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Symptom/Vehicle Issue: AC INOP With DTC B3A11 - AC REFRIGERANT EXPANSION VALVE ACTUATOR CONTROL PERFORMANCE

Customer Complaint/Technician Observation: Customer indicates that the AC is INOP. Further investigation shows that DTC's B3A11 is present.

Discussion: This DTC will turn off the AC compressor to prevent liquid flowing into the compressor and causing physical damage to the compressor. When the code is erased, the compressor will re-engage and allow compressor operation again as long as the condition is not present. With this condition the code can come back within a few minutes, hours, or days.

A known part issue has been identified for select vehicles.

If the any of following conditions apply or both of the conditions apply the EXV Chiller assembly needs to be replaced. (See Image Below)

- EXV NIK Level shows AA
- Battery Chiller has a green check mark

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Replace the chiller assembly and retest operation. Ensure the vehicle is driven appropriately to get the HEV battery temp above 39C for DTC set conditions.

If the DTC remains off, return the vehicle back to customer.

If this process does not apply to the current vehicle being diagnosed, create a STAR case and ask for the case to be escalated for B3A11 Investigation.

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