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SVE BULLETIN

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F53/ F59(2011) OBDII Diagnostic Connector Location

To:

All builders completing vehicles on the F53 Motor Home Stripped Chassis and 2011 F59 Step Van Chassis.

Models Affected

All Model Years

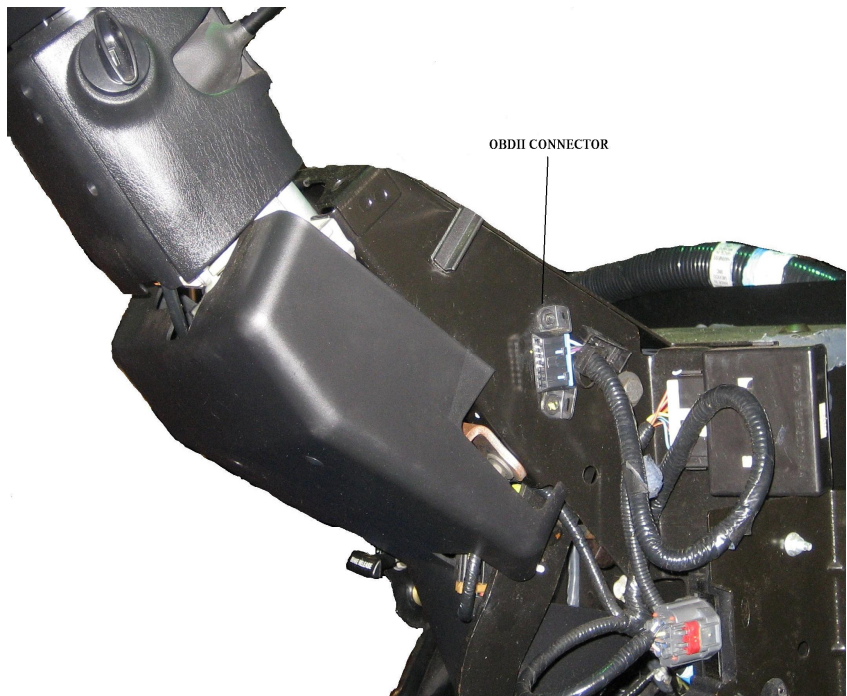
Action Requested:

Please provide a copy of this bulletin to affected engineering, manufacturing and appropriate service personnel.

Background:

The purpose of this bulletin is to clarify that body builders are responsible for relocating the OBDII diagnostic connector for service access.

The OBDII diagnostic service port connector is attached to the right hand side of the steering column support during chassis assembly. This is intended to be a "temporary shipping location". It is the responsibility of the body builder to relocate the OBDII diagnostic connector to the bottom of the dash panel (not supplied by Ford).



Description:

Per SAE J1962 and ISO 15031-3, the OBDII diagnostic connector preferred location is under the dash panel, under the steering, +/- 150mm (i.e., +/- 6 inches on either side of the steering column).

Accessibility to the OBDII diagnostic connector is also referenced in the QVM Guidelines (E1117) and accessibility is a Mandatory Requirement on the QVM assessment form.

For improved serviceability and increased customer satisfaction, please ensure your manufacturing process complies with this process.

If you have any questions, please contact the Body Builders Service through the methods listed above.