

**SERVICE BULLETIN**

**APPLICABILITY:** 2002MY and Later Impreza

**NUMBER:** 15-119-06

**SUBJECT:** Chattering/Vibration from  
Front Door Speakers

**DATE:** 11/29/06

**INTRODUCTION**

If you encounter a customer complaint that the front door speaker(s) chatter and/or vibrate when the volume is set high, refer to the following repair procedure.

**PARTS/MATERIAL INFORMATION**

**Countermeasure 1**

3M™ Heavy Drip–Chek™ Sealer 08531

**Countermeasure 2**

SOA part # 61244FE100, Sealing Cover (with urethane) F Door, RH

SOA part # 61244FE110, Sealing Cover (with urethane) F Door, LH

3M™ Windo-Weld™ Round Ribbon Sealer 08625 or butyl tape as an equivalent.

**Caution:** Make sure to read and follow the directions, precautions, warnings, etc of the 3M™ products.

**REPAIR PROCEDURE/INFORMATION**

Verify the customer’s complaint by playing a commercially purchased CD and/or the radio.

**Note:** It is not advisable to play a burned (home made) CD, due to the fact the recording levels may have been set extremely high, which may cause undesirable chattering, vibration and/or distortion.

- 1) Check to make sure there is nothing in the door pockets that could cause chattering and/or vibrations. If there is, remove the objects.
- 2) Remove the door trim (refer to the applicable service manual) and check for loose or missing screws, broken or missing clips. Replace if necessary.
- 3) Check to make sure that the sealing cover is properly applied (no peeling, no misalignment, no breakage). Repair and/or replace as necessary.

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If the speakers still chatter and/or vibrate, perform the following countermeasure(s):

[A] Standard speaker, perform Countermeasure 1 & 2.

[B] High-grade speaker, perform Countermeasure 1.

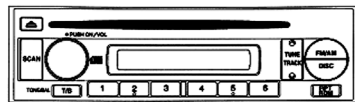
- Sealing covers with urethane are used with high-grade speakers; therefore countermeasure 2 does not need to be performed.

### How to distinguish between Standard speaker and High-grade speaker

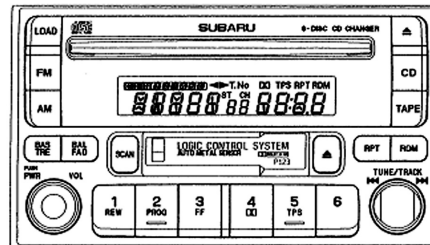
Vehicles equipped with standard speakers use a sealing cover **without** urethane.

Vehicles equipped with high-grade speakers use a sealing cover **with** urethane.

#### [A] Standard audio with standard speaker

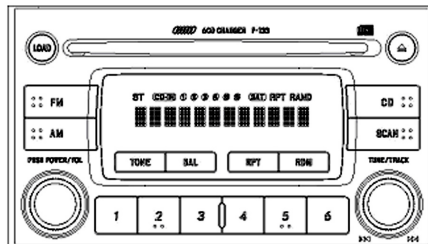


1 DIN Radio (02MY and After)

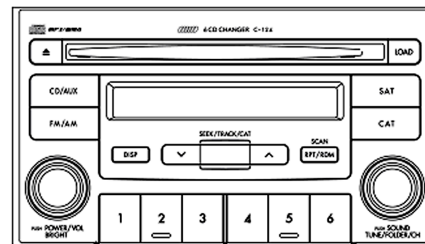


2 DIN Radio (02MY through 05MY)

#### [B] High-grade audio with high-grade speaker



2 DIN Radio (05MY through 07MY)



2 DIN Radio (07MY)

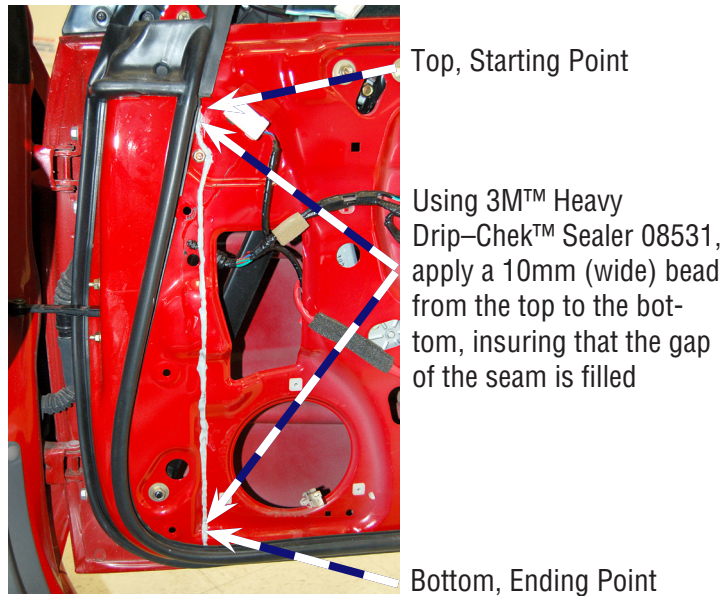
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### **Countermeasure 1**

- 1) Remove the door trim, speaker and sealing cover (see figure 1, below).



- 2) Apply 3M™ Heavy Drip–Chek™ Sealer 08531 to the gap of the seam of the inner door panel (See figure 2, below).



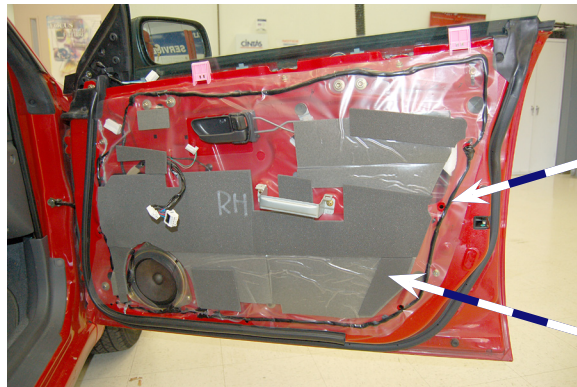
- 3) Reinstall the sealing cover (if equipped with standard speakers perform countermeasure 2), speaker and door trim.
- 4) Verify that the chatter and/or vibration is eliminated.

### **Countermeasure 2**

- 1) Remove the door trim, speaker and sealing cover.

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- 2) Install a new sealing cover using 3M™ Windo-Weld™ Round Ribbon Sealer 08625 (See figure 3, below). Make sure to use a uniform bead and press firmly to insure the sealing cover stays in place. **Note:** Breaks in the bead will allow water leakage and contamination.



3M™ Windo-Weld™ Round Ribbon Sealer 08625

Sealing cover with urethane

- Reinstall the speaker and door trim.
- Verify that the chatter and/or vibration is eliminated.

## WARRANTY/CLAIM INFORMATION

For vehicles under the Basic New Car Limited Warranty period, this repair may be claimed using:

LABOR DESCRIPTION	LABOR OPERATION	FAIL CODE	LABOR TIME
Front Door Speaker Vibration Modification - One Door (Includes diagnostics)	B 915 - 212	YMK - 48	0.6
Front Door Speaker Vibration Modification - Both Doors – <b>ADD</b>	C 915 - 225	YMK - 48	0.3