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Version 1

MIL On with DTC P26A3**AFFECTED VEHICLES**

Year	Model	Trim Level	VIN Range
2014	Accord Plug-In Hybrid	ALL	ALL

SYMPTOM

The MIL is on with DTC P26A3 (electric water valve malfunction).

PROBABLE CAUSE

A malfunction in the climate control unit software causes improper control of the three-way valve.

CORRECTIVE ACTION

Update the PGM-FI software, and replace the climate control unit.

PARTS INFORMATION

Part Name	Part Number	Quantity
Auto Air Conditioner Control Assembly	79600-T3V-A42ZA	1

WARRANTY CLAIM INFORMATION

The normal warranty applies.

Operation Number	Description	Flat Rate Time	Defect Code	Symptom Code	Template ID	Failed Part Number
1255G0	Update the PGM-FI software, and replace the climate control unit.	1.0 hr	03214	03217	A20033A	37805-5K0-A15

Skill Level: Repair Technician

CUSTOMER INFORMATION: The information in this bulletin is intended for use only by skilled technicians who have the proper tools, equipment, and training to correctly and safely maintain your vehicle. These procedures should not be attempted by "do-it-yourselfers," and you should not assume this bulletin applies to your vehicle, or that your vehicle has the condition described. To determine whether this information applies, contact an authorized Honda automobile dealer.

SOFTWARE INFORMATION

NOTE

Unnecessary or incorrect repairs resulting from a failure to update the diagnostic and reprogramming software are not covered under warranty.

Before beginning the repair, make sure all diagnostic and reprogramming software are updated as listed.

i-HDS Software Version	1.006.004 or later
HDS Software Version	3.104.002 or later
J2534 Rewrite Software Information	
PC Application Version	1.2.1.1
Database Update	19-AUG-2020 or later
NoticeDB Version	19-AUG-2020 or later

Update only the systems and software listed in this service bulletin.

American Honda has validated and approved the Denso DST-I as the vehicle communication interface (VCI) to support this service bulletin.

For more information about updating vehicle systems, refer to service bulletin 01-023, *Updating Control Units/Modules*.

Year/Model	Vehicle System	Program ID (or later)
2014 Accord Plug-In Hybrid	PGM-FI	37805-5K0-A15

REPAIR INFORMATION

NOTICE

- Make sure the 12-volt battery is fully charged before starting an update.
- Connect a fully charged jumper battery to the vehicle, and leave it connected during the entire procedure to maintain steady voltage.
- Do not use the GR8 because the vehicle requires a steady electrical current.
- Control module failure caused by the improper completion of a software update (early key cycle, low battery voltage, disconnected DLC cable, etc.) is not covered by warranty.
- If an error occurs during the update or the i-HDS freezes, **do not disconnect the battery or turn the ignition to OFF**. Reboot the i-HDS, and start over.
- To prevent control unit damage, do not operate anything electrical (headlights, audio system, brakes, A/C, power windows, door locks, etc.) during the update.
- Warranty reimbursement for technician labor is not allowed for **routine** checking/installation of any available software update.

NOTE

This update will not require entering a service bulletin number.

1. Clear DTC P26A3 using the i-HDS.
2. Update the PGM-FI software using the J2534 Rewrite software with the DST-i. Refer to service bulletin 01-023, *Updating Control Units/Modules*.
3. Replace the climate control unit. Refer to the service information.

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