NO: 02-10-99

SUBJECT: Tie Rod and Drag Link Sleeve Clamp Bolt Torque Revision

DATE: Jul. 30, 1999

DISCUSSION:

Effective with vehicles built after May 3, 1999 (MDH 0503XX), the steering dampener to tie rod attachment nuts and the tie rod and drag link adjuster sleeve clamp nuts have been changed in production. The new nuts require 41 Nm (30-ft. lbs.) torque. Previous fasteners required 68 Nm (50-ft. lbs.). Vehicles equipped with the new nuts will have a yellow tag attached which indicate this tightening requirement.

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