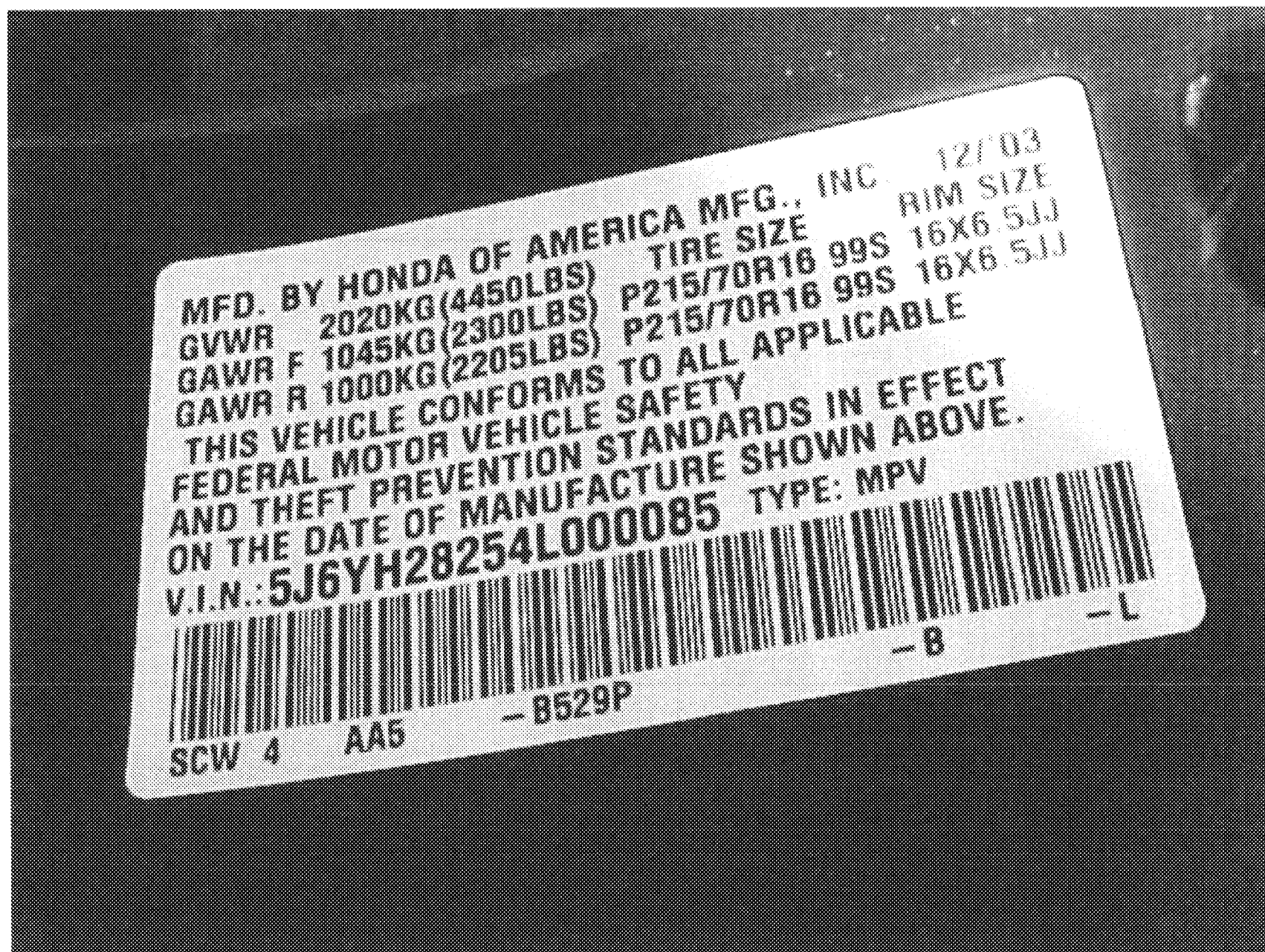
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NHTSA NO. C45300
FMVSS NO. 124L

FIGURE 5.2
LEFT SIDE VIEW OF VEHICLE



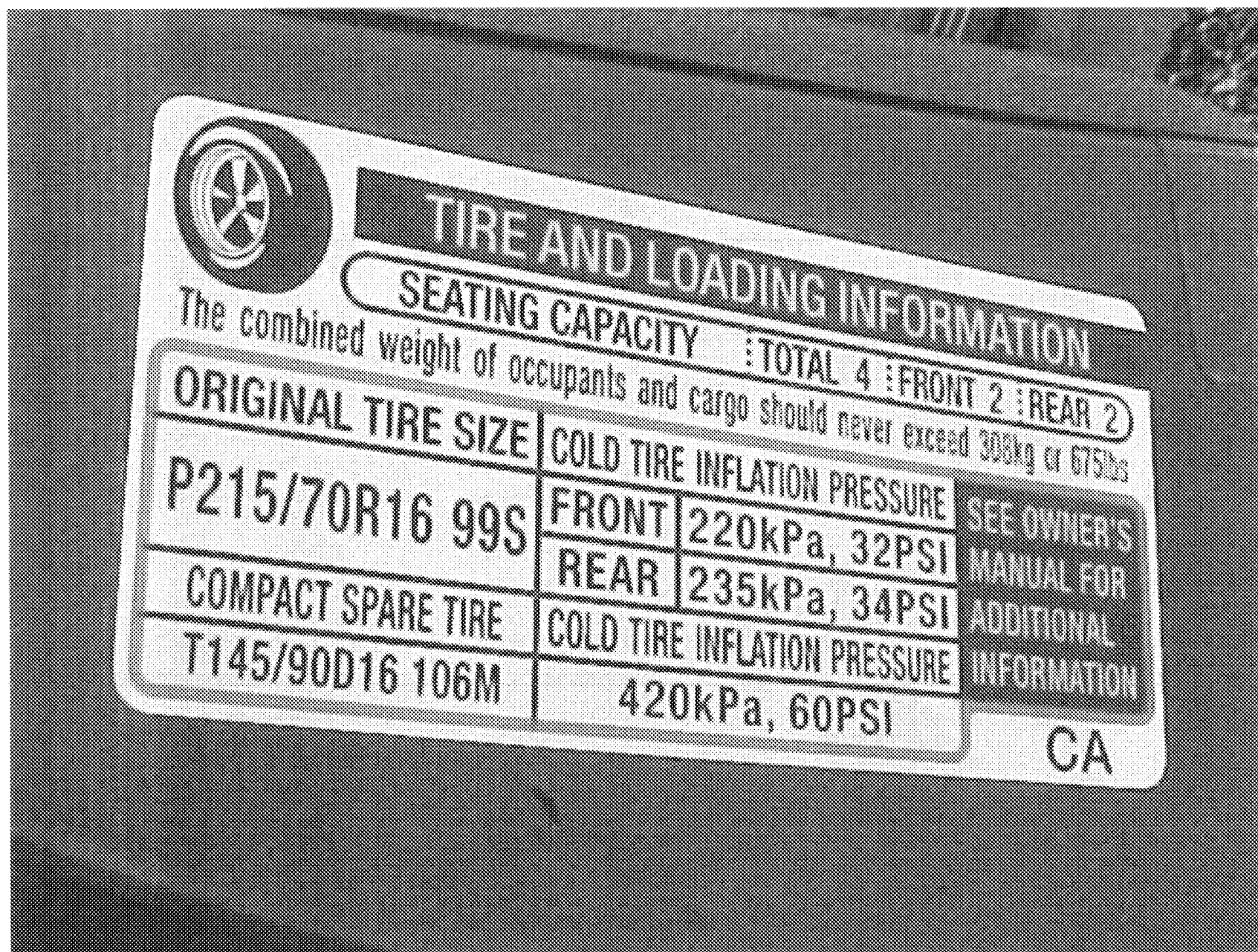
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FMVSS NO. 124L

FIGURE 5.3
RIGHT SIDE VIEW OF VEHICLE



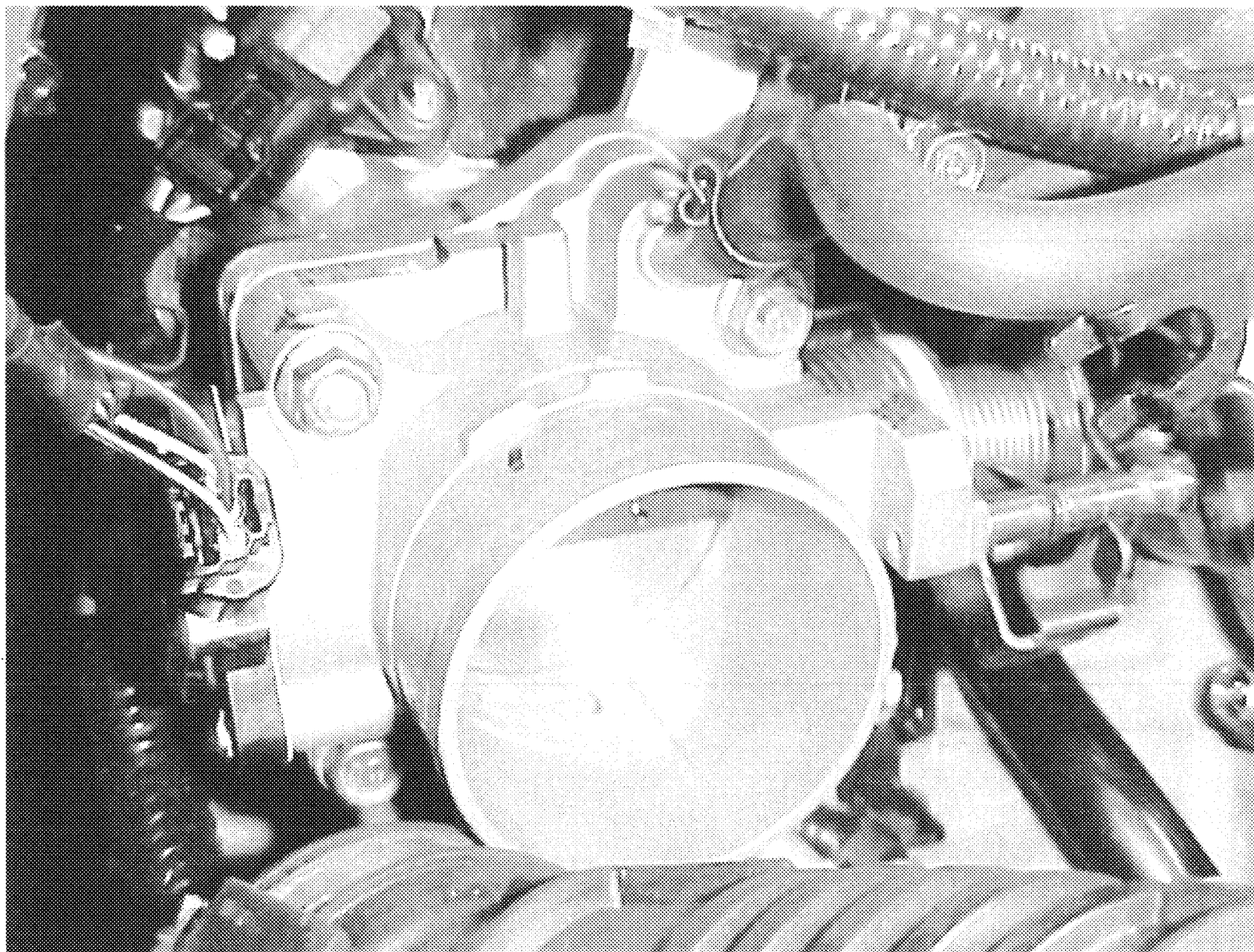
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FIGURE 5.4
CLOSE-UP VIEW OF VEHICLE'S CERTIFICATION
LABEL



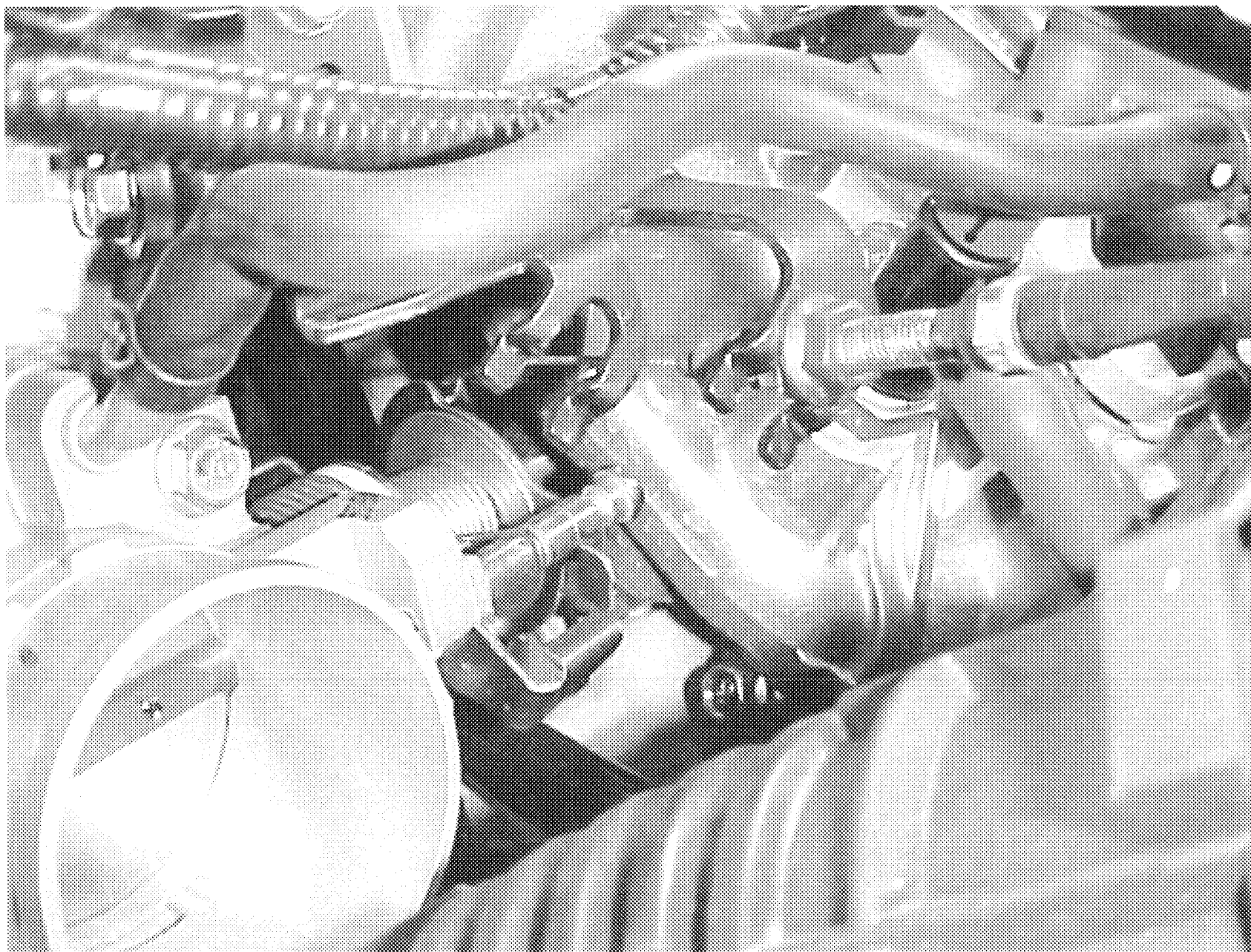
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FMVSS NO. 124L

FIGURE 5.5
CLOSE-UP VIEW OF VEHICLE'S TIRE
INFORMATION LABEL



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NHTSA NO. C45300
FMVSS NO. 124L

FIGURE 5.6
THROTTLE BODY ON ENGINE



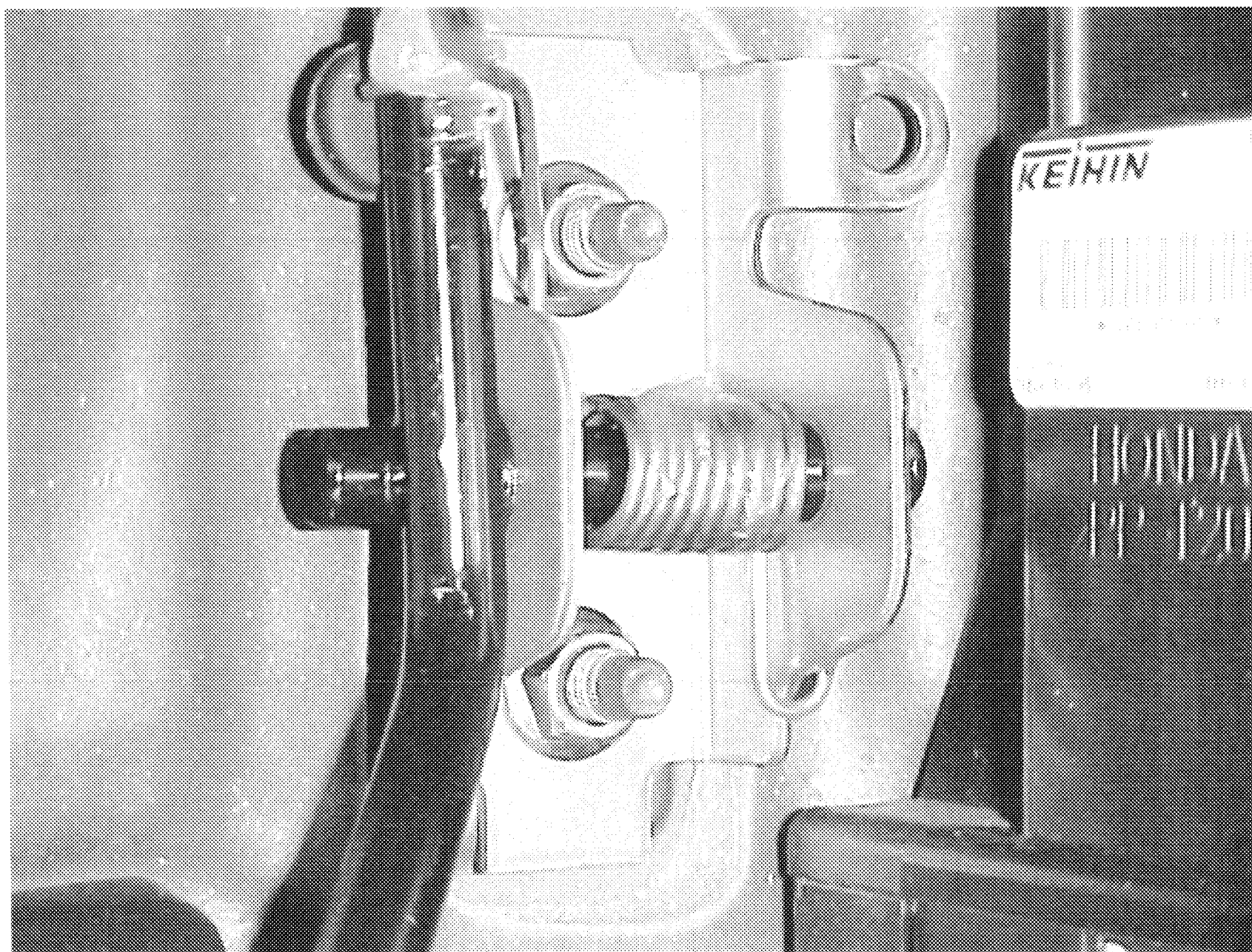
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FIGURE 5.7
ACCELERATOR CABLE LINKAGE TO THROTTLE
BODY



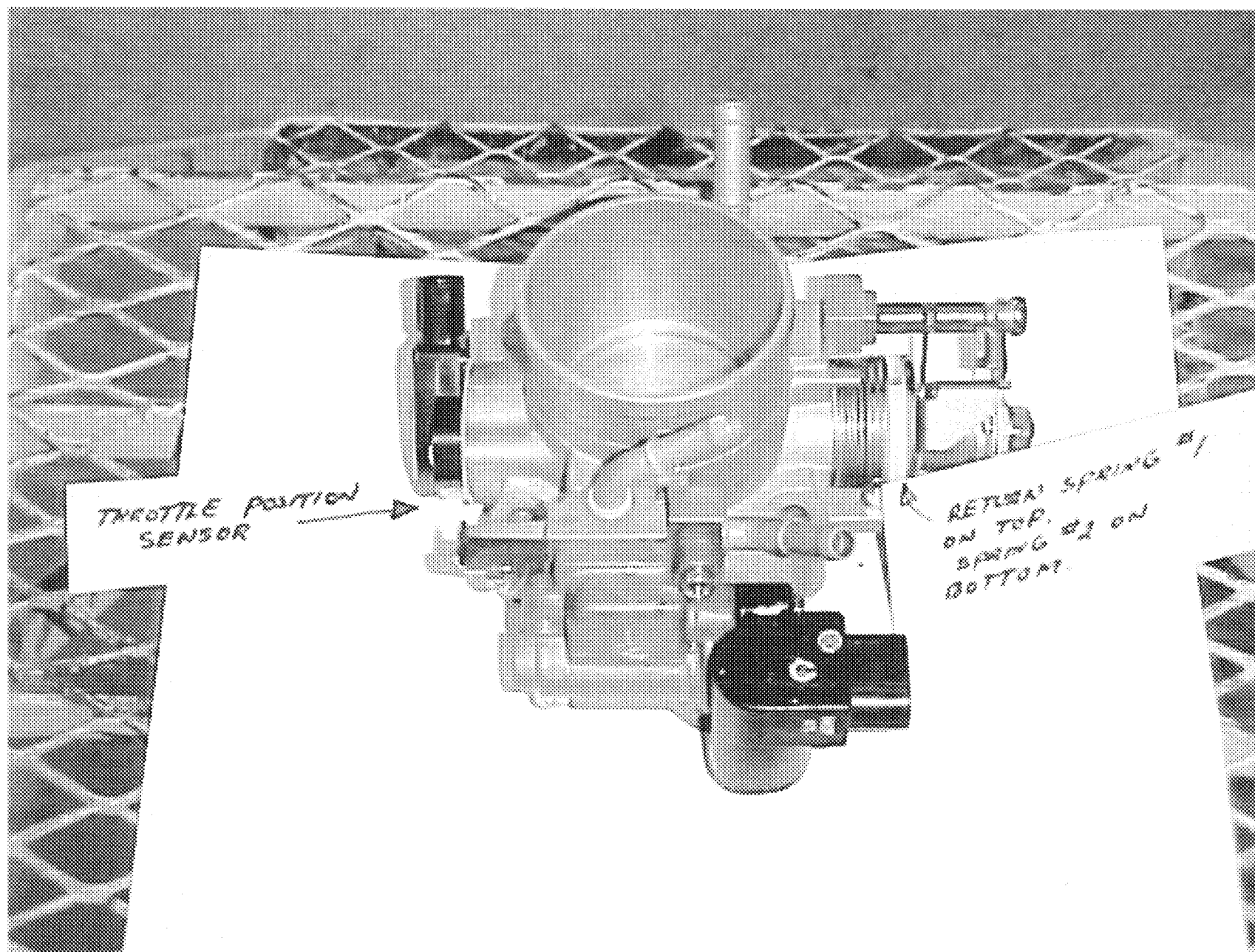
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FIGURE 5.8
ACCELERATOR PEDAL



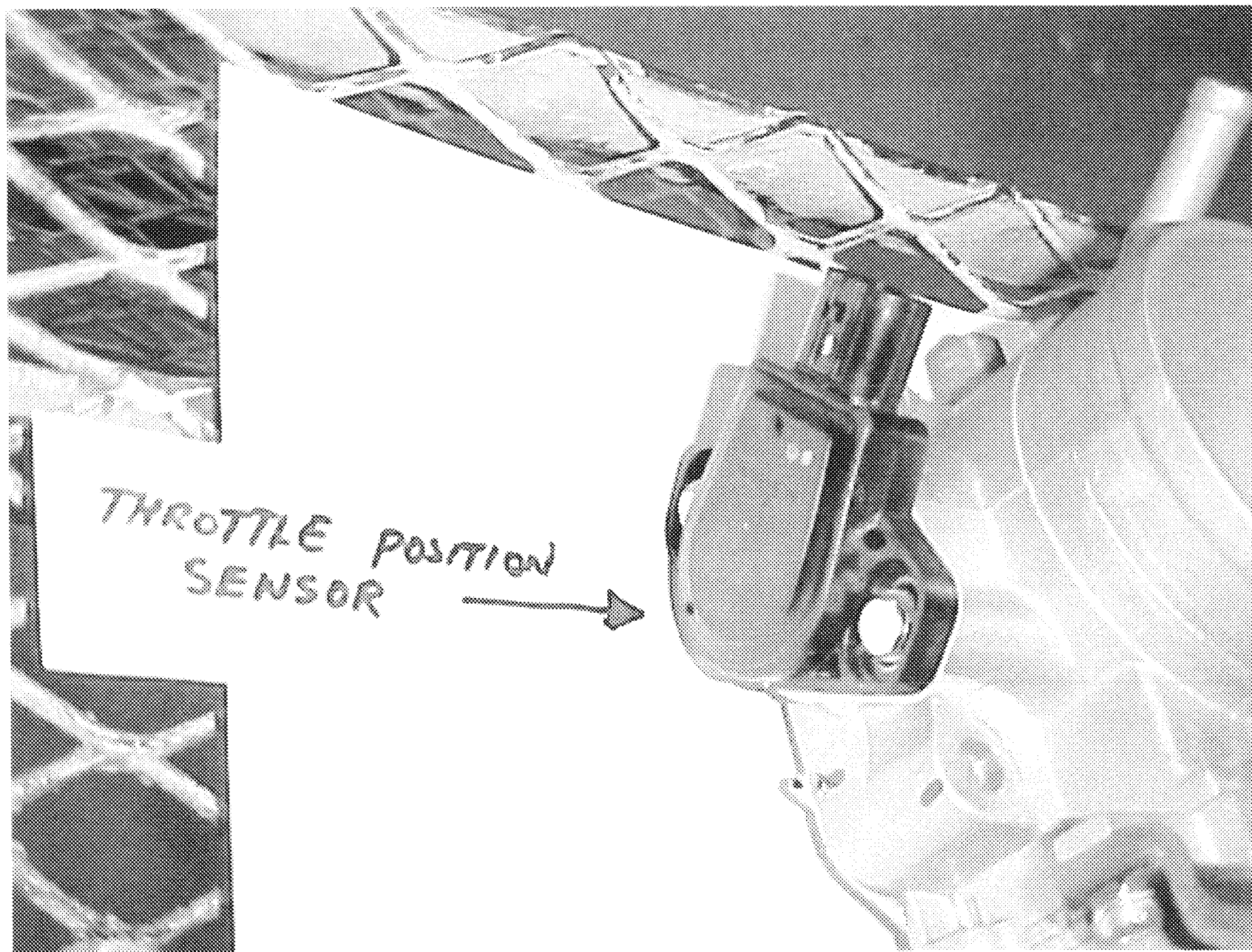
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FIGURE 5.9
ACCELERATOR PEDAL RETURN SPRING
(SPRING #3)



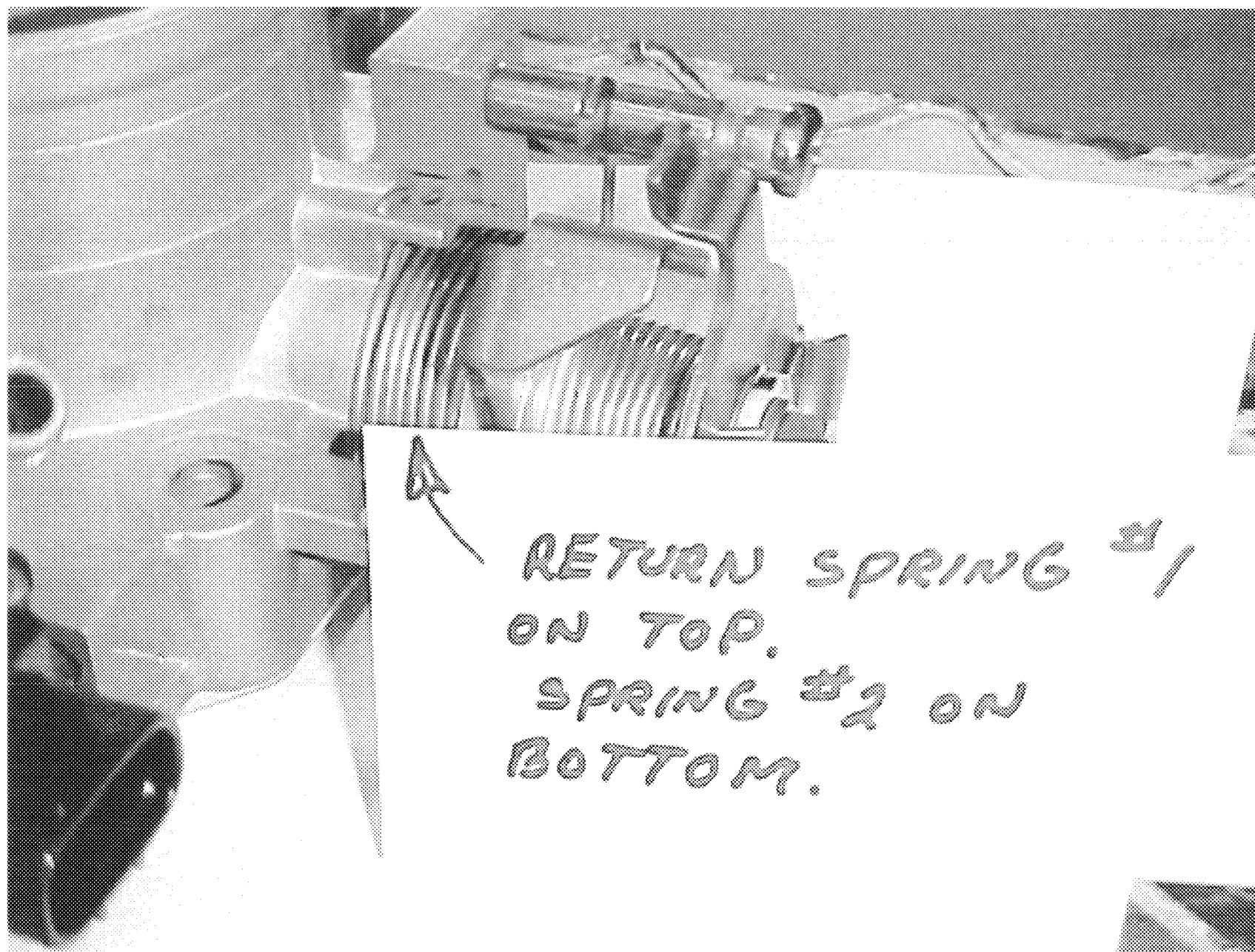
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FIGURE 5.10
THROTTLE BODY REMOVED FROM ENGINE



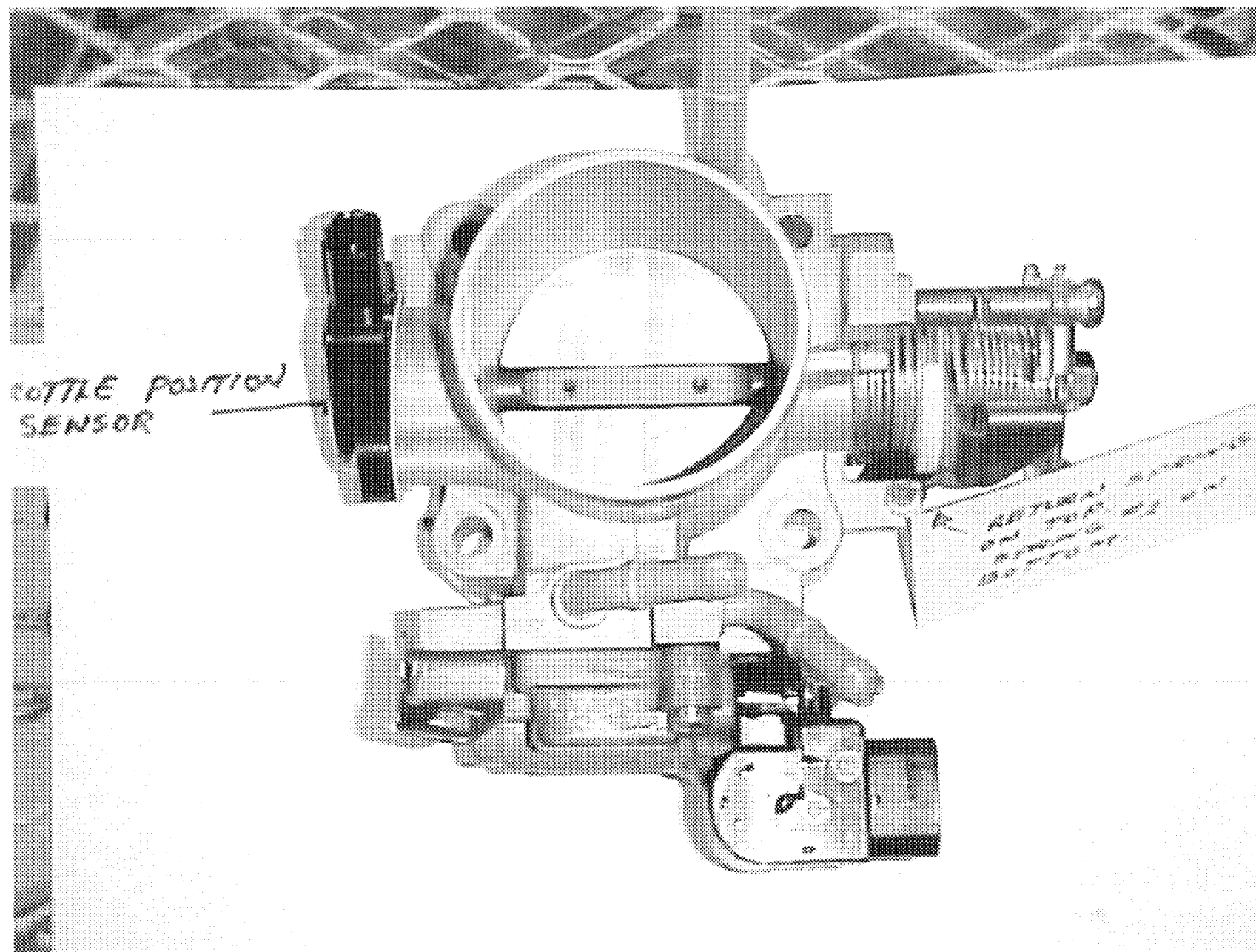
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FIGURE 5.11
THROTTLE POSITION SENSOR



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FIGURE 5.12
THROTTLE CONTROL SPRINGS #1 AND #2



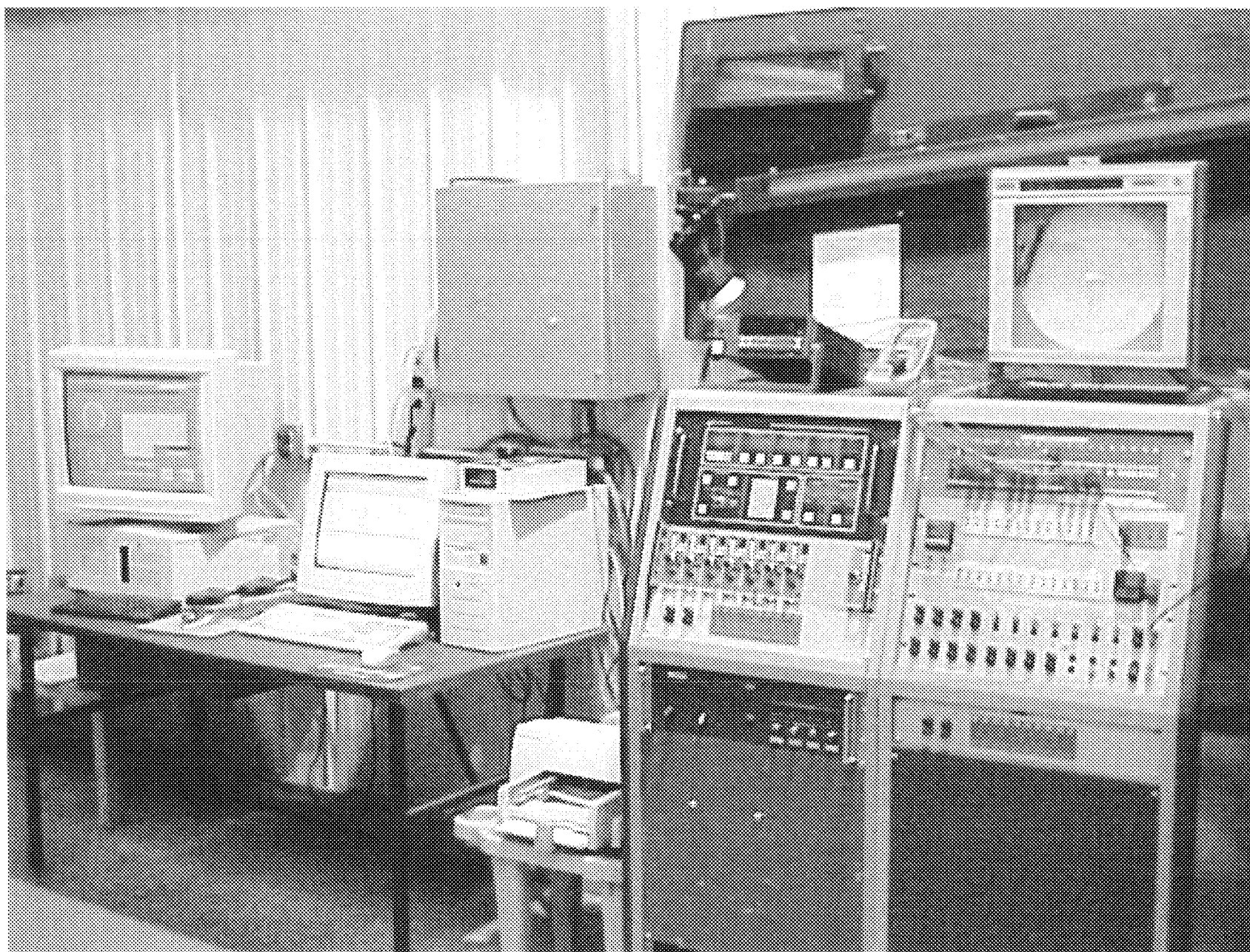
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FIGURE 5.13
TOP VIEW OF THROTTLE BODY



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FIGURE 5.14
VEHICLE IN TEST CHAMBER



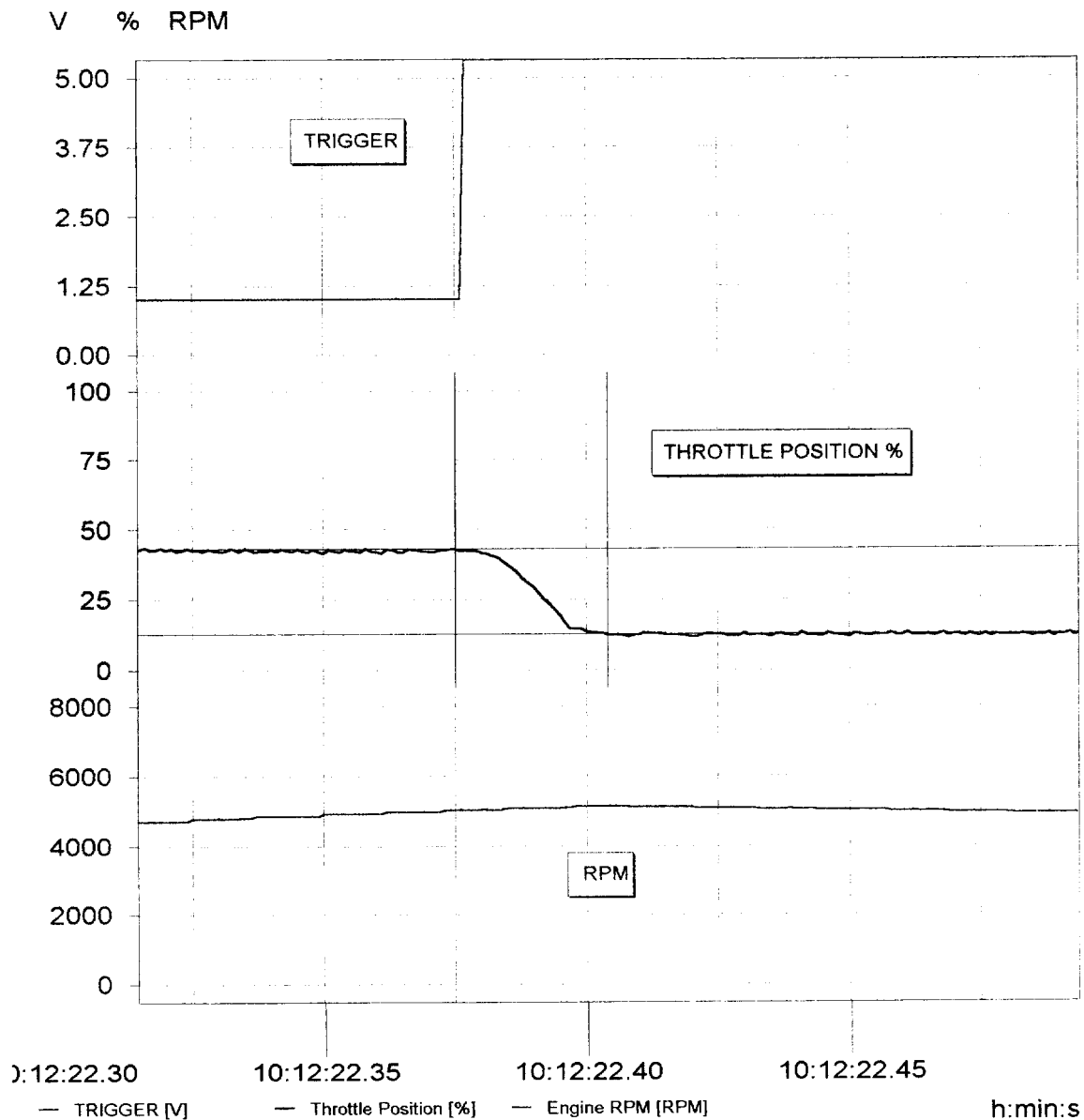
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FIGURE 5.15
124 TEST INSTRUMENTATION SET-UP

SECTION 6
PLOTS

FMVSS 124 THROTTLE RETURN TEST 124 COLD/ NORMAL/25% WOT 10:17:44 AM 5/6/04

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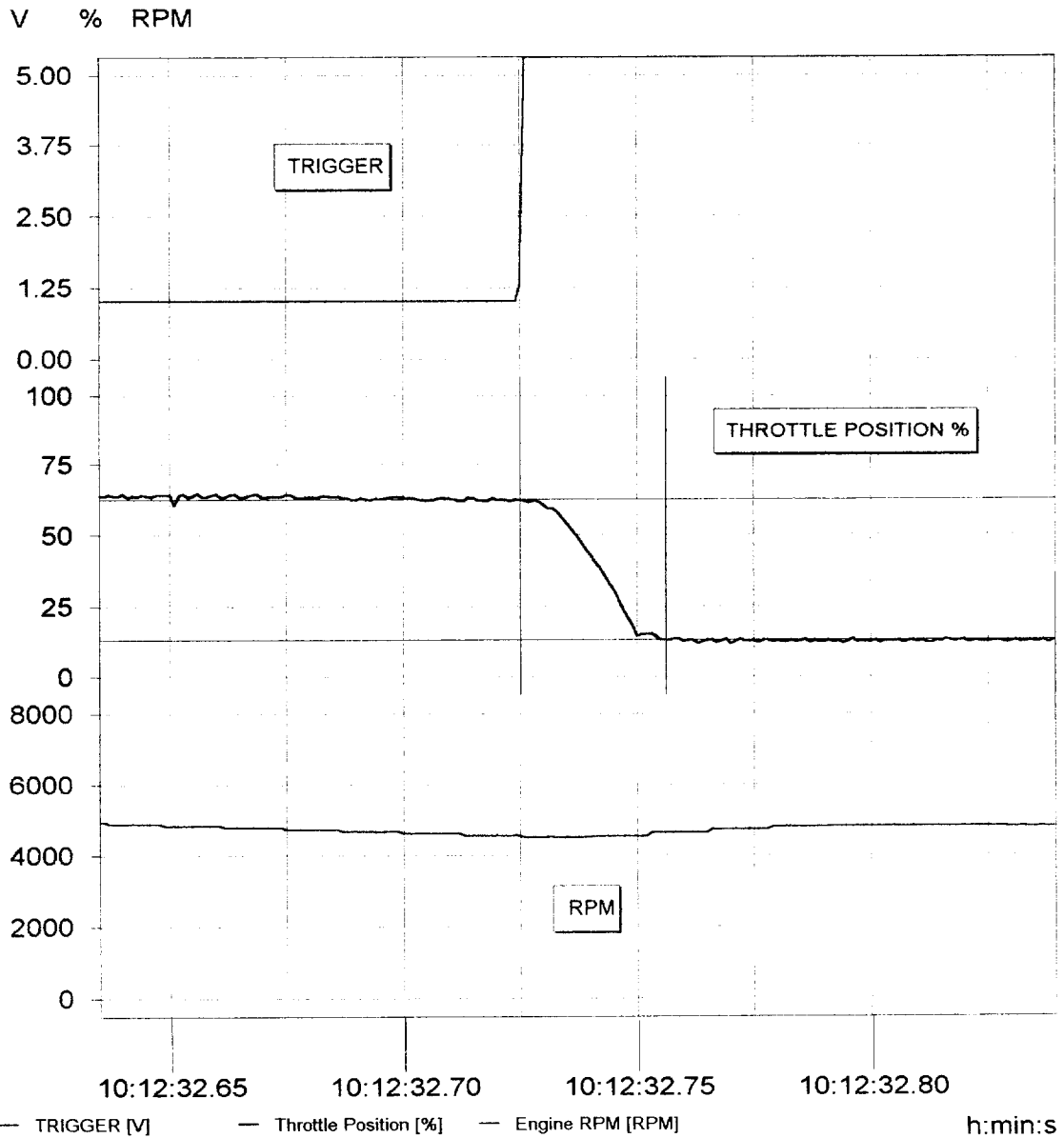


Channel: Throttle Position

| | |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| Y1: 42.998 % | Y2: 12.776 % |
| t1: -35471.154 ms | t2: -35442.154 ms |
| dt: 0.029 s | f: 34.483 Hz |

FMVSS 124 THROTTLE RETURN TEST
124 COLD/ NORMAL/50% WOT 10:19:09 AM 5/6/04

NHTSA C45300 HONDA ELEMENT

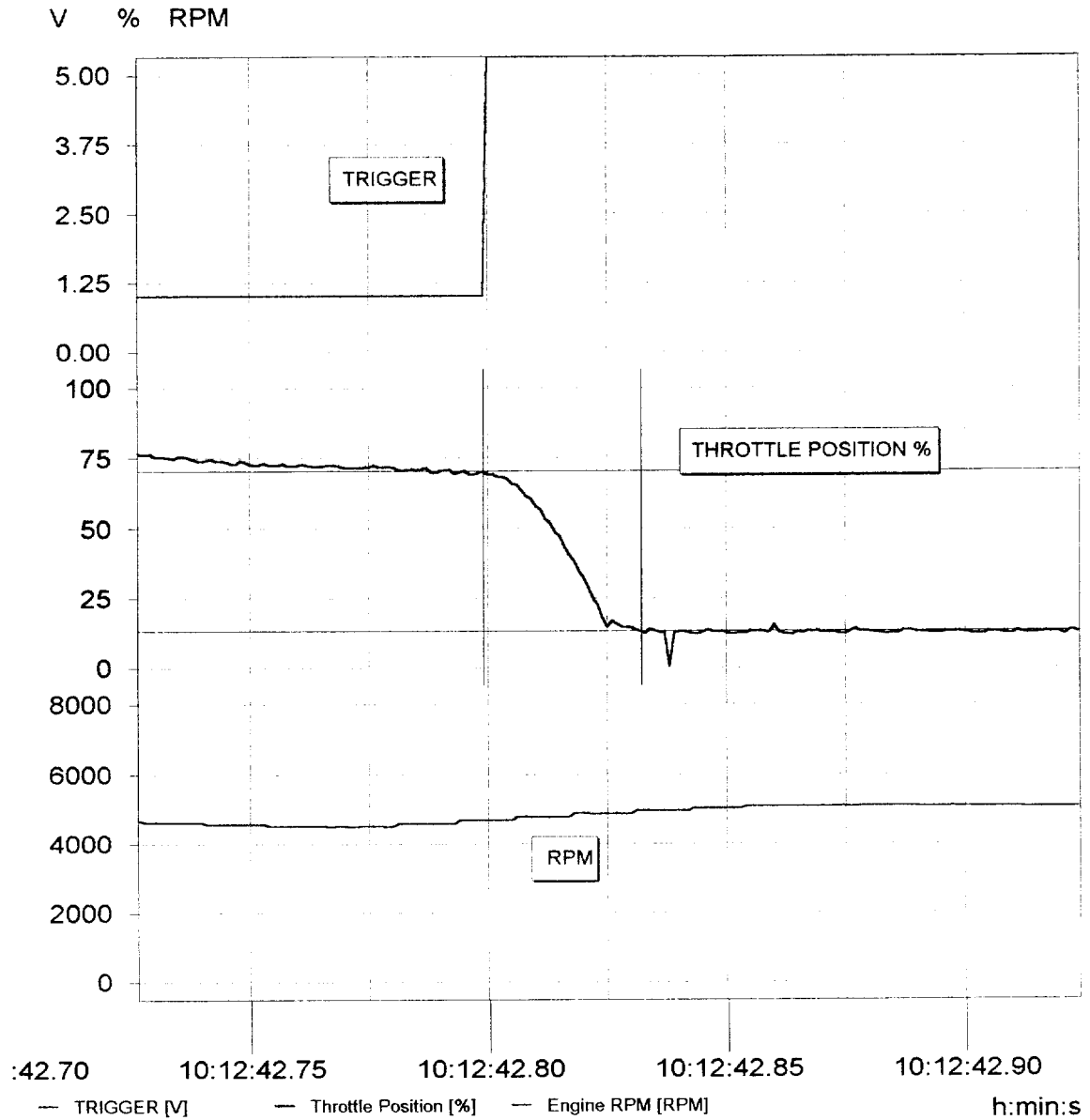


Channel: Throttle Position

| | | | |
|-----|---------------|-----|---------------|
| Y1: | 62.396 % | Y2: | 12.973 % |
| t1: | -25121.154 ms | t2: | -25090.154 ms |
| dt: | 0.031 s | f: | 32.258 Hz |

FMVSS 124 THROTTLE RETURN TEST
124 COLD/ NORMAL/75% WOT 10:20:38 AM 5/6/04

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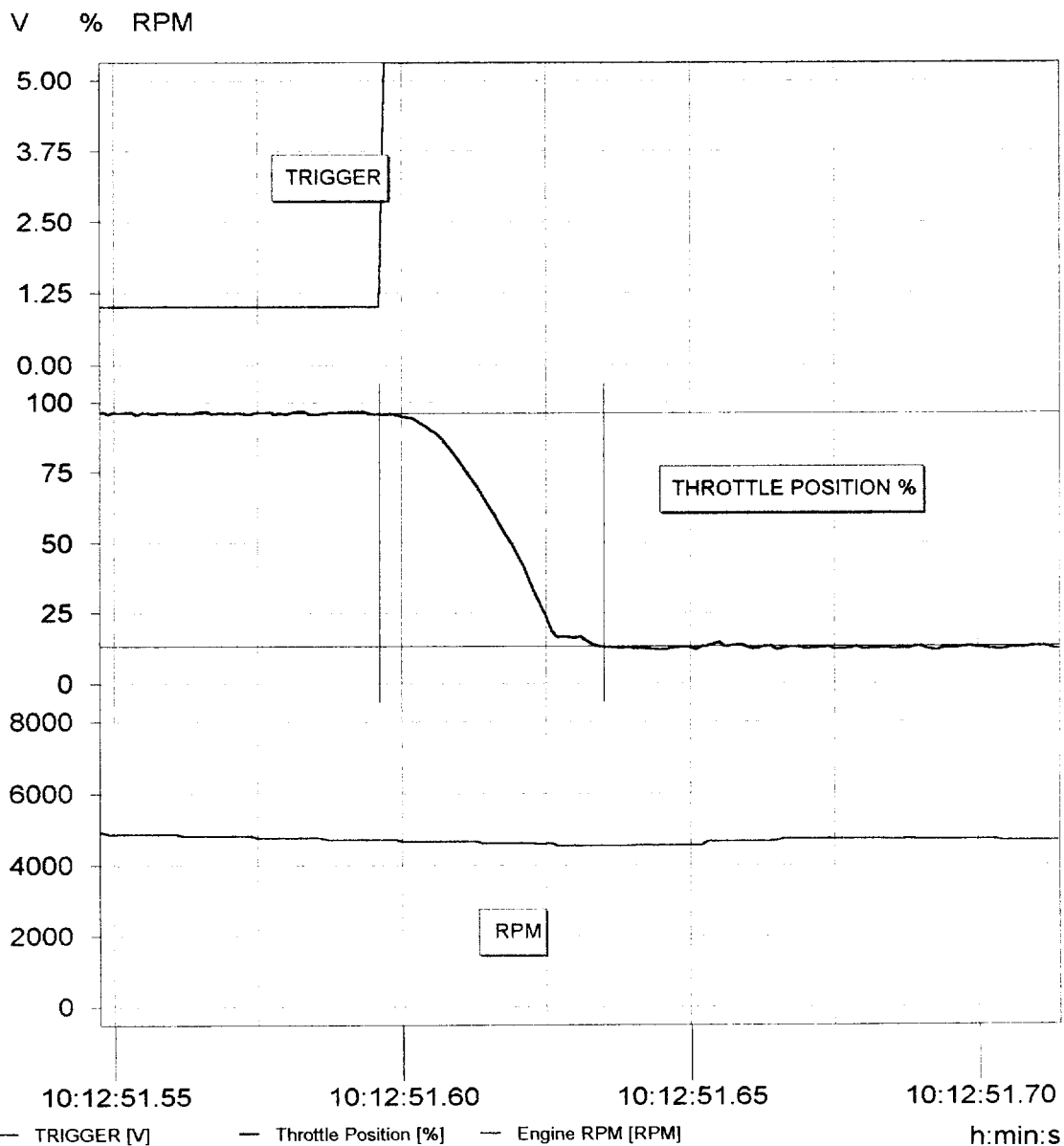


Channel: Throttle Position

| | |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| Y1: 70.324 % | Y2: 12.967 % |
| t1: -15047.154 ms | t2: -15014.154 ms |
| dt: 0.033 s | f: 30.303 Hz |

FMVSS 124 THROTTLE RETURN TEST
124 COLD/ NORMAL/100% WOT 10:22:08 AM 5/6/04

NHTSA C45300 HONDA ELEMENT



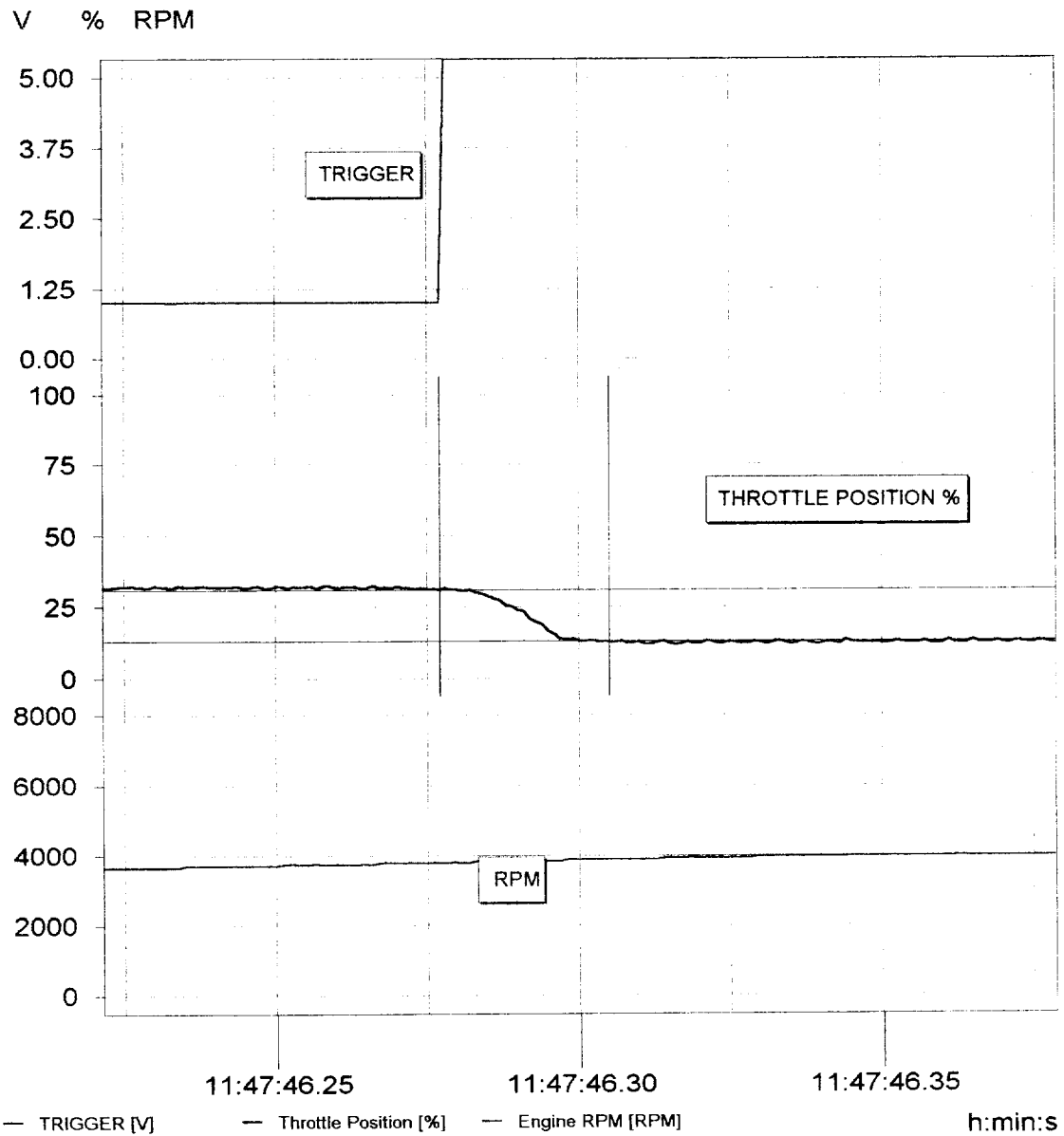
Channel: Throttle Position

Y1: 95.879 %
t1: -6250.154 ms
dt: 0.039 s

Y2: 12.973 %
t2: -6211.154 ms
f: 25.641 Hz

FMVSS 124 THROTTLE RETURN TEST 124 COLD/SPRING 1/25% WOT 11:55:50 AM 5/6/04

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Channel: Throttle Position

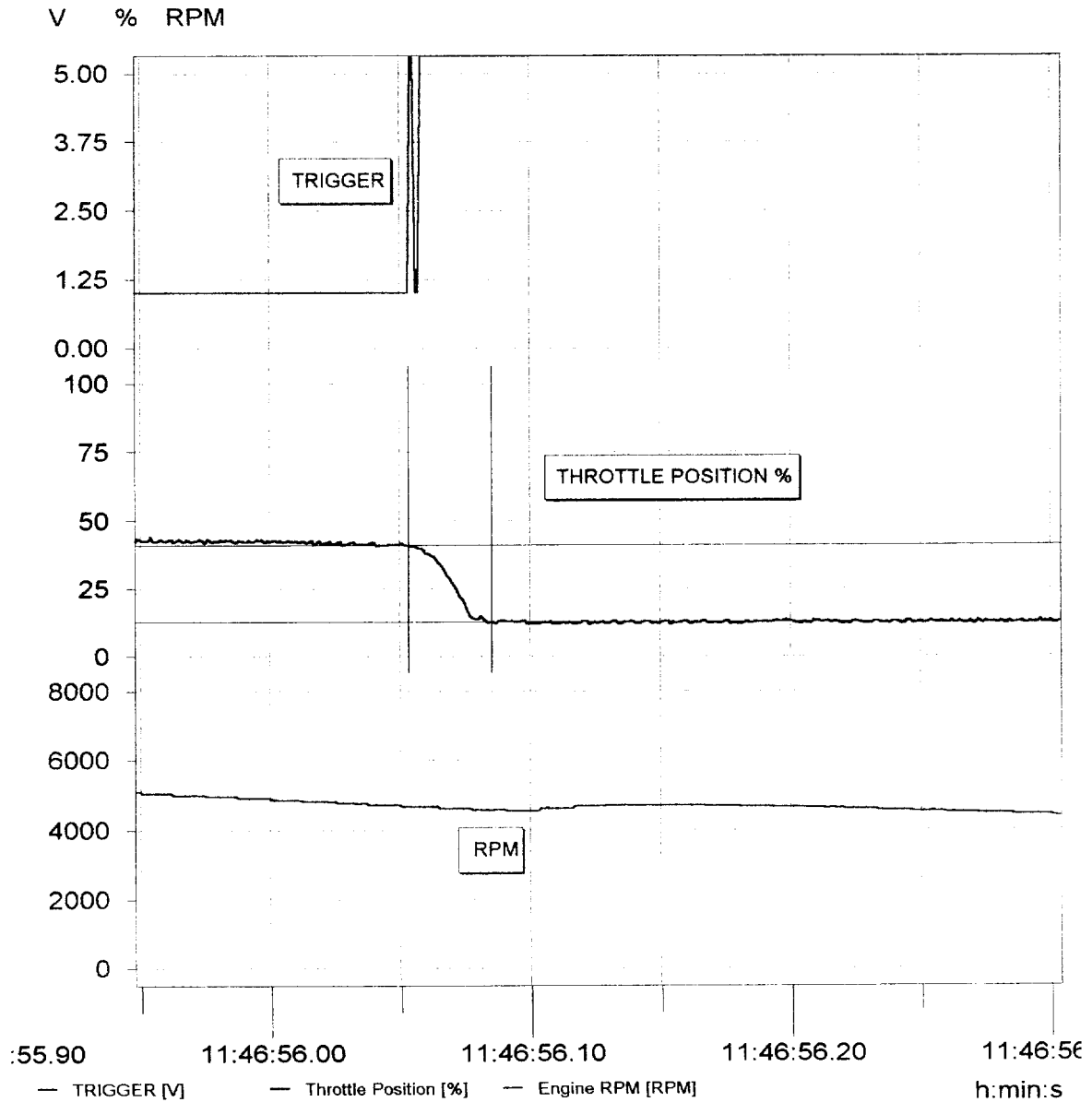
| | |
|------------------|------------------|
| Y1: 30.934 % | Y2: 12.897 % |
| t1: -5497.320 ms | t2: -5469.320 ms |
| dt: 0.028 s | f: 35.714 Hz |

FMVSS 124 THROTTLE RETURN TEST

124 COLD/SPRING 1/50% WOT

11:50:42 AM 5/6/04

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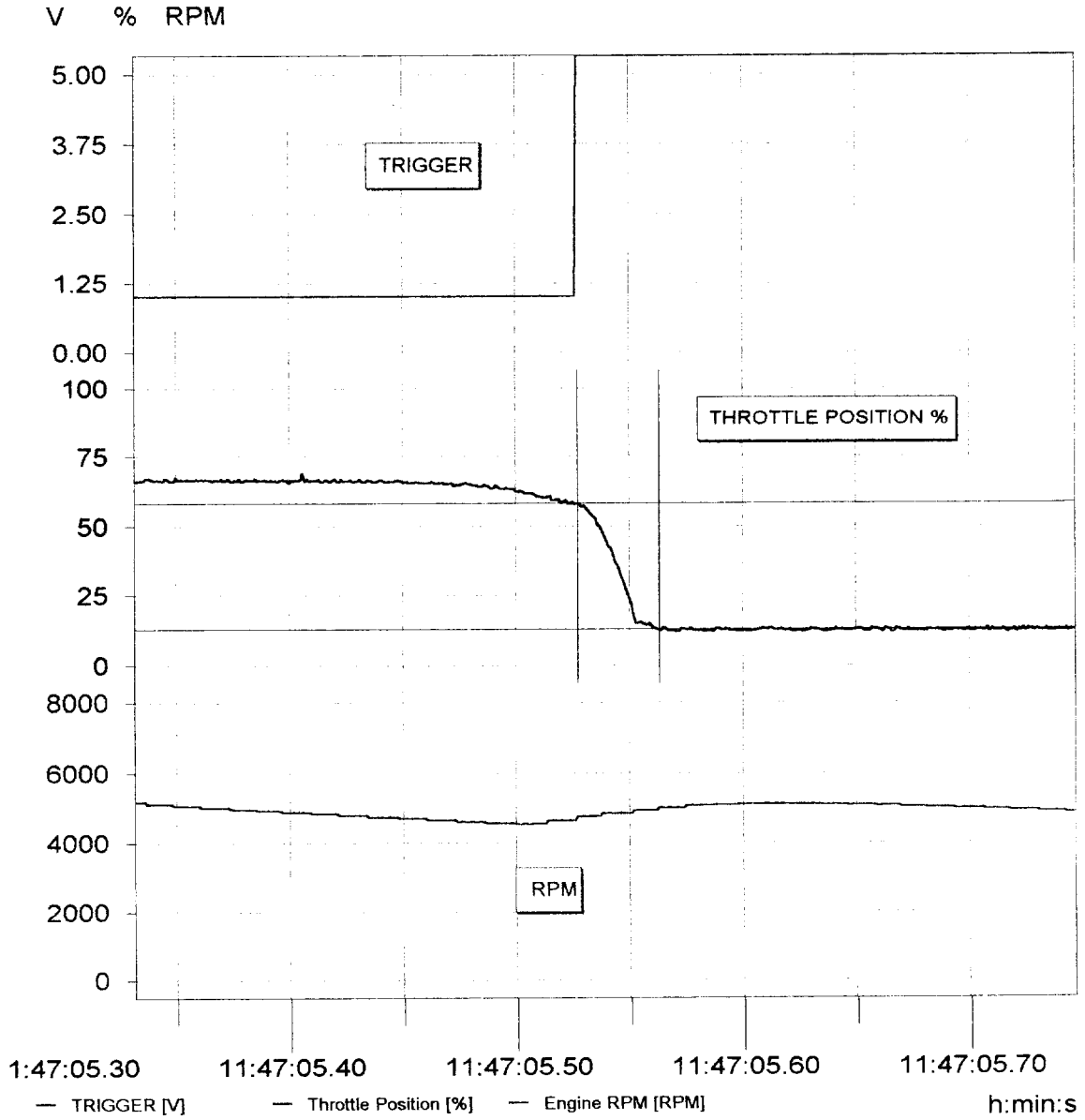
Channel: Throttle Position

Y1: 40.782 %
t1: -55721.320 ms
dt: 0.032 s

Y2: 12.792 %
t2: -55689.320 ms
f: 31.250 Hz

FMVSS 124 THROTTLE RETURN TEST
124 COLD/SPRING 1/75% WOT 11:52:18 AM 5/6/04

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Channel: Throttle Position

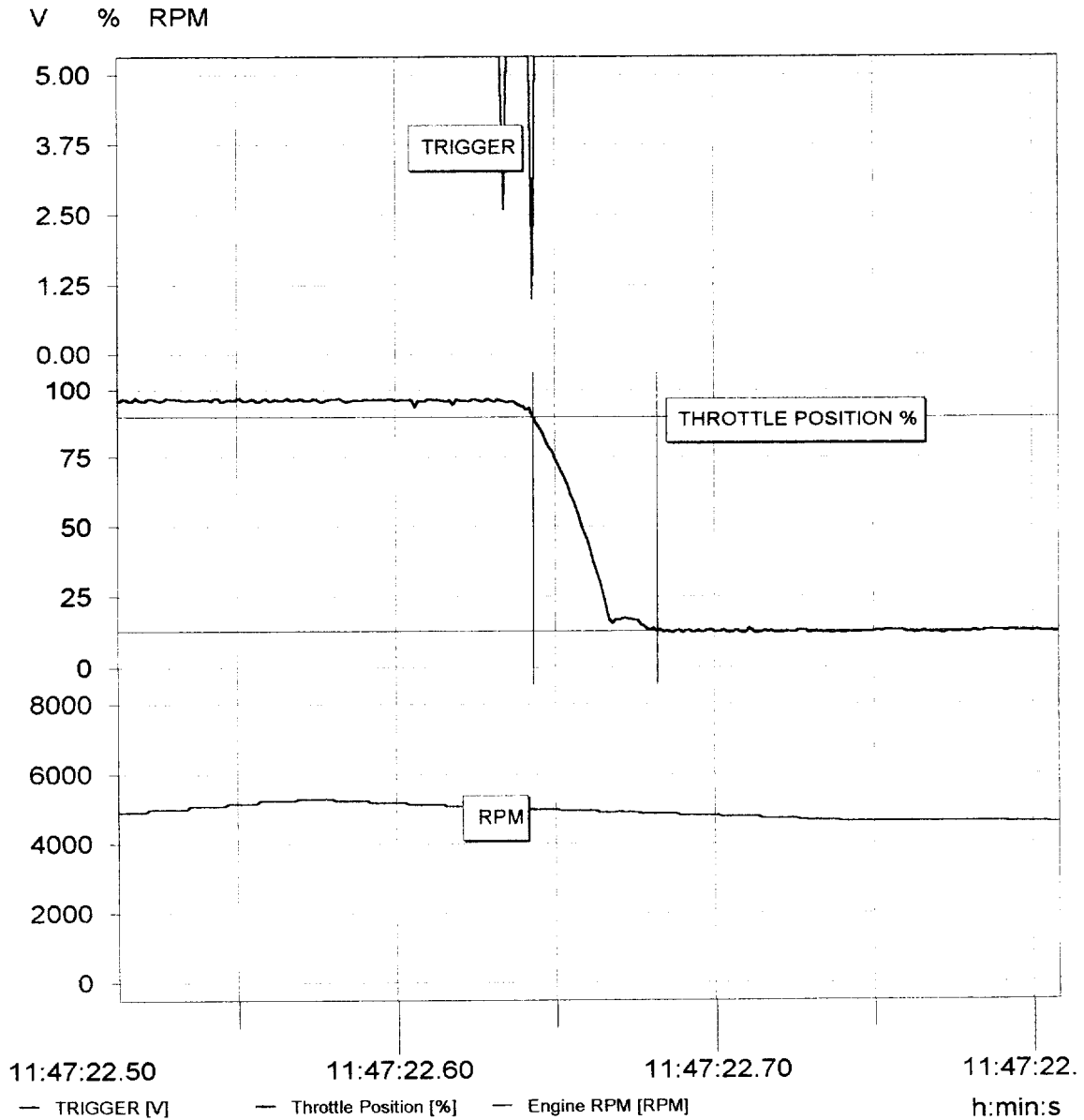
| | | | |
|-----|---------------|-----|---------------|
| Y1: | 58.047 % | Y2: | 12.925 % |
| t1: | -46247.320 ms | t2: | -46211.320 ms |
| dt: | 0.036 s | f: | 27.778 Hz |

FMVSS 124 THROTTLE RETURN TEST

124 COLD/SPRING 1/100% WOT

11:54:19 AM 5/6/04

NHTSA C45300 HONDA ELEMENT



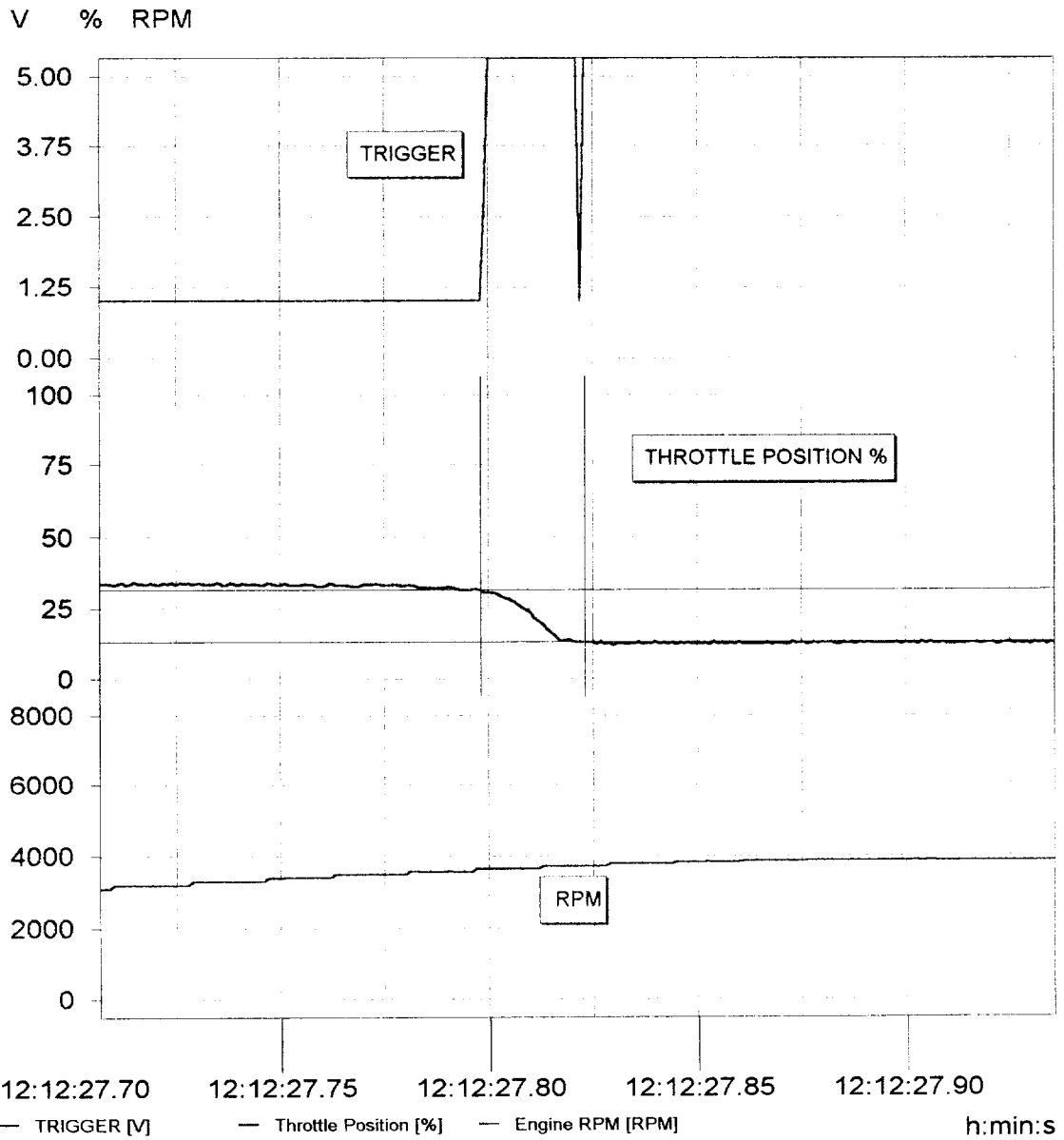
Channel: Throttle Position

Y1: 89.645 %
t1: -29131.320 ms
dt: 0.039 s

Y2: 12.716 %
t2: -29092.320 ms
f: 25.641 Hz

FMVSS 124 THROTTLE RETURN TEST
124 COLD/SPRING 2 /25% WOT 12:14:47 PM 5/6/04

NHTSA C45300 HONDA ELEMENT

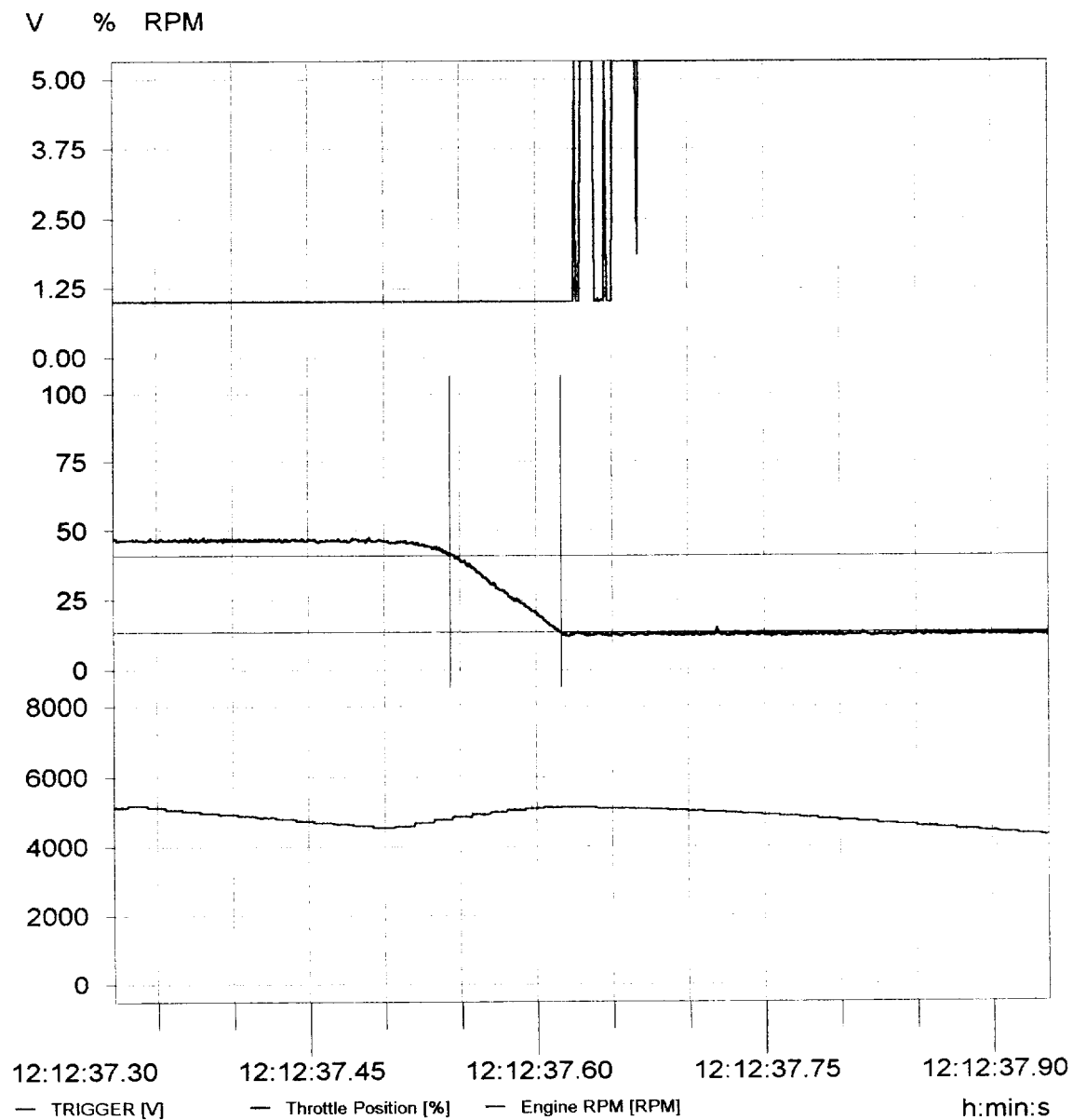


Channel: Throttle Position

| | | | |
|-----|---------------|-----|---------------|
| Y1: | 31.468 % | Y2: | 12.878 % |
| t1: | -35894.308 ms | t2: | -35869.308 ms |
| dt: | 0.025 s | f: | 40.000 Hz |

FMVSS 124 THROTTLE RETURN TEST
124 COLD/SPRING 2 /50% WOT 12:16:09 PM 5/6/04

NHTSA C46300 HONDA ELEMENT



Channel: Throttle Position

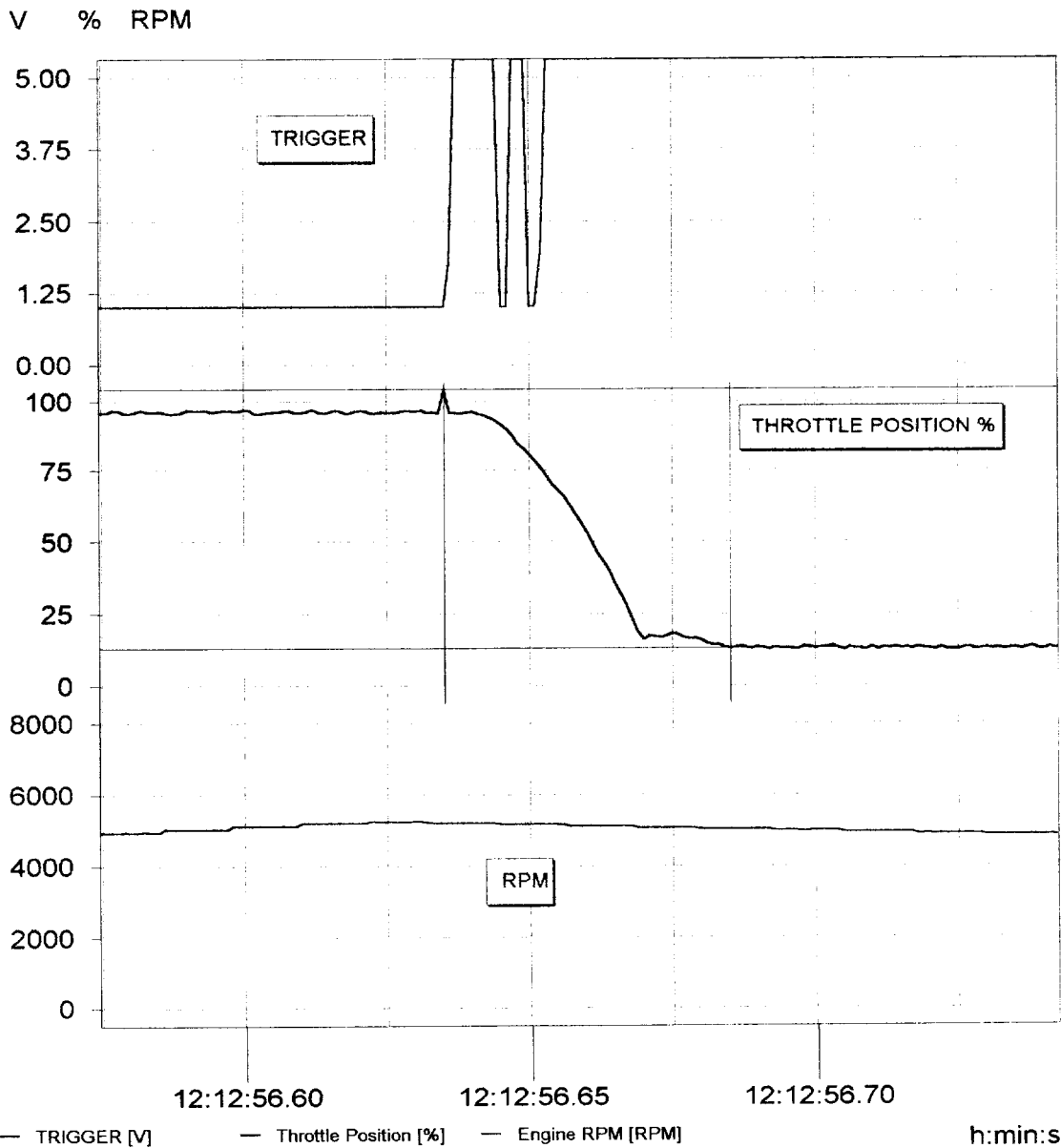
| | |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| Y1: 40.919 % | Y2: 13.380 % |
| t1: -26149.308 ms | t2: -26076.308 ms |
| dt: 0.073 s | f: 13.699 Hz |

FMVSS 124 THROTTLE RETURN TEST

124 COLD/SPRING 2 /100% WOT

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NHTSA C45300 HONDA ELEMENT



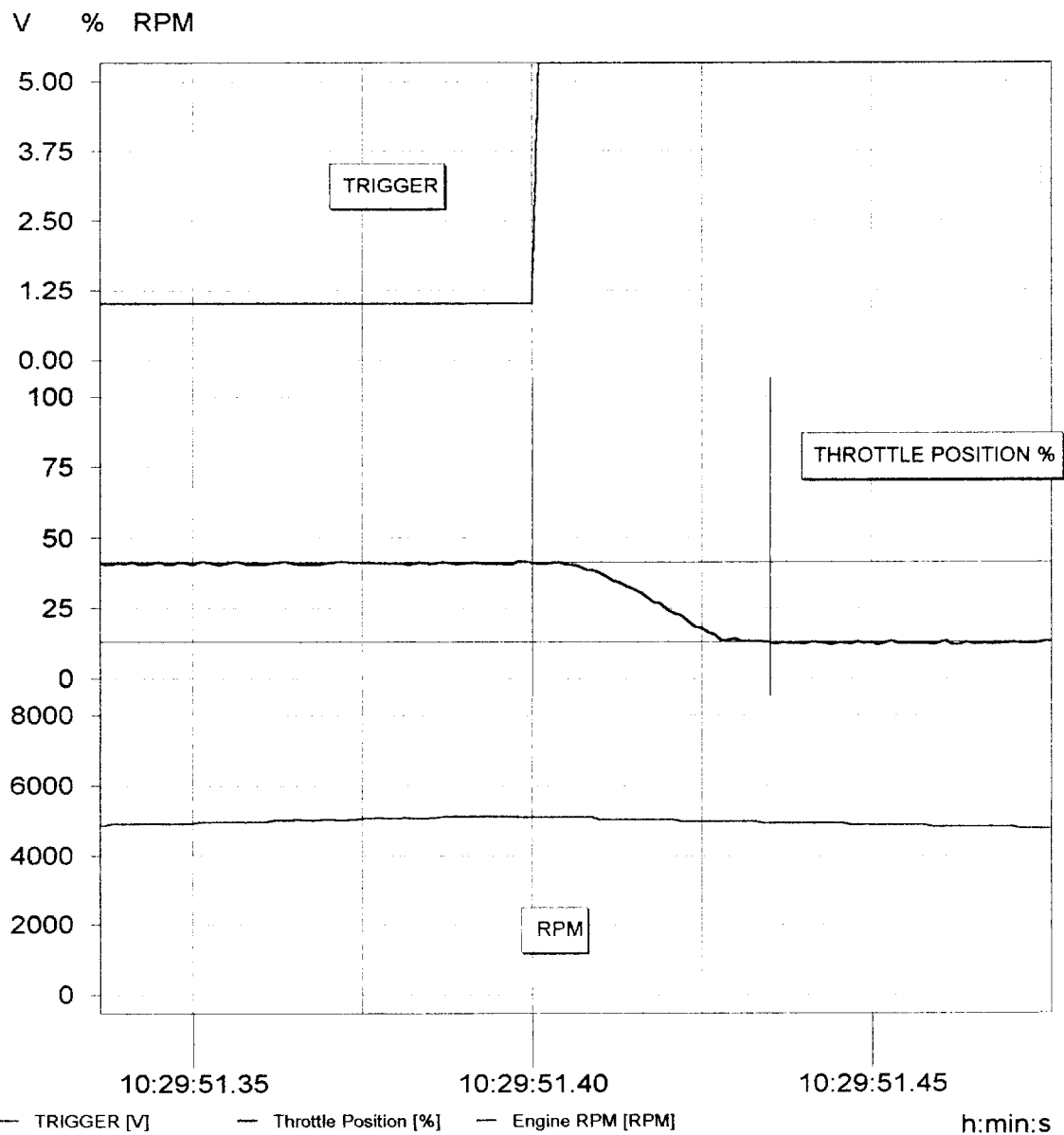
Channel: Throttle Position

Y1: 104.167 %
t1: -7057.308 ms
dt: 0.050 s

Y2: 12.846 %
t2: -7007.308 ms
f: 20.000 Hz

FMVSS 124 THROTTLE RETURN TEST
124 COLD/SPRING 3 /25% WOT 10:33:26 AM 5/6/04

NHTSA C45300 HONDA ELEMENT

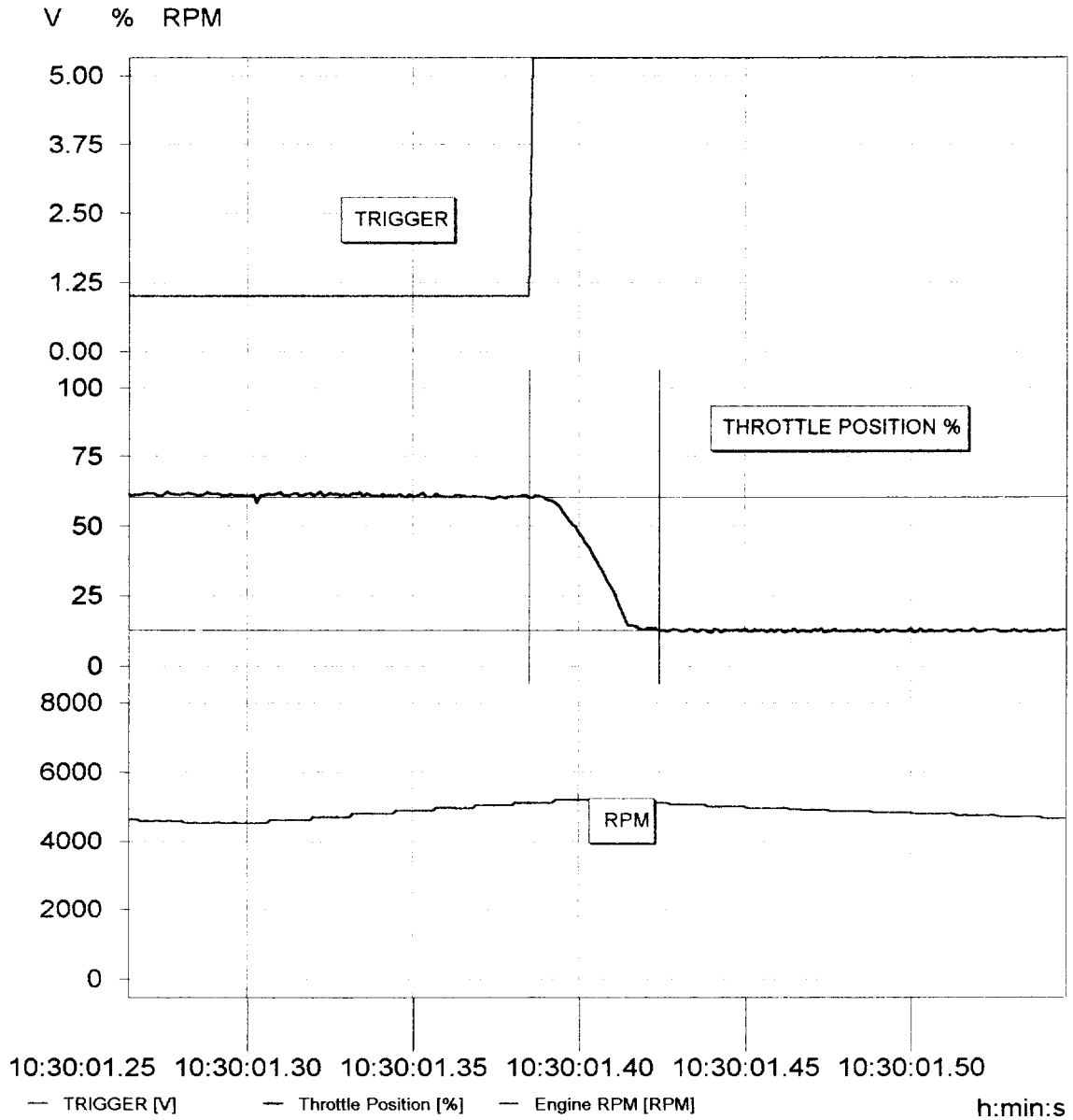


Channel: Throttle Position

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|-----|---------------|-----|---------------|
| Y1: | 41.008 % | Y2: | 12.938 % |
| t1: | -54660.977 ms | t2: | -54625.977 ms |
| dt: | 0.035 s | f: | 28.571 Hz |

FMVSS 124 THROTTLE RETURN TEST
124 COLD/SPRING 3 /50% WOT 10:35:00 AM 5/6/04

NHTSA C45300 HONDA ELEMENT

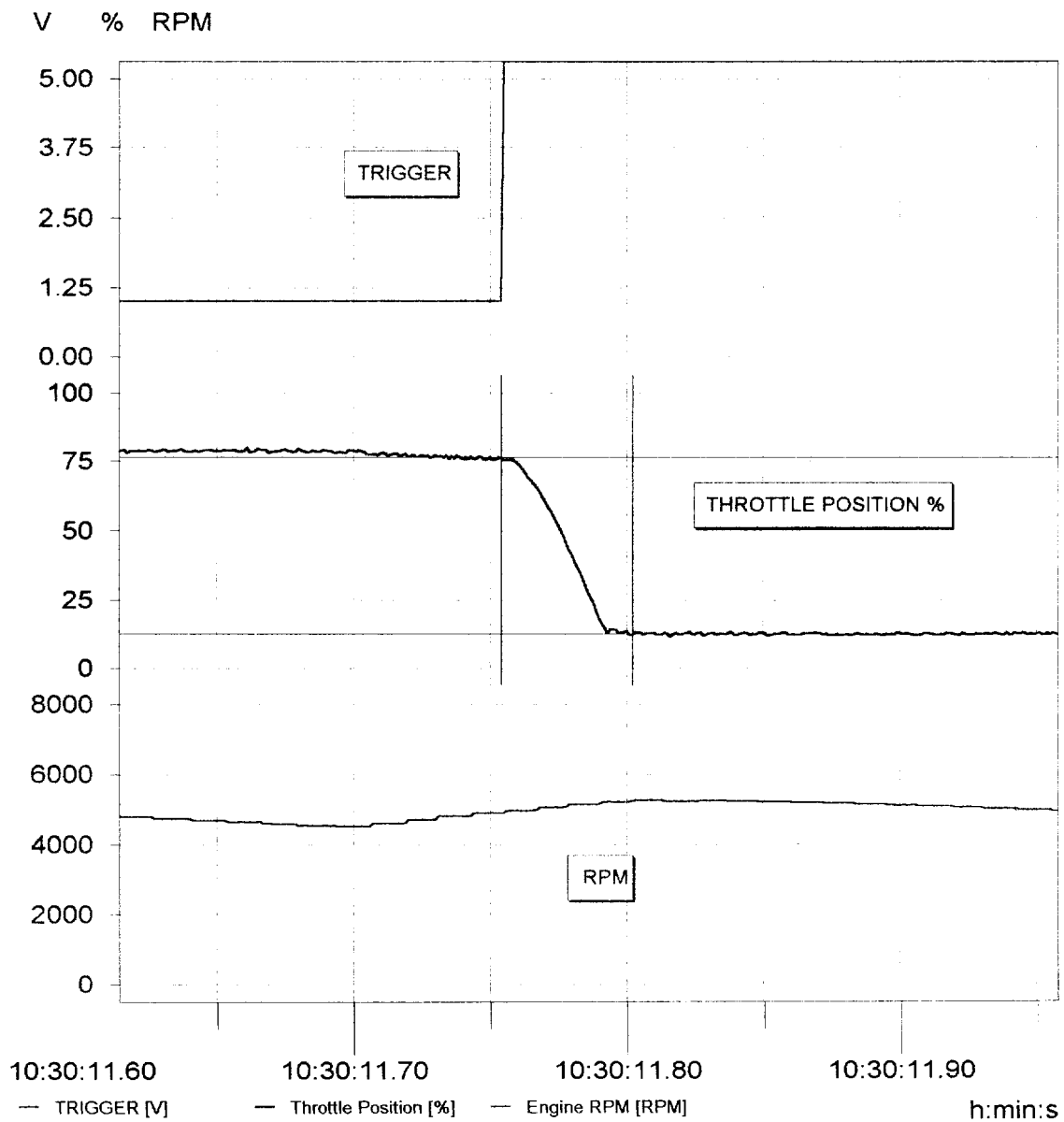


Channel: Throttle Position

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|-----|---------------|-----|---------------|
| Y1: | 60.307 % | Y2: | 12.801 % |
| t1: | -44675.977 ms | t2: | -44636.977 ms |
| dt: | 0.039 s | f: | 25.641 Hz |

FMVSS 124 THROTTLE RETURN TEST
124 COLD/SPRING 3 /75% WOT 10:36:46 AM 5/6/04

NHTSA C45300 HONDA ELEMENT



Channel: Throttle Position

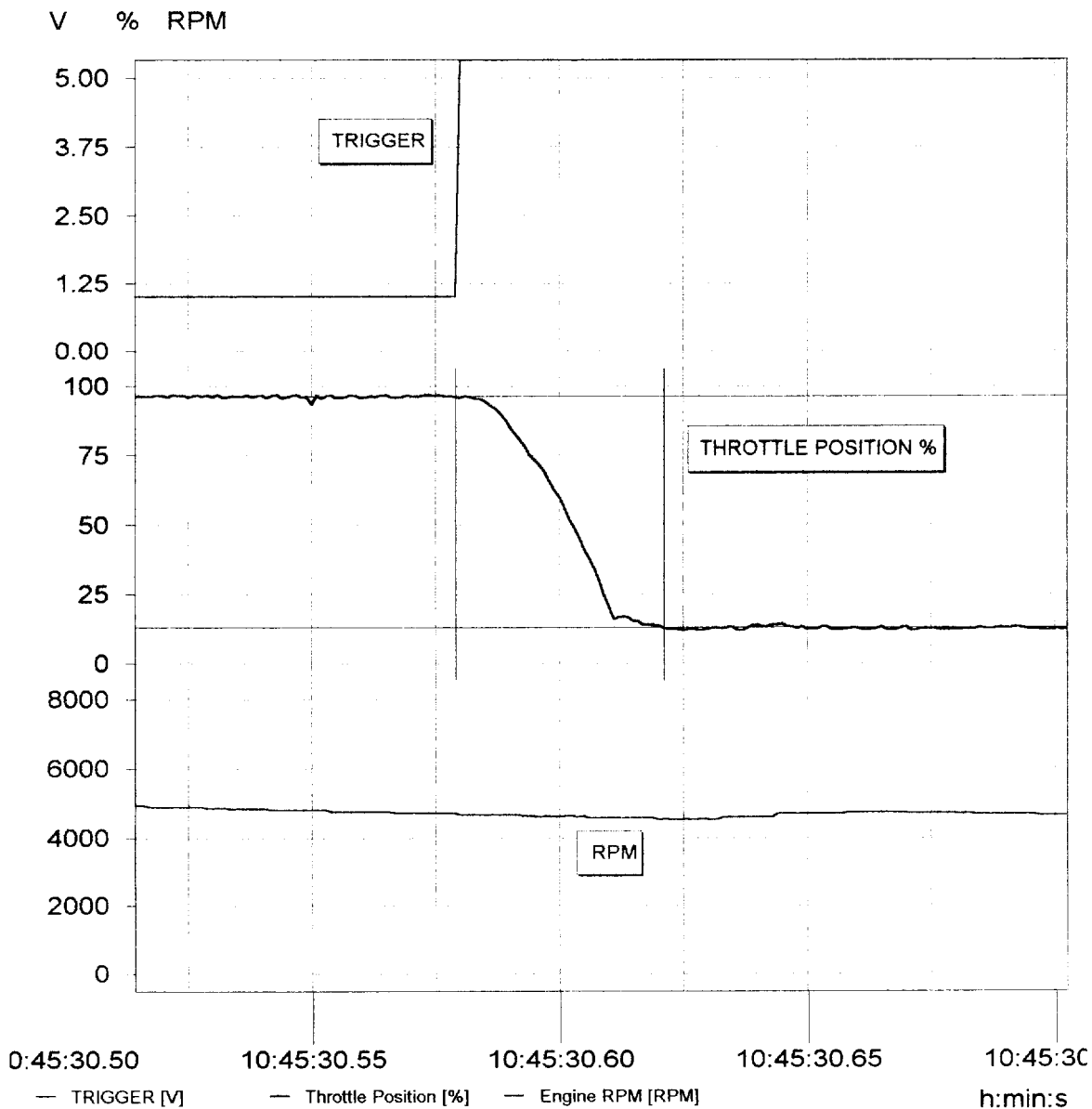
| | |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| Y1: 76.275 % | Y2: 12.582 % |
| t1: -34306.977 ms | t2: -34258.977 ms |
| dt: 0.048 s | f: 20.833 Hz |

FMVSS 124 THROTTLE RETURN TEST

124 COLD/SPRING 3 /100% WOT

10:47:00 AM 5/6/04

NHTSA C45300 HONDA ELEMENT



Channel: Throttle Position

Y1: 96.108 %
t1: -5420.756 ms
dt: 0.042 s

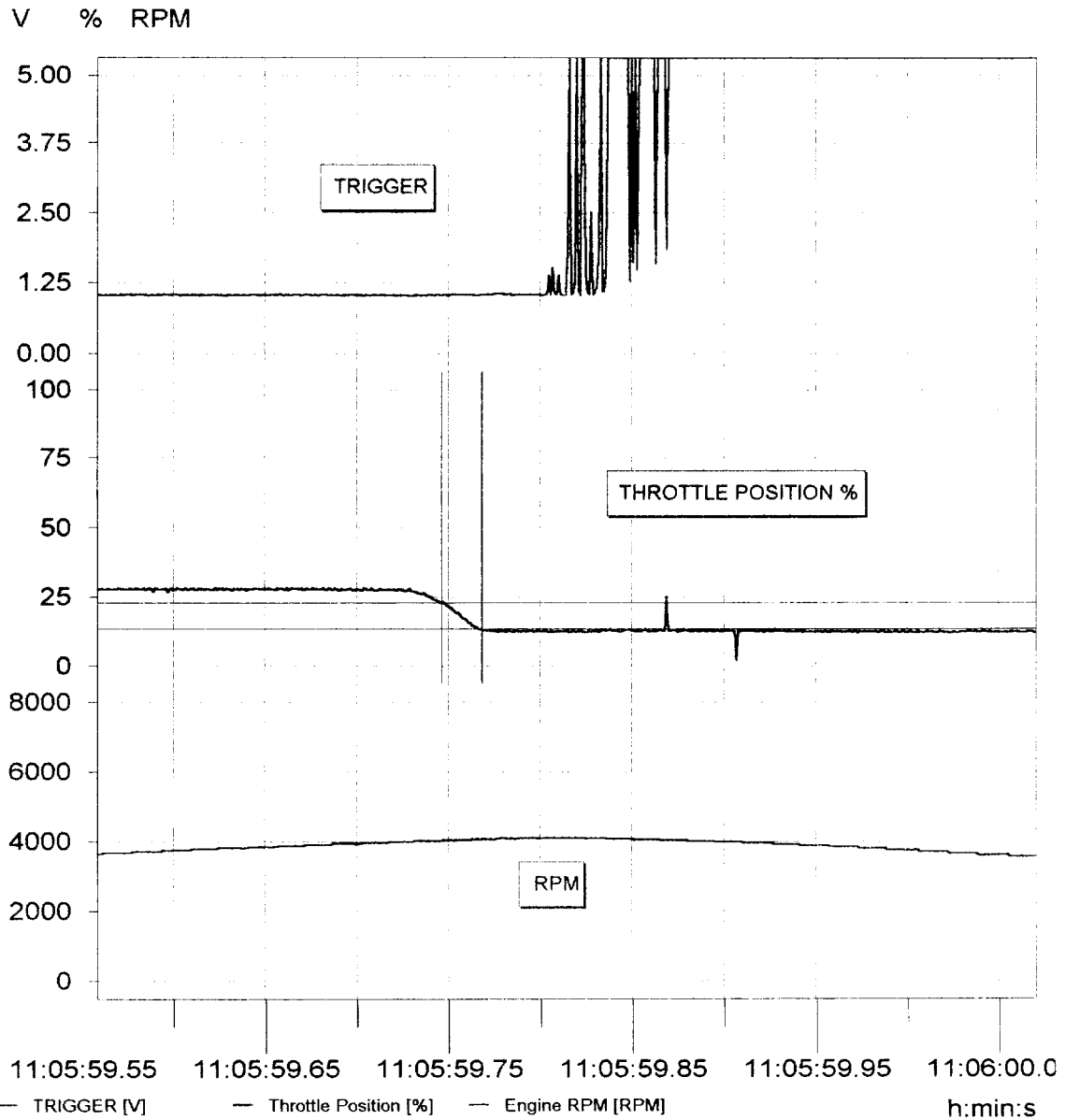
Y2: 12.884 %
t2: -5378.756 ms
f: 23.810 Hz

FMVSS 124 THROTTLE RETURN TEST

124 COLD/SEVERED/25% WOT

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NHTSA C45300 HONDA ELEMENT



Channel: Throttle Position

Y1: 22.799 %
t1: -2330.923 ms
dt: 0.022 s

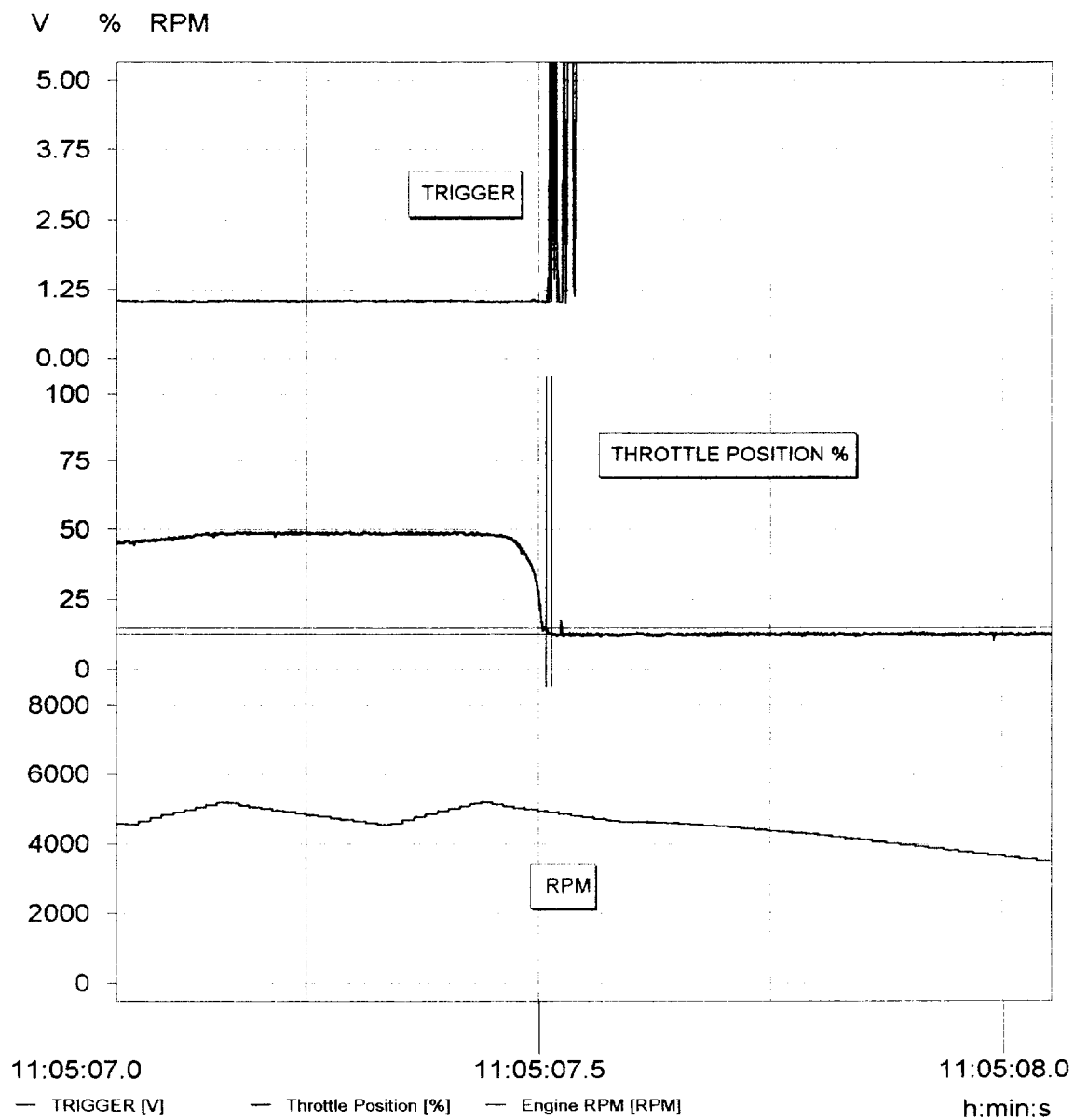
Y2: 13.177 %
t2: -2308.923 ms
f: 45.455 Hz

FMVSS 124 THROTTLE RETURN TEST

124 COLD/SEVERED/50% WOT

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NHTSA C45300 HONDA ELEMENT



Channel: Throttle Position

Y1: 14.909 %
t1: -54568.923 ms
dt: 0.006 s

Y2: 12.827 %
t2: -54562.923 ms
f: 166.667 Hz

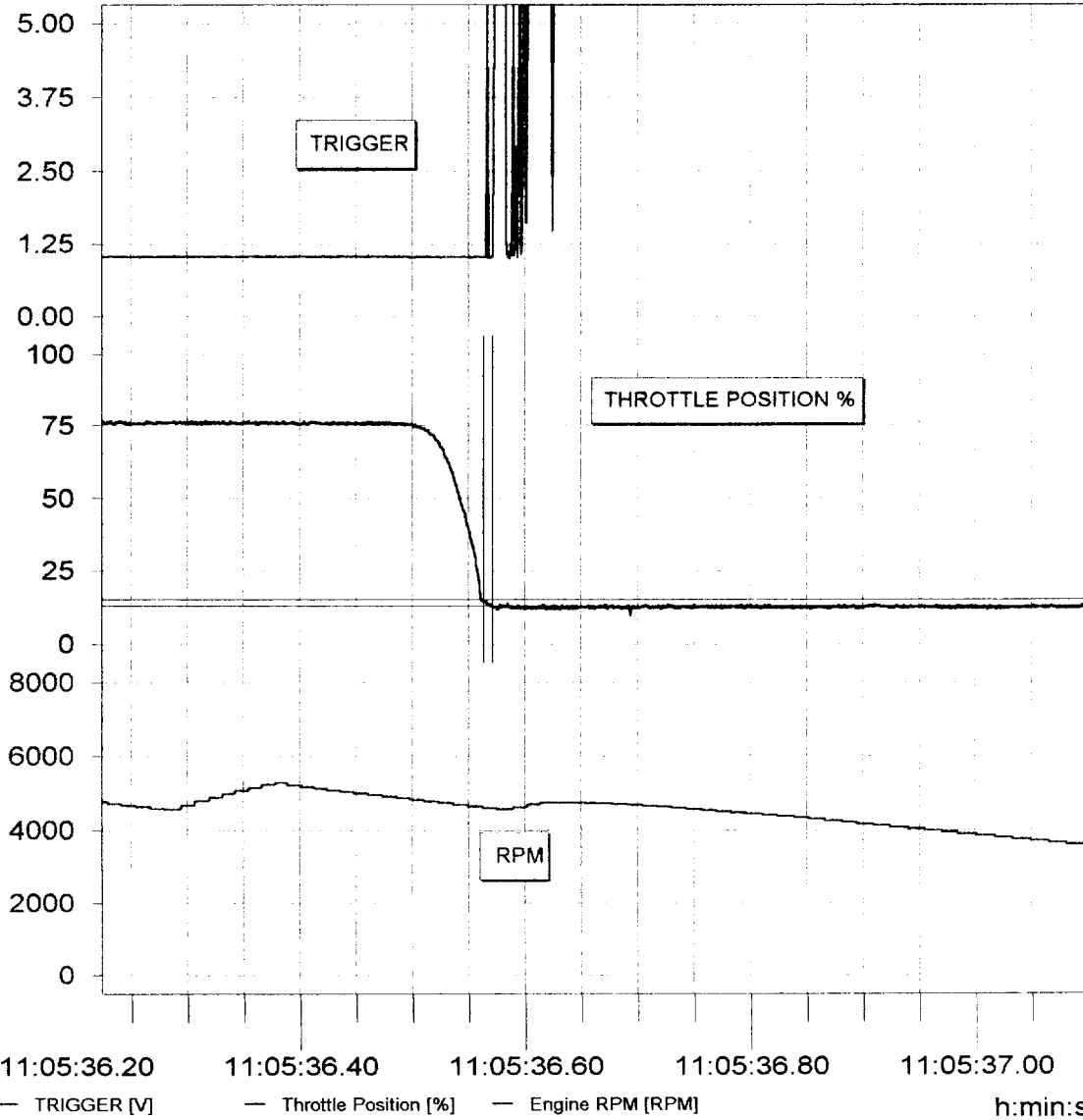
FMVSS 124 THROTTLE RETURN TEST

124 COLD/SEVERED/75% WOT

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NHTSA C45300 HONDA ELEMENT

V % RPM



Channel: Throttle Position

Y1: 15.039 %
t1: -25513.923 ms
dt: 0.008 s

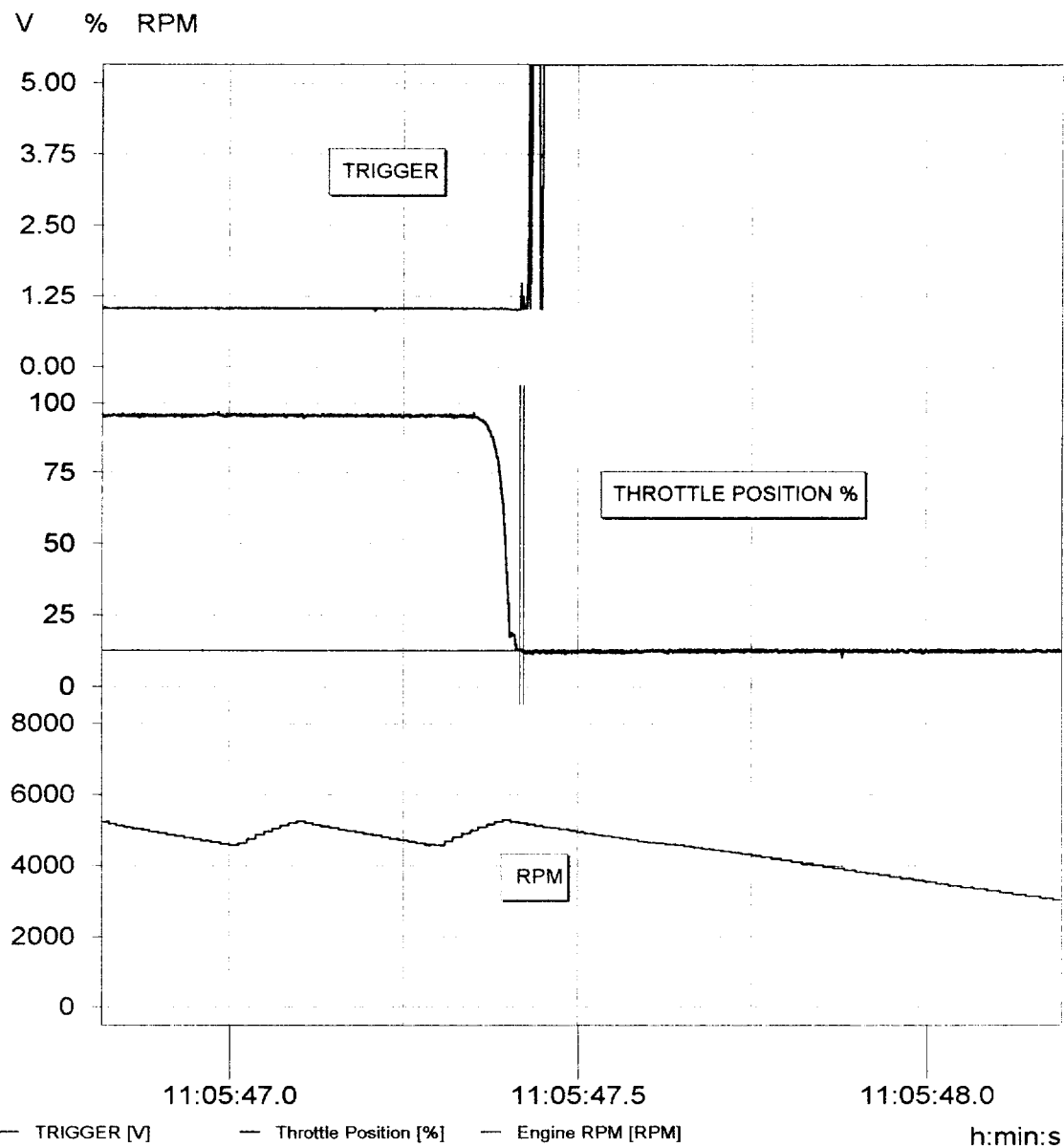
Y2: 12.970 %
t2: -25505.923 ms
f: 125.000 Hz

FMVSS 124 THROTTLE RETURN TEST

124 COLD/SEVERED/100% WOT

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NHTSA C45300 HONDA ELEMENT



Channel: Throttle Position

Y1: 12.808 %
t1: -14660.923 ms
dt: 0.006 s

Y2: 12.557 %
t2: -14654.923 ms
f: 166.667 Hz

SECTION 7
MANUFACTURER'S DRAWINGS

VEHICLE INFORMATION/TEST SPECIFICATIONS

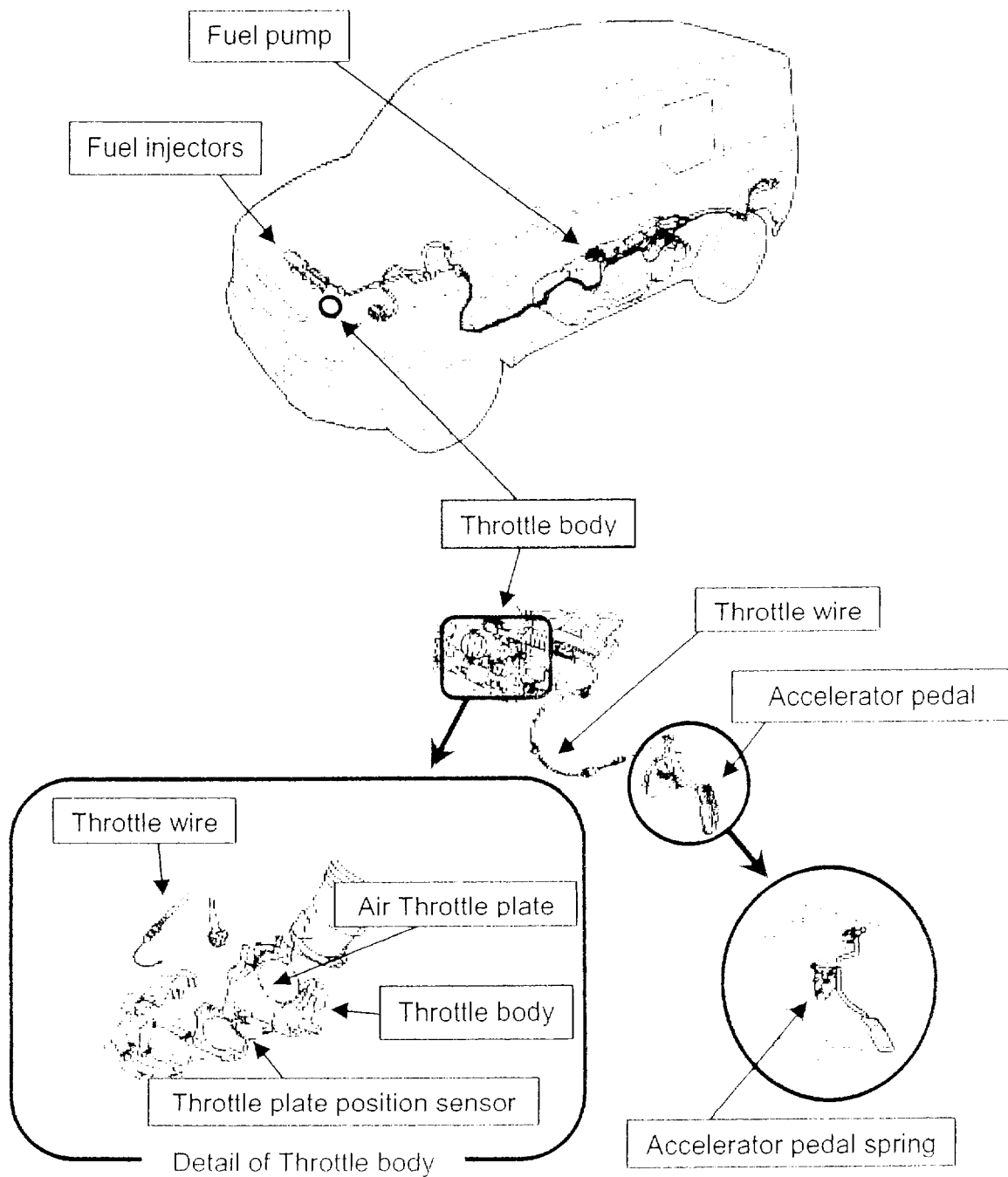
FMVSS 124 - Accelerator Control Systems

Requested Information:

- 1.) A sketch of the driver operated accelerator control system (ACS) starting from the accelerator pedal up to and including the fuel metering device (carburetor, fuel injectors, fuel distributor, or fuel injection pump).

Answer: Refer to Fig.1.

Fig.1 Accelerator Control System of 04M ELEMENT



- 2.) For Normal ACS operation, the method utilized to determine the engine idle state (air throttle plate position, fuel delivery rate, other).

Answer: Air Throttle Plate Position is used.

- 3.) For Fail-Safe operation of the ACS (disconnection or severance), the method utilized to determine return of engine power to the idle state (air throttle plate position, fuel delivery rate, air intake, engine rpm, other)

Answer: Air Throttle Plate Position is used.

- 4.) Is the vehicle ACS equipped with any of the following:

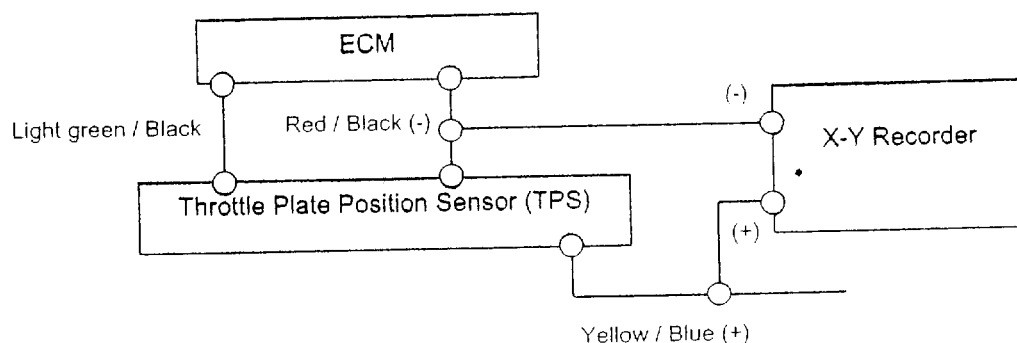
- A. Accelerator Pedal Position Sensor (APS)
- B. Throttle Plate Position Sensor (TPS)
- C. Electronic Control Module (ECM)
- D. Air throttle plate actuator motor

Answer: B. and C.

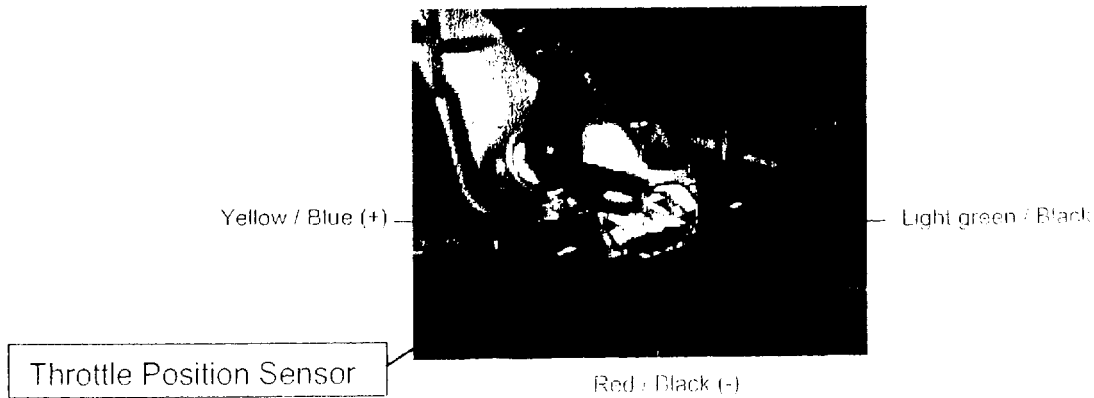
- 5.) If air throttle plate equipped, is there a procedure which can be utilized by the test laboratory to measure the position of the throttle plate by tapping into the TPS or ECM? If so, please describe.

Answer: Connect Recorder to TPS wire as shown in Fig.2. The WOT of the throttle is measured by first measuring the voltage at the idle position, which is set to 0%, and by setting voltage of the fully open throttle to 100%. Also, the throttle return time is measured by the voltage difference time of the throttle position sensor.

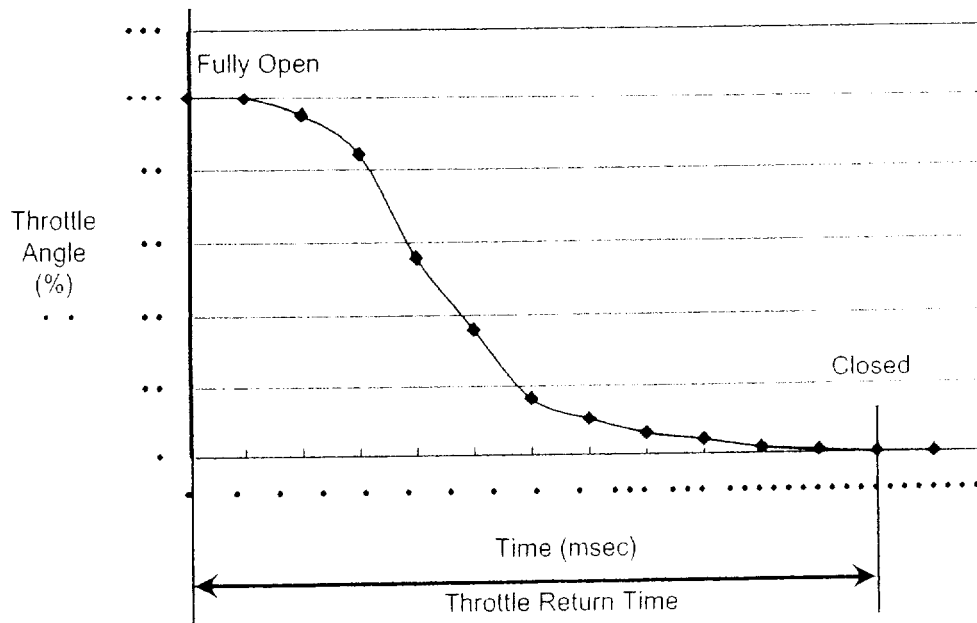
Connecting Method for Recorder (Fig.2)



Throttle Plate Position Sensor (Photo)



Example of the Throttle Return Time



6.) Point(s) chosen to demonstrate compliance with FMVSS 124 for single point disconnect and severance.

Answer: The Accelerator Pedal Spring is removed.



Accelerator Pedal Spring

- 7.) Where applicable, were connections in the ACS beyond the ECM such as the fuel injectors tested for disconnection and severance. If yes, provide details.

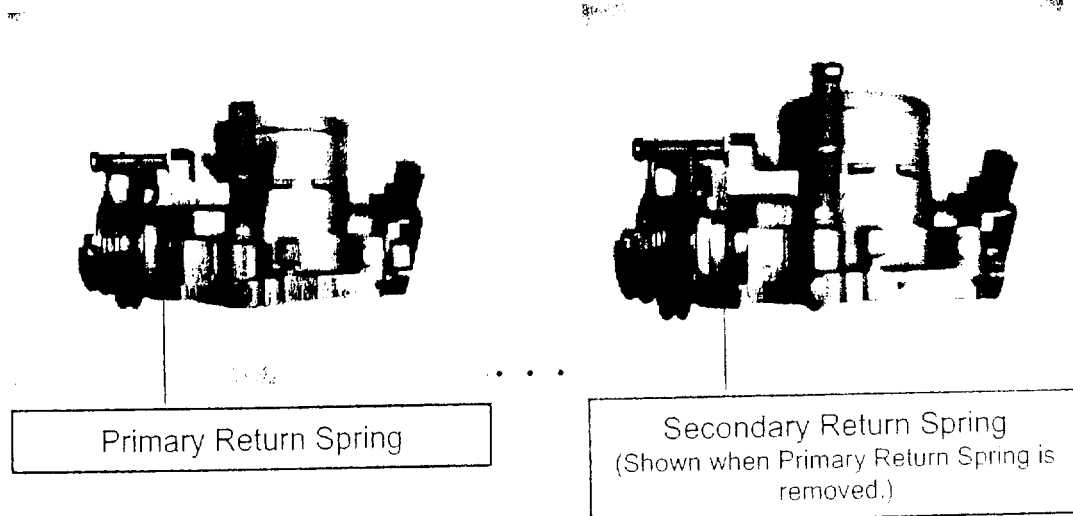
Answer: No

- 8.) Where applicable, were idle return times tested for electrical severance accompanied by shorting to ground? If yes, please provide details.

Answer: No

- 9.) All sources of return energy (springs) for the accelerator pedal and if applicable, the air throttle plate.

Answer: Primary Return Spring and Secondary Return Spring of Air Throttle Valve



- 10.) If fuel delivery rate is used to demonstrate return to idle state, provide:
A. The method used to measure this signal i.e. connection to standard SAE J1587 data bus.
B. Equipment required to measure signal.
C. Fuel rate signal output range at the idle state.

Answer: N.A.

- 11.) Is the ACS equipped with a limp home mode? If yes, provide operation description.

Answer: N.A.