

PART # 4VB/RPFM

Reverse Pattern Full Manual Valve Body

This product has been designed, engineered and tested to meet the highest quality standards obtainable for performance, consistency and durability.

NOTES: This product is for off road racing and competition usage only. This product should be installed by a professional transmission mechanic who is fluent with servicing the GMTH400 transmission. This valve body does not retain engine braking in manual low or manual second gear. If any of the clutch pistons in the transmission are the OEM stamped steel type, be sure to replace them the OEM cast aluminum type.

Kit Contents:

- 1 High Rate Pressure Regulator Spring**
- 1 Pressure Regulator Bore Plug**
- 16 Direct Clutch Release Springs**
- 1 Intermediate Clutch Backing Plate Snap Ring**
- 1 Valve Body Assembly**
- 1 Separator Plate**
- 1 Modulator Bore Plug**
- 1 Brass Set Screw**

DURING INSTALLATION OF THIS PRODUCT, REMOVE (DO NOT INSTALL) THE INTERMEDIATE SERVO AND INTERMEDIATE BAND ASSEMBLY, ALL CHECKBALLS, THE GOVERNOR ASSEMBLY AND GOVERNOR TUBES. DO NOT FIT ANY GASKETS TO THE SEPARATOR PLATE.

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Oil Pump Modifications

Remove the OEM pressure regulator components and replace them with the supplied High Rate Pressure Regulator Spring and Pressure Regulator Bore Plug. See Figures 1 and 2.



FIGURE 1



FIGURE 2

Rear Servo Modifications

Remove the two seal rings from the rear accumulator piston and re-install with original spring in place.

Transmission Case Modifications

Check the case for the presence of an orifice cup plug installed in the rear servo feed passage. See Figure 3. If present, drill the orifice in the cup plug out to a minimum of .125". Install the vacuum modulator bore plug in place of the OEM vacuum modulator assembly. Figure 4.

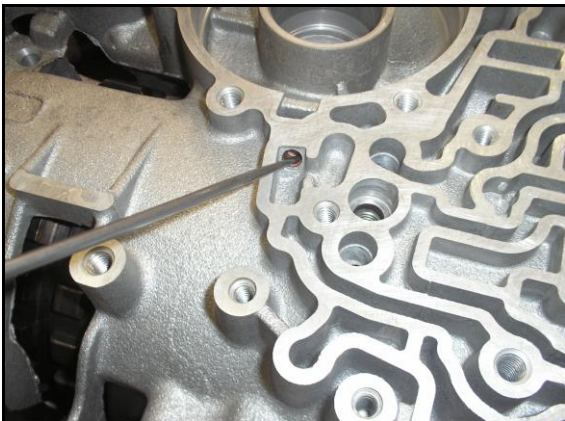


FIGURE 3



FIGURE 4

Direct Clutch Housing Modifications

Remove the center lip seal from the direct clutch housing. See Figure 5. Install the 16 supplied direct clutch release springs. Set direct clutch clearance to .040" to .060". Note that the use of waffle type direct clutch plates will improve 2-3 shift feel, as well as reduce spin losses, improving operational efficiency.

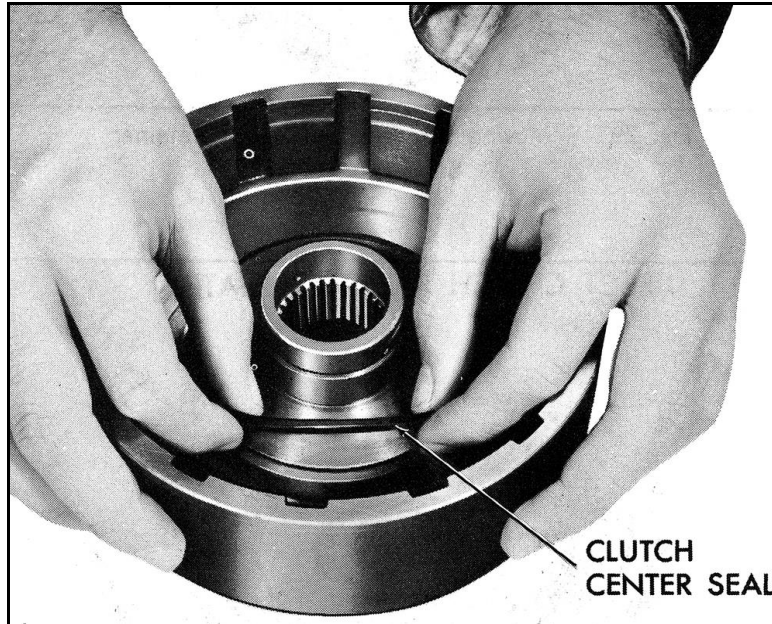


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Center Support Modification

Remove/do not install the second center support oil sealing ring. See Figure 6.

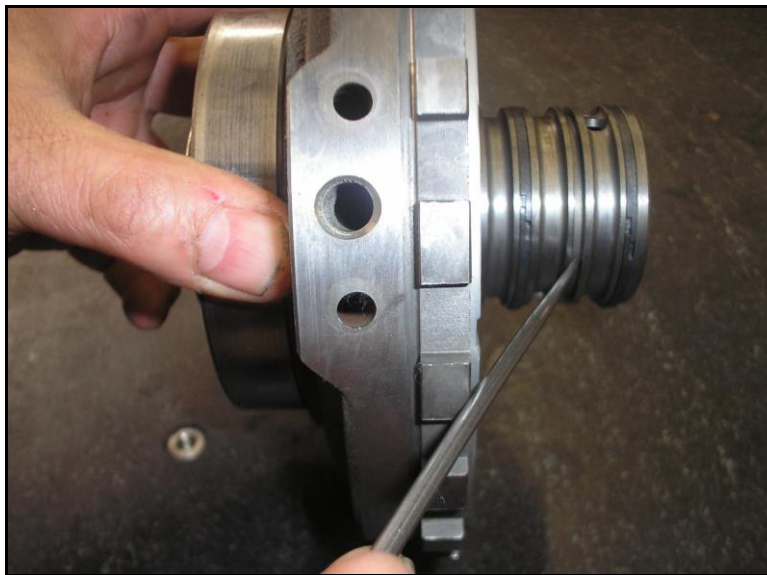


FIGURE 6

This valve body utilizes an OEM unmodified manual valve. The valve will be supplied as a courtesy ONLY when available.

Start your burnout in 2nd gear and upshift to third under medium throttle. Failure to do so can result in intermediate sprag failure. Note that the use of TH400 style waved intermediate clutch plates will reduce shock loading of the intermediate sprag and greatly improve its performance and service life.

Any questions or comments regarding the operation of this product can be addressed by contacting us @ WWW.CKPERFORMANCE.COM. Thank you for selecting our products.

Important Converter Charge Pressure Information

Modifying the pressure regulation system for increased line pressure is necessary when maximum torque capacity is required. Because torque converter charge pressure is a derivative of line pressure, increases in line pressure result in increased converter charge pressure. If left as is, this increase in charge pressure acting on the inside of the torque converter can push the converter, flexplate, and crankshaft forward with enough force to quickly destroy the crankshaft main thrust bearing. This issue is very common with the Buick Turbo V6 engine but can occur with most small and big block engines as well. Placing a restriction in the converter charge circuit reduces the chances of this occurrence. With the pressure regulation system supplied in this kit expect 195 to 200 psi line pressure, and 65 to 75 psi converter charge pressure @ and above 1000 rpm. The following modification should be performed on all TH400 transmissions with increased or fixed line pressure to reduce converter charge pressure to a safe level. Locate the converter charge passage in the pump cover. See Figure A. Using a 5/16-18 tap, thread the passage to a depth of approximately .250". See Figure B. Install the supplied 5/16-18 X 3/16 brass set screw shown in Figure C into the tapped hole, ensuring it is installed to a depth below the pump cover face. Drill out a new .110" to .115" converter charge orifice thru the set screw. See Figure D. IT IS NOW FIXED.

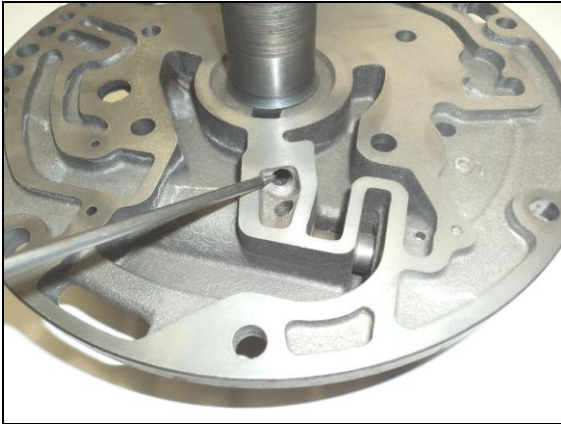


FIGURE A



FIGURE B



FIGURE C



FIGURE D