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# SAFETY COMPLIANCE TESTING FOR FMVSS 124 ACCELERATOR CONTROL SYSTEMS

AUDI AG 2009 AUDI A6 4-DOOR SEDAN

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Compliance tests were conducted on the subject 2009 Audi A6 4-Door Sedan on July 24, 2009 in accordance with the specifications of the Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance Test Procedure No. TP-124-06 for the determination of FMVSS 124 compliance.

Test failures identified were as follows: None

The return times for some normal operation and fault conditions were greater than one second. In these cases, throttle angle position decreased rapidly followed by a controlled ramp down to the original idle position. Manufacturers sometimes use this ramp down strategy to improve emission control, which may be the cause here. No engine "racing" was observed at any point during the test.

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## **PURPOSE OF COMPLIANCE TEST**

#### 1.1 PURPOSE OF COMPLIANCE TEST

Tests were conducted on a 2009 Audi A6 4-Door Sedan manufactured by Audi AG, to determine if the tested vehicle meets the minimum performance requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) 124, "Accelerator Control Systems". FMVSS 124 establishes requirements for the return of a vehicle's throttle to the idle position when the actuating force is removed from the accelerator control or in the event of a severance or disconnection in the accelerator control system.

All tests were conducted in compliance with current National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance (OVSC) Laboratory Procedures, specifically, TP-124-06, dated April 2000. Detailed procedures for receiving, inspecting, testing and reporting of test results are described in the test procedures and are not repeated in this report.

#### TEST PROCEDURE

#### 2.1 COMPLIANCE TEST PROCEDURE

A 2009 Audi A6 4-Door Sedan was subjected to FMVSS 124 compliance testing. The tests were conducted at KARCO Engineering, LLC. in Adelanto, California on July 24, 2009. The following tests were performed:

- Inspection
- Time to Return to Idle Position (Complete Normal Operation)
- Time to Return to Idle Position (APS Disconnect)
- Time to Return to Idle Position (APS Spring 1 Removed)
- Time to Return to Idle Position (APS Spring 2 Removed)
- Time to Return to Idle Position (Individual APS Wires Open and Short-to-Ground)
- Time to Return to Idle Position (TPS Disconnect)
- Time to Return to Idle Position (Individual TPS Wires Open and Short-to-Ground)

The vehicle is equipped with an electronic throttle control system with an accelerator pedal position sensor (APS), a throttle position sensor (TPS), an electronic control module (ECM), and a throttle plate actuator motor.

Throttle return time requirements of FMVSS 124 are as follows:

Test Vehicle GVWR	Maximum Throttle Return Time
≤4536 kg	1 second
>4536 kg	2 seconds

#### 2.2 TEST SETUP

Each series of tests were conducted in the following manner: Throttle plate position was measured using the test vehicle's throttle position sensor (TPS) and a TDAS data acquisition system. The time base of the TDAS was used to determine throttle return time where possible. Engine coolant temperature was monitored by placing a thermocouple in the engine coolant, coupled to a digital temperature readout. Engine RPM was monitored using the vehicle's tachometer. Accelerator demand was measured at the accelerator pedal sensor (APS) using a digital voltmeter. Voltage readings were recorded for zero demand, as well as 100% demand (WOT), and then points were calculated for 25%, 50% and 75% demand. Time zero for each test was the instant that accelerator pedal demand was removed, which in the case of an induced electrical fault (APS or TPS individual wire open or grounding, APS or TPS disconnect) was simultaneous to the induced fault condition.

#### SUMMARY OF COMPLIANCE TEST

#### 3.1 TEST DATA SUMMARY

Testing was performed on the subject 2009 Audi A6 4-Door Sedan on July 24, 2009 to determine compliance with FMVSS 124 "Accelerator Control Systems". The subject vehicle was equipped with a "Drive-By-Wire" accelerator control system. Tests were conducted in the normal operating condition as well as in the following induced system failure modes: throttle return energy removal (APS Spring 1 and 2), electrical system disconnects (APS and TPS electrical connectors), electrical system open circuits (TPS and APS wires), and electrical system circuits shorted to ground (TPS and APS wires).

The return times for some normal operation and fault conditions were greater than one second. In these cases, throttle angle position decreased rapidly followed by a controlled ramp down to the original idle position. Manufacturers sometimes use this ramp down strategy to improve emission control, which may be the cause here. No engine "racing" was observed at any point during the test. Complete data on the testing performed is available in Data Sheet No. 3 of this report.

## **COMPLIANCE TEST DATA**

Test Vehicle:	2009 Audi A6 4-Door Sedan	_ NHTSA No.: _	C95800
Test Program:	FMVSS 124 Accelerator Control Systems	Test Date:	7/24/09

## **CONVERSION FACTORS USED IN THIS REPORT\***

Quantity	Typical Application	Std Units	Metric Unit	Multiply By
Mass	Vehicle Weight	lb	kg	0.4536
Linear Velocity	Impact Velocity	mile/h	km/h	1.609344
Length or Distance	Measurements	in	mm	25.4
Volume	Fuel Systems	gal	liter	3.785
Volume	Small Fluids	OZ	mL	29.573
Pressure	Tire Pressures	lbf/in <sup>2</sup>	kPa	7.0
Volume	Liquid	gal	liter	3.785
Temperature	General Use	°F	°C	=(tf -32)/1.8
Force	Dynamic Forces	lbf	N	4.448
Moment	Torque	lbf/ft	Nm	1.355

#### DATA SHEET NO. 1

## GENERAL TEST AND VEHICLE PARAMETER DATA

Test Vehicle:2009 Audi A6 4-Door SedanNHTSA No.:C95800Test Program:FMVSS 124 Accelerator Control SystemsTest Date:7/24/09

## **TEST VEHICLE INFORMATION AND OPTIONS**

	TEST VEHICLE INFO
NHTSA No.	C95800
Make	Audi
Model	A6
Body Style	4-Door Sedan
Vin No.	WAUCH74F29N022298
Color	Blue/ Grey
Delivery Date	7/3/2009
Odometer (Miles)	1026.0
Dealer	Unknown
Transmission	Automatic
Final Drive	Front
Type/No. Cyl.	6-Cylinder
Engine Disp. (L)	3.2
Engine Placement	Longitudinal
Roof Rack	No
Sunroof/T-Top	Yes
Tinted Glass	No
Traction Control	Yes
Power Brakes	Yes
Front Disc	Yes
Rear Disc	Yes

Anti-Lock Brakes	Yes
All Wheel Drive	No
Power Steering	Yes
Driver Front Airbag	Yes
Driver Side Torso Airbag	Yes
Driver Side Head Airbag	No
Driver Curtain/Airbag	Yes
Rear Pass. Airbag	No
Rear Pass. Side Airbag	No
Rear Pass. Head Airbag	No
Rear Pass. Curtain/Airbag	Yes
Pre-Tensioners	Yes
Load Limiters	Yes
Bucket Seats	Yes
Air Cond.	Yes
AM/FM CD	Yes
Tilt Steering	Yes
Automatic Door Locks	Yes
Power Windows	Yes
Power Seats	Yes
Other	N/A

Does Owners Manual provide instructions to turn off automatic door locks.

## **DATA FROM CERTIFICATION LABEL**

Manufactured By	Audi AG
Date of Manufacture	Oct-08

GVWR (kg)	2264
GAWR Front (kg)	1190
GAWR Rear (kg)	1175

## **VEHICLE SEATING AND CAPACITY WEIGHT INFORMATION**

Measured Parameter	Front	Rear	Third	Total
Type of Seats	Bucket	Bench		
Number of Occupants	2	3		5
Capacity Weight (VCW) (kg)				412.0

## DATA SHEET NO. 2

## **VEHICLE THROTTLE CONTROL DATA**

Test Vehicle: _	2009 Audi A6 4-Door Sedan	NHTSA No.: _	C95800
Test Program: _	FMVSS 124 Accelerator Control Systems	Test Date:	7/24/09

## THROTTLE CONTROL SYSTEM INFORMATION

Throttle Control System Description	Drive by Wire
Describe sources of energy to return	2 Springs on APS
throttle to idle position	2 Springs on AFS
Accelerator Throttle Position Sensor	Yes
Electronic Control Module	Yes
Throttle Plate Actuator Motor	Yes
Throttle Plate Position Sensor	Yes

## WIRE DESCRIPTION

APS Wire Number	Color	TPS Wire Number	Color
1	Brown/ Green	1	Purple/ Red
2	Yellow/ Purple	2	Black/ White
3	Brown/ Red	3	Red/ Purple
4	Yellow/ Blue	4	White/ Yellow
5	Yellow/ Grey	5	Brown/ Purple
6	Brown	6	Grey/ White

## DATA SHEET NO. 3 SUMMARY OF TEST REQUIREMENTS AND RESULTS

Test Vehicle:	2009 Audi A6 4-Door Sedan	NHTSA No.:	C95800	
Test Program:	FMVSS 124 Accelerator Control Systems	Test Date:	07/24/09	

Test Description / Connector	Engine Temp. (F)	Idle RPM / Throttle Position %	Return Time (msec)	Pass/Fail
(Normal Operation)	190	650 / 1%	1120.0	See note 1 & 2
(Normal Operation)	190	650 / 1%	1940.0	See note 1 & 2
(Normal Operation)	190	650 / 1%	1680.0	See note 1 & 2
(Normal Operation)	190	650 / 1%	1490.0	See note 1 & 2
(APS Spring 1 Disconnected)	190	650 / 1%	1110.0	See note 1 & 2
(APS Spring 1 Disconnected)	190	650 / 1%	1530.0	See note 1 & 2
(APS Spring 1 Disconnected)	190	650 / 1%	1070.0	See note 1 & 2
(APS Spring 1 Disconnected)	190	650 / 1%	870.0	Pass/ See note 1
(APS Spring 2 Disconnected)	190	650 / 1%	980.0	Pass/ See note 1
(APS Spring 2 Disconnected)	190	650 / 1%	650.0	Pass/ See note 1
(APS Spring 2 Disconnected)	190	650 / 1%	620.0	Pass/ See note 1
(APS Spring 2 Disconnected)	190	650 / 1%	570.0	Pass/ See note 1
(APS Wire 1 Open)	190	650 / 1%	1290.0	See note 1 & 2
(APS Wire 2 Open)	190	650 / 1%	1640.0	See note 1 & 2
(APS Wire 3 Open)	190	650 / 1%	1510.0	See note 1 & 2
(APS Wire 4 Open)	190	650 / 1%	1170.0	See note 1 & 2
(APS Wire 5 Open)	190	650 / 1%	690.0	Pass/ See note 1

<sup>(1)</sup> Throttle plate would only open to approximately 10% irrespective of the accelerator pedal position

<sup>(2)</sup> The return times for some normal operation and fault conditions resulted in return time greater than 1 second. In these cases, throttle angle position decreased rapidly followed by a controlled ramp down to the original idle position. Manufacturers sometimes use this ramp- down strategy for improved emission control which may be the case here. No engine "racing" was observed at any point in the testing.

## DATA SHEET NO. 3...(Continued) SUMMARY OF TEST REQUIREMENTS AND RESULTS

Test Vehicle:	2009 Audi A6 4-Door Sedan	NHTSA No.:	C95800	
Test Program:	FMVSS 124 Accelerator Control Systems	Test Date:	07/24/09	

Test Description / Connector	Engine Temp. (F)	Idle RPM / Throttle Position %	Return Time (msec)	Pass/Fail
(APS Wire 6 Open)	190	650 / 1%	1170.0	See note 1 & 2
(APS Wire 1 Short)	190	650 / 1%	1090.0	See note 1 & 2
(APS Wire 2 Short)	190	650 / 1%	170.0	Pass/ See note 1
(APS Wire 3 Short)	190	650 / 1%	1440.0	See note 1 & 2
(APS Wire 4 Short)	190	650 / 1%	1670.0	See note 1 & 2
(APS Wire 5 Short)	190	650 / 1%	1200.0	See note 1 & 2
(APS Wire 6 Short)	190	650 / 1%	1040.0	See note 1 & 2
(APS Disconnect)	190	650 / 1%	1750.0	See note 1 & 2
(TPS Wire 1 Open)	190	650 / 1%	#N/A	See note 4
(TPS Wire 2 Open)	190	650 / 1%	150.0	Pass/ See note 1
(TPS Wire 3 Open)	190	650 / 1%	320.0	Pass/ See note 1
(TPS Wire 4 Open)	190	650 / 1%	900.0	Pass/ See note 1
(TPS Wire 5 Open)	190	650 / 1%	#N/A	See note 3
(TPS Wire 6 Open)	190	650 / 1%	#N/A	See note 4
(TPS Wire 1 Short)	190	650 / 1%	160.0	Pass/ See note 1
(TPS Wire 2 Short)	190	650 / 1%	530.0	Pass/ See note 1
(TPS Wire 3 Short)	190	650 / 1%	140.0	Pass/ See note 1
(TPS Wire 4 Short)	190	650 / 1%	870.0	Pass/ See note 1

<sup>(1)</sup> Throttle plate would only open to approximately 10% irrespective of the accelerator pedal position

<sup>(2)</sup> The return times for some normal operation and fault conditions resulted in return time greater than 1 second. In these cases, throttle angle position decreased rapidly followed by a controlled ramp down to the original idle position. Manufacturers sometimes use this ramp- down strategy for improved emission control which may be the case here. No engine "racing" was observed at any point in the testing.

<sup>(3)</sup> Throttle never returned to baseline position

<sup>(4)</sup> Induced wire fault caused loss of throttle sensor reading

## DATA SHEET NO. 3...(Continued) SUMMARY OF TEST REQUIREMENTS AND RESULTS

Test Vehicle:	2009 Audi A6 4-Door Sedan	NHTSA No.:	C95800	
Test Program:	FMVSS 124 Accelerator Control Systems	Test Date:	07/24/09	

Test Description / Connector	Engine Temp. (F)	Idle RPM / Throttle Position %	Return Time (msec)	Pass/Fail
(TPS Wire 5 Short)	190	650 / 1%	230.0	Pass/ See note 1
(TPS Wire 6 Short)	190	650 / 1%	2160.0	See note 1 & 2
(TPS/ Throttle Plate Motor Disconnect)	200	650 / 1%	#N/A	See note 3

<sup>(1)</sup> Throttle plate would only open to approximately 10% irrespective of the accelerator pedal position

<sup>(2)</sup> The return times for some normal operation and fault conditions resulted in return time greater than 1 second. In these cases, throttle angle position decreased rapidly followed by a controlled ramp down to the original idle position. Manufacturers sometimes use this ramp- down strategy for improved emission control which may be the case here. No engine "racing" was observed at any point in the testing.

<sup>(3)</sup> Induced wire fault caused loss of throttle sensor reading

# APPENDIX A PHOTOGRAPHS



2009 AUDI A6 NHTSA NO. C95800 FMVSS NO. 124

Figure A-1: Front View of Vehicle



NHTSA NO. C95800 FMVSS NO. 124

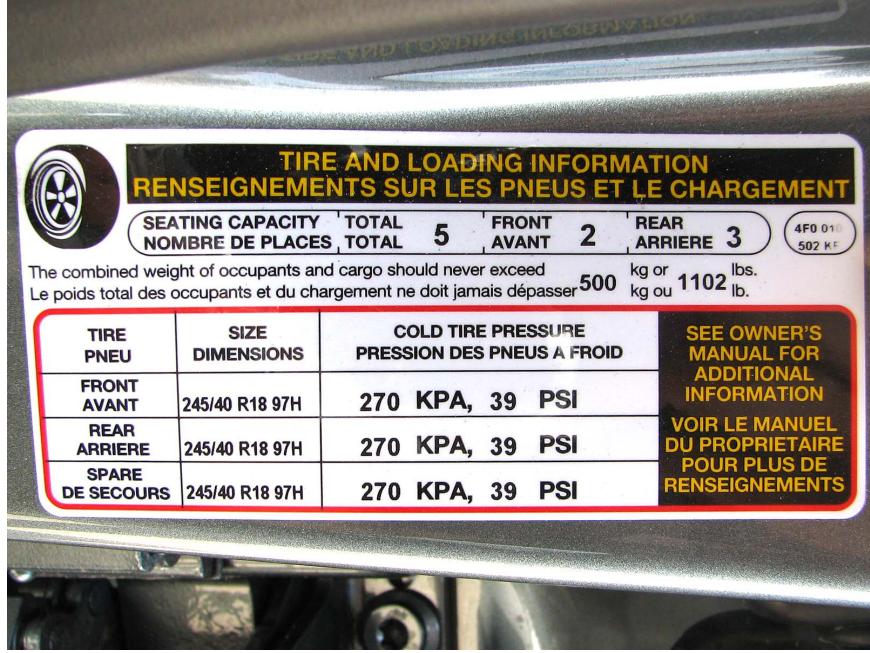


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Figure A-4: Vehicle's Certification Label



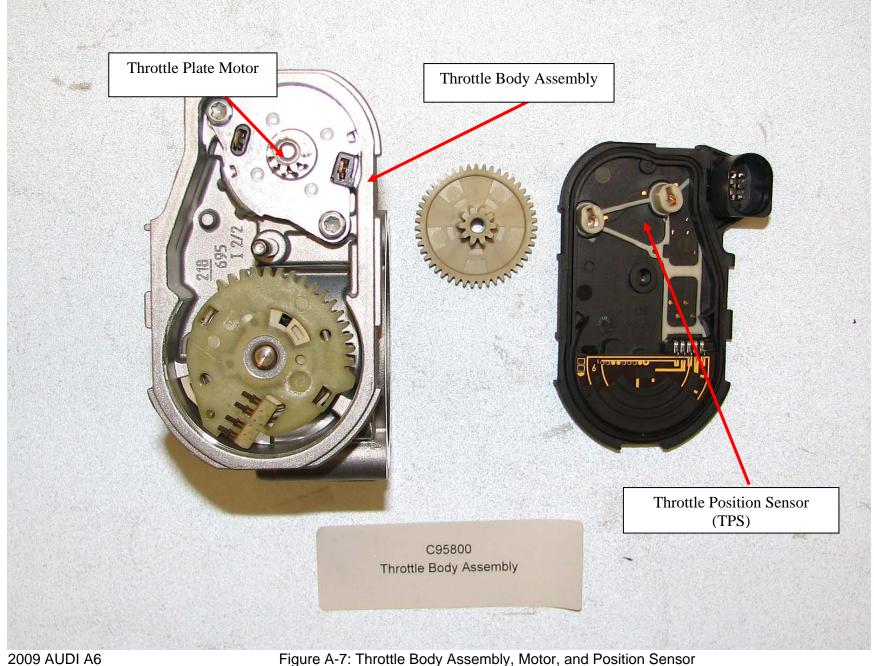
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Figure A-5: Vehicle's Tire Placard



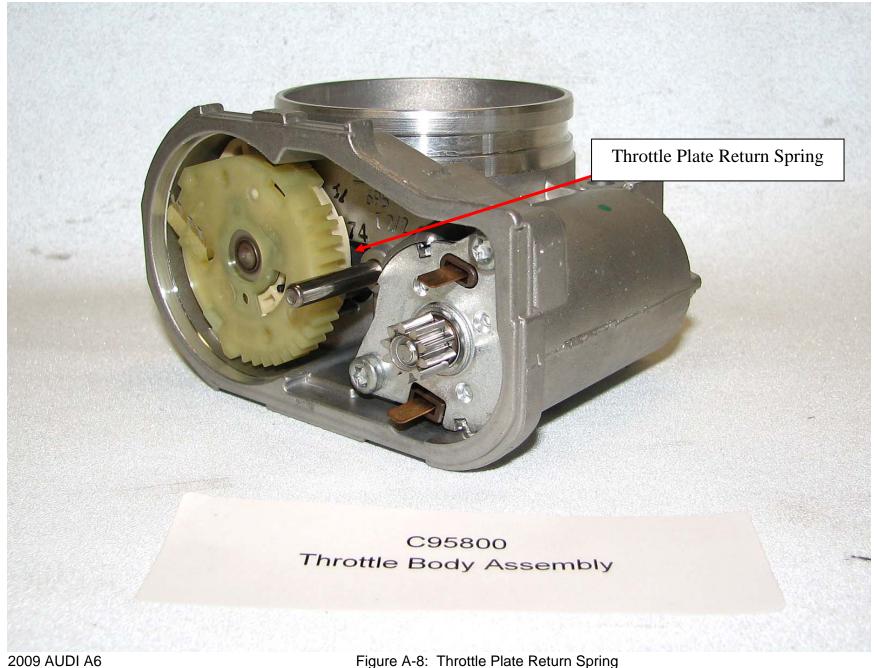
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Figure A-6: Throttle Body Assembly



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Figure A-7: Throttle Body Assembly, Motor, and Position Sensor



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Figure A-8: Throttle Plate Return Spring



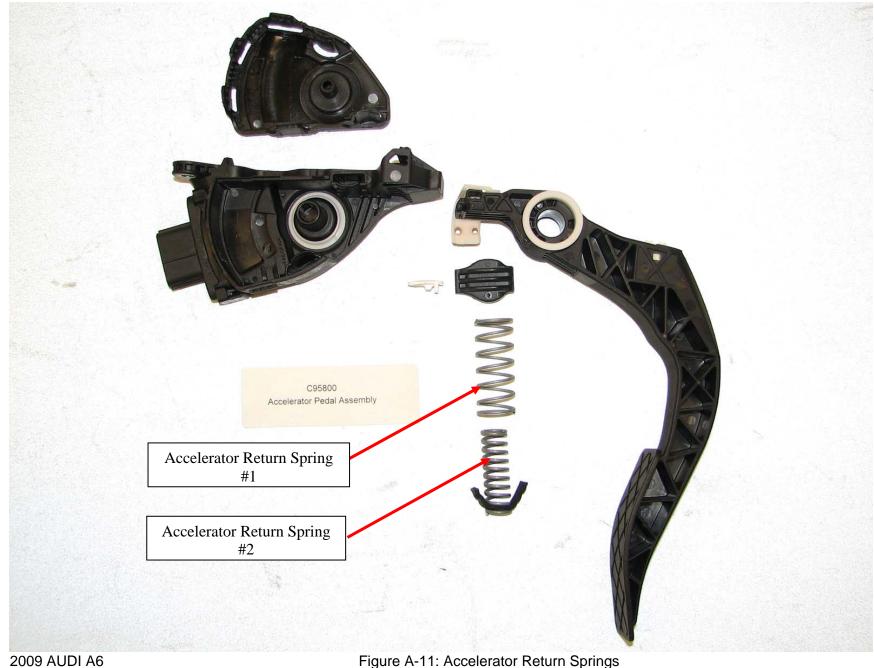
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Figure A-9: Throttle Body Test Setup



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Figure A-10: Accelerator Pedal Assembly



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Figure A-11: Accelerator Return Springs



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Figure A-12: Accelerator Pedal Test Setup



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Figure A-13: Vehicle Test Setup



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Figure A-14: Instrumentation

APPENDIX B
DATA PLOTS

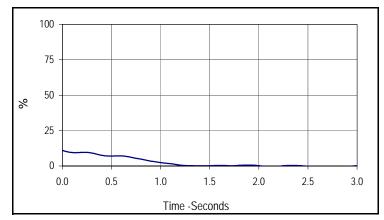
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Curve Description									
Throttle Position (Normal Operation)									
CURNO	Type	Filter Freq Units							
001	FIL	2 %							
Max	Time	Return Time (msec)							
11.0									

Throttle % reading at baseline (idle) is 1% All return times were calculated at a return to 1%

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	75 -									
%	50 -									
	25 -									
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	Time -Seconds									

Curve Description								
Throttle Position (Normal Operation)								
Type	Filter Freq Units							
FIL	2 %							
Time	Return Time (msec)							
13.3 0.0 1940.0								
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	Time -Seconds									

Curve Description								
Throttle Position (Normal Operation)								
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Max	Time	Return Time (msec)						
12.5 0.0 1680.0								

Throttle % reading at baseline (idle) is 1% All return times were calculated at a return to 1%

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	75 -								
%	50 -								
	25 -								
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Curve Descrip	otion	·					
Throttle Position (Normal Operation)							
CURNO	Туре	Filter Freq Units					
004	FIL	2 %					
Max	Time	Return Time (msec)					
11.3	0.0	1490.0					

Throttle % reading at baseline (idle) is 1% All return times were calculated at a return to 1% Test Vehicle:

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Test Program:

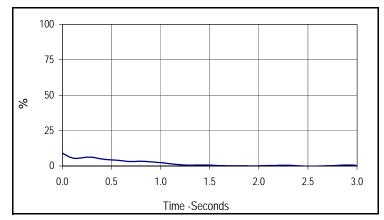
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	Curve Description									
I	Throttle Position (APS Spring 1 Disconnected)									
I	CURNO	Type	Filter Freq Units							
I	005	FIL	2 %							
I	Max	Time	Return Time (msec)							
I	9.1	0.0	1110.0							

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%	50 -												
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	Time -Seconds												

Curve Description								
Throttle Position (APS Spring 1 Disconnected)								
CURNO	Type	Filter Freq Units						
006	FIL	2 %						
Max	Time	Return Time (msec)						
10.7 0.0 1530.0								

Throttle % reading at baseline (idle) is 1% All return times were calculated at a return to 1%

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	75 -												
%	50 -												
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10.7 0.0 1070.0								

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Curve Description									
Throttle Position (APS Spring 1 Disconnected)									
CURNO	CURNO Type Filter Freq Units								
008	008 FIL 2 %								
Max Time Return Time (msec)									
10.1 0.0 870.0									

Throttle % reading at baseline (idle) is 1% All return times were calculated at a return to 1%

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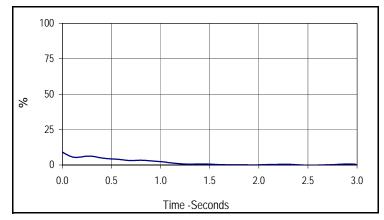
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Max	Max Time Return Time (msec)								
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Curve Description										
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CURNO	CURNO Type Filter Freq Units									
010	FIL	2	%							
Max	Max Time Return Time (msec)									
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Throttle Position (APS Spring 2 Disconnected)									
CURNO	CURNO Type Filter Freq Units								
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Max	Max Time Return Time (msec)								
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				Time	-Seconds			

Curve Description								
Throttle Position (APS Spring 2 Disconnected)								
CURNO	CURNO Type Filter Freq Units							
012	FIL	2	%					
Max Time Return Time (msec)								
10.1	10.1 0.0 870.0							

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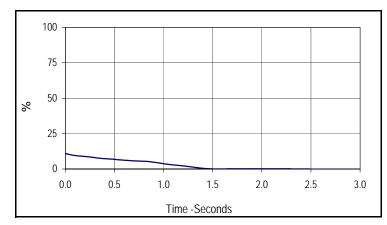
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Throttle Position (APS Wire 1 Open)									
CURNO	CURNO Type Filter Freq Units								
013	013 FIL 2 %								
Max Time Return Time (msec)									
10.9	10.9 0.0 1290.0								

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Throttle Position (APS Wire 2 Open)									
CURNO	CURNO Type Filter Freq Units								
014	FIL	2	%						
Max	Max Time Return Time (msec)								
10.4 0.0 1640.0									

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Time -Seconds							

Curve Description							
Throttle Position (APS Wire 3 Open)							
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015	FIL	2	%				
Max	Time	Return Time (msec)					
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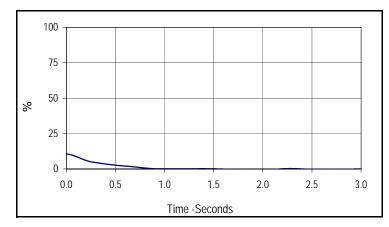
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Time -Seconds										

Curve Description						
Throttle Position (APS Wire 4 Open)						
CURNO	Type	Filter Freq	Units			
016	FIL	2	%			
Max	Time	Return Tir	me (msec)			
10.0	0.0	1170.0				

Throttle % reading at baseline (idle) is 1% All return times were calculated at a return to 1%

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Curve Description							
Throttle Position (APS Wire 5 Open)							
CURNO	Type	Filter Freq	Units				
017	FIL	2	%				
Max	Time	Return Tir	me (msec)				
10.7	0.0	690.0					

Throttle % reading at baseline (idle) is 1%
All return times were calculated at a return to 1%

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Curve Description							
Throttle Position (APS Wire 6 Open)							
CURNO	Type Filter Freq Unit						
018	FIL	2 %					
Max	Time	Return Time (msec)					
10.3	0.0	117	70.0				

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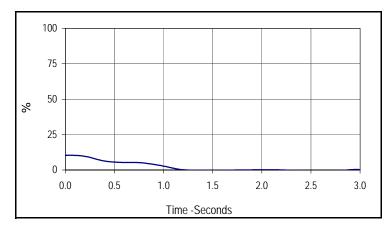
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Curve Description							
Throttle Position (APS Wire 1 Short)							
CURNO	Type Filter Freq Units						
019	FIL	2 %					
Max	Time	Return Time (msec)					
10.4	0.0	0.0 1090.0					

Throttle % reading at baseline (idle) is 1% All return times were calculated at a return to 1%

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	Time -Seconds												

Curve Description								
Throttle Position (APS Wire 2 Short)								
CURNO	Type Filter Freq Units							
020	FIL	2 %						
Max	Time	Return Time (msec)						
11.6	0.0 170.0							

Throttle % reading at baseline (idle) is 1% All return times were calculated at a return to 1%

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Throttle Position (APS Wire 3 Short)							
CURNO	Type Filter Freq Units						
021	FIL	2 %					
Max	Time	Return Time (msec)					
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Throttle % reading at baseline (idle) is 1% All return times were calculated at a return to 1%

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	Time -Seconds								

Curve Description								
Throttle Position (APS Wire 4 Short)								
CURNO	Type	Filter Freq Units						
022	FIL	2	%					
Max	Time	Return Time (msec)						
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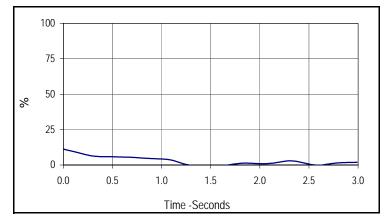
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Throttle Position (APS Wire 5 Short)								
CURNO	Type Filter Freq Units							
023	FIL	2 %						
Max	Time	Return Time (msec)						
11.2	11.2 0.0 1200.0							

Throttle % reading at baseline (idle) is 1% All return times were calculated at a return to 1%

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	25 -								
	0 -								
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	Time -Seconds								

Curve Description							
Throttle Posit	Throttle Position (APS Wire 6 Short)						
CURNO	CURNO Type Filter Freq Units						
024	FIL	2	%				
Max Time Return Time (msec)							
10.0 0.0 1040.0							

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	75 -							
%	50 -							
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Curve Description							
Throttle Posit	Throttle Position (APS Disconnect)						
CURNO	CURNO Type Filter Freq Units						
025	FIL	2	%				
Max Time Return Time (msec)							
11.1 0.0 *							

Throttle % reading at baseline (idle) is 1% All return times were calculated at a return to 1%

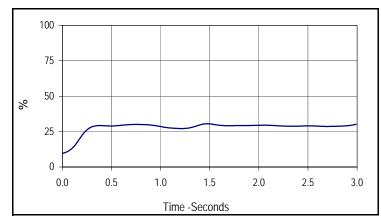
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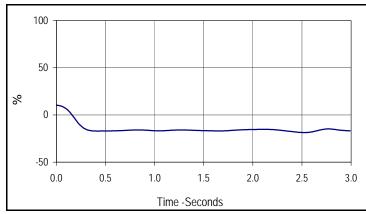




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Throttle Positi	ion (TPS Wire	e 1 Open)					
CURNO Type Filter Freq Units							
026	FIL	2	%				
Max Time Return Time (msec)							
30.5 1.5 *							

Throttle % reading at baseline (idle) is 1%

<sup>\*</sup>Induced wire fault caused loss of sensor reading



Curve Description								
Throttle Posit	Throttle Position (TPS Wire 2 Open)							
CURNO	CURNO Type Filter Freq Units							
027	FIL	2	%					
Max	Max Time Return Time (msec)							
10.4	10.4 0.0 150.0							

Throttle % reading at baseline (idle) is 1% All return times were calculated at a return to 1%

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	75 -												
%	50 -												
	25 -												
	0 -												
		.0	0.5	1.	.0	1.	5	2	.0	2	.5	3.	.0
	Time -Seconds												

Curve Description							
Throttle Posit	Throttle Position (TPS Wire 3 Open)						
CURNO	Type	Filter Freq	Units				
028	FIL	2	%				
Max	Max Time Return Time (msec)						
10.0 0.0 320.0							
	0.0		0.0				

Throttle % reading at baseline (idle) is 1% All return times were calculated at a return to 1%

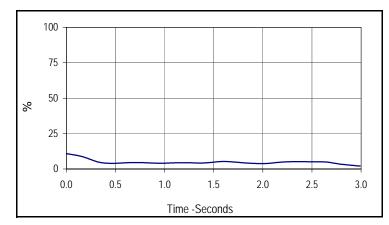
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	0	.0	0.5	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5	3.0
	Time -Seconds							

Curve Description								
Throttle Position (TPS Wire 4 Open)								
CURNO	CURNO Type Filter Freq Units							
029	FIL	2	%					
Max Time Return Time (msec)								
9.7	0.0	90	0.0					

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Curve Description								
Throttle Posit	Throttle Position (TPS Wire 5 Open)							
CURNO	CURNO Type Filter Freq Units							
030	FIL	2	%					
Max	Max Time Return Time (msec)							
10.9 0.0 *								

Throttle % reading at baseline (idle) is 1%

<sup>\*</sup> Throttle never returned to baseline position.

	150 -							
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%	50 -							
	0 -							
	-50 -							
	0	.0 0	.5 1	.0 1	.5 2	.0 2	.5 3.0	J
	Time -Seconds							

Curve Description								
Throttle Posit	Throttle Position (TPS Wire 6 Open)							
CURNO	CURNO Type Filter Freq Units							
031	FIL	2	%					
Max	Max Time Return Time (msec)							
116.3	116.3 0.7 *							

Throttle % reading at baseline (idle) is 1%

<sup>\*</sup>Induced wire fault caused loss of sensor reading

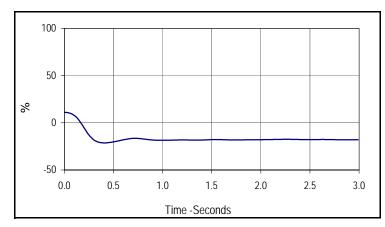
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Curve Description								
Throttle Position (TPS Wire 1 Short)								
CURNO	Type	Filter Freq	Units					
032	FIL	2	%					
Max	Max Time Return Time (msec)							
11.0	0.0	16	0.0					

Throttle % reading at baseline (idle) is 1% All return times were calculated at a return to 1%

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	-50 - 0	.0 0	).5	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5	3.0
				Time -S	econds			

Curve Description								
Throttle Position (TPS Wire 2 Short)								
CURNO	Type	Filter Freq	Units					
033	FIL	2	%					
Max	Max Time Return Time (msec)							
10.1	0.0	53	0.0					

Throttle % reading at baseline (idle) is 1% All return times were calculated at a return to 1%

	100 -							
	75 -							
%	50 -							
	25 -							
	0 -							
		.0	0.5	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5	3.0
				Time	-Seconds			

Curve Description							
Throttle Position (TPS Wire 3 Short)							
CURNO	Type	Filter Freq	Units				
034	FIL	2	%				
Max	Time	Return Tir	me (msec)				
10.6 0.0 140.0							

Throttle % reading at baseline (idle) is 1% All return times were calculated at a return to 1%

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	75 -										
%	50 -										
	25 -										
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					Time -	Seco	nds				

Curve Description								
Throttle Position (TPS Wire 4 Short)								
CURNO	Type	Filter Freq	Units					
035	FIL	2	%					
Max Time Return Time (msec)								
11.8	0.0	87	0.0					

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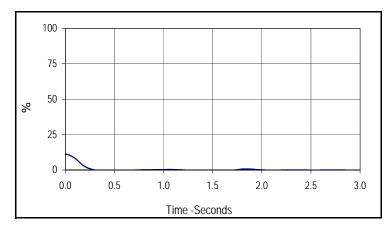
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Curve Description										
Throttle Positi	Throttle Position (TPS Wire 5 Short)									
CURNO	Type	Filter Freq	Units							
036	FIL	2	%							
Max	Max Time Return Time (msec)									
11.3	0.0	23								

Throttle % reading at baseline (idle) is 1% All return times were calculated at a return to 1%

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Curve Description							
Throttle Position (TPS Wire 6 Short)							
Type	Filter Freq	Units					
FIL	2	%					
Max Time Return Time (msec)							
10.1 0.0 2160.0							
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	75 -												
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Curve Description							
Throttle Position (TPS/ Throttle Plate Motor Disconnect)							
CURNO	Туре	Filter Freq	Units				
038	FIL	2	%				
Max Time Return Time (msec)							
27.3	1.5	3	<b>k</b>				

Throttle % reading at baseline (idle) is 1%
\*Induced wire fault caused loss of sensor reading

## APPENDIX-C TEST EQUIPMENT AND CALIBRATION INFORMATION

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Description	Manufacturer	Model No.	Serial No.	Limit	Accuracy	Cal. Date	Due Cal.
TDAS	DTS	TDAS	DM0101	N/A	SAE J211	11/14/08	11/14/09
Computer	Toshiba	PAS4014	X8065355A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A



## APPENDIX-D MANUFACTURER SUBMITTED INFORMATION

#### VEHICLE INFORMATION/TEST SPECIFICATIONS FMVSS 124 - Accelerator Control Systems GASOLINE ENGINES

 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).

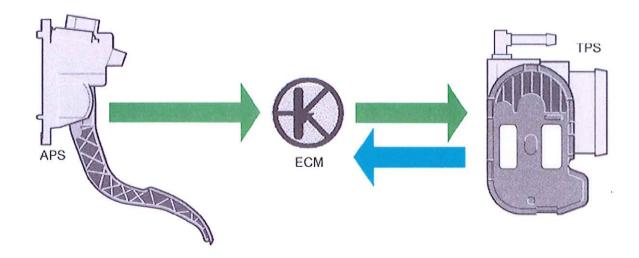


Figure 1: Schematic representation of the ACS of a gasoline passenger car

APS Accelerator Pedal Position Sensor

ECM Electronic Control Module
TPS Throttle Plate Position Sensor

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

The electronic throttle valve is adjusted by an electric motor which moves the throttle valve over the complete range from zero to full open throttle. The driver depresses the accelerator pedal, which corresponds to the driver's requested engine torque. The accelerator pedal position is captured by a signal from the pedal sensor. This activates the throttle valve adjustment motor and adjusts the throttle valve from a closed to open position in direct response to driver input. Through the information from the throttle valve position sensor system, the throttle valve position is at any time assured.

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).

Both energy sources, the throttle valve adjustment motor and the throttle valve return spring work independently from one another and are able to return the throttle valve to an idle position over the complete temperature range from +52°C to -40°C.

- 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

The vehicle ACS is equipped with all from A to D.

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.

The throttle valve housing includes the throttle valve position sensor system. A wire adapter can be positioned between the throttle valve housing and the wire harness in the engine compartment to measure the voltage. The voltage recorded provides a measure to definitely determine the throttle valve position.

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

Should the throttle valve adjustment motor lose voltage, the throttle valve returns within the specified time period, by means of the throttle valve return spring in the throttle valve housing, to a predetermined idle position.

If there is a disconnected wire at the accelerator pedal, the throttle valve adjustment motor and the throttle valve return spring together return the throttle valve to the predetermined idle position.

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.

By air regulated engines ( $\lambda$ =1) the air mass is the controlling quantity and is dependent on the throttle valve so that the throttle valve and not the injectors is the relevant component.

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

The redundant and diverse energy sources in the throttle valve are independent. Each of them is able to bring the throttle valve at any time back to the predetermined idle setting. The reset times are determined as follows:

During the depressing of the accelerator pedal with an operating unit a switch will be electrically opened (see Figure 2). Then the accelerator pedal is quickly released, at which time the switch closes, and that signal is the trigger for the timing of the measurement.



Figure 2: Operating means for accelerator pedal movement.

To test the throttle valve adjustment motor and the throttle plate independently from the return spring, the return spring is released. Figure 3 shows such a throttle valve.



Figure 3: Throttle valve with return spring released (not actuated fully opened!)

Using the measuring technique represented in Figure 4, the timing of the throttle valve movement to the idle operating position can be noted and evaluated.

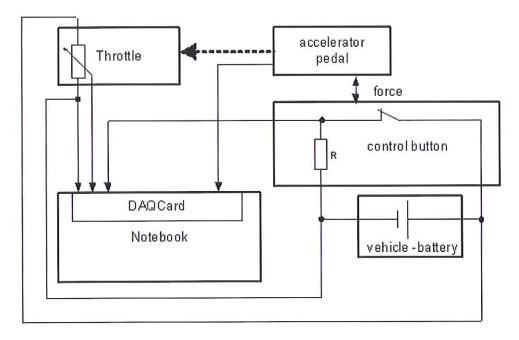


Figure 4: Schematic representation of measuring technique.

To test the function of the return spring in the throttle valve housing, a complete throttle valve with return spring is used and the voltage supply to the throttle valve adjustment motor is cut-off. The timing of the movement of the throttle valve to the idle position is evaluated and analyzed.

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

Description of the return energy devices:

Accelerator Pedal - The accelerator pedal has two redundant working springs that return the pedal to the starting position.

Throttle Valve - The throttle valve adjustment motor is an electric motor that opens or closes the throttle valve in response to driver input. If the voltage supply is interrupted or if the electric motor is defective, the throttle valve return spring brings the throttle valve back to the predetermined idle position.

- 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.

In air flow regulated engines the air mass is the power controlling quantity and this is dependent on the throttle valve which is the test relevant part and not the injectors.

- A: The fuel supply is not measured on air regulated engines.
- B. None
- C. None
- 11.) Is the ACS equipped with a limp home mode? If yes, provide operation description.

Yes. A drive mode to permit the vehicle to drive home is included. In case of a failure, the engine speed and the engine torque will be automatically reduced and continued driving at reduced engine output is possible.

12.) Method by which the test laboratory can record engine RPM by connection to ECM, OBD connector, etc.

The engine RPM can be recorded with a generic scan tool in address 33 (scantool OBD) in mode 1 pid \$0c. The scan tool should be connected to the OBD socket.

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