



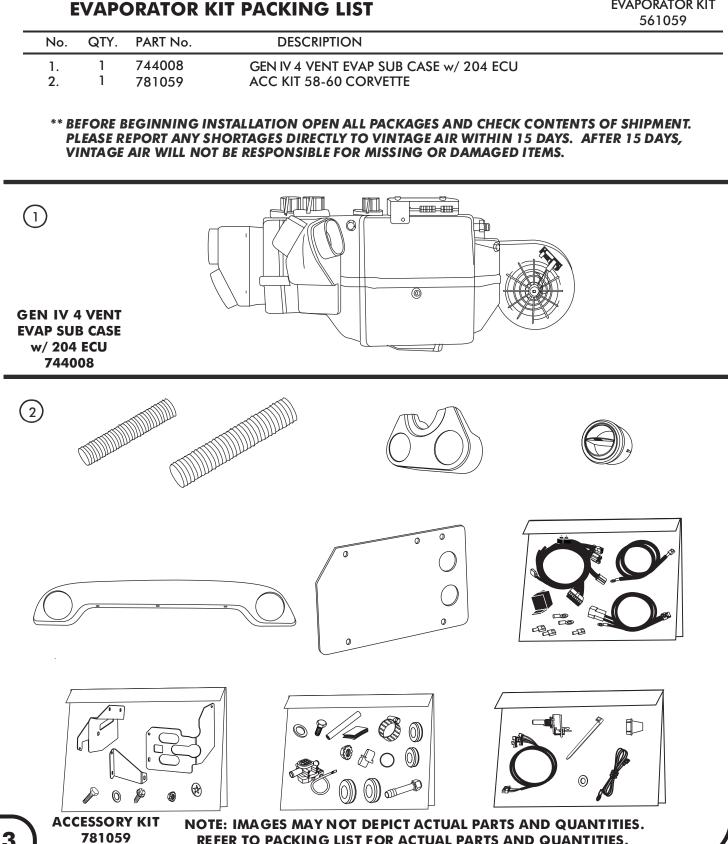
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**EVAPORATOR KIT** 561059



**REFER TO PACKING LIST FOR ACTUAL PARTS AND QUANTITIES.** 901037 REV B 7/3/14, 58-60 CORVETTE EVAP INST PG 3 OF 24



# Important Notice—Please Read

## For Maximum System Performance, Vintage Air Recommends the Following:

## Heater Hose (Not Included With This Kit):

Heater hose may be purchased from Vintage Air (Part# 31800-VUD) or your local parts retailer. Routing and required length will vary based on installer preference.

### Bolts Passing Through Cowl and/or Firewall:

To ensure a watertight seal between the passenger compartment and the vehicle exterior, for all bolts passing through the cowl and/or firewall, Vintage Air recommends coating the threads with silicone prior to installation.

#### Safety Switches:

Your Vintage Air system is equipped with a binary pressure safety switch. A binary switch disengages the compressor clutch in cases of extreme low pressure conditions (Refrigerant Loss) or excessively high head pressure (406 PSI) to prevent compressor damage or hose rupture. A trinary switch combines Hi/Lo pressure protection with an electric fan operation signal at 254 PSI, and should be substituted for use with electric fans. Compressor safety switches are extremely important since an A/C system relies on refrigerant to circulate lubricant.

#### Service Info:

**Attention:** The following system components are capped: Compressor, evaporator, condenser & drier. Caps may be <u>under pressure with dry nitrogen</u>. Be careful removing caps. Do not remove caps prior to installation. Removing caps prior to installation will cause components to collect moisture and lead to premature failure and reduced performance.

Evacuate the system for 35-45 minutes with system components (Drier, compressor, evaporator and condenser) at a temperature of at least 85° F. On a cool day, the components can be heated with a heat gun  $\underline{OR}$  by running the engine with the heater on before evacuating. Leak check and charge to specifications.

Vintage Air Systems Are Designed to Operate With R134a Refrigerant Only! Use of Any Other Refrigerants Is a Fire Hazard and Could Damage Either Your Air Conditioning System or Your Vehicle.

Use of Any Other Refrigerants Will Void All Warranties of the Air Conditioning System and Components. Use of the Proper Type and Amount of Refrigerant Is Critical to Proper System Operation. Vintage Air Recommends Our Systems Be Charged By Weight With a Quality Charging Station or Scale.

### **Refrigerant Capacity for Vintage Air Systems:**

(For other systems, consult manufacturer's guidelines)

#### R134a System

Charge with 1.8 lbs. (1 lb., 12 oz.) of refrigerant.

#### Lubricant Capacities:

**New Vintage Air-supplied Sanden Compressor:** No additional oil needed (Compressor is shipped with proper oil charge).

**All Other Compressors:** Consult manufacturer (Some compressors are shipped dry and will need oil added).



## **Important Wiring Notice—Please Read**

*Some Vehicles May Have Had Some or All of Their Radio Interference Capacitors Removed. There Should Be a Capacitor Found At Each of the Following Locations:* 

- 1. On the positive terminal of the ignition coil.
- 2. If there is a generator, on the armature terminal of the generator.
- 3. If there is a generator, on the battery terminal of the voltage regulator.

Most alternators have a capacitor installed internally to eliminate what is called "whining" as the engine is revved. If whining is heard in the radio, or just to be extra cautious, a radio interference capacitor can be added to the battery terminal of the alternator.

It is also important that the battery lead is in good shape and that the ground leads are not compromised. There should be a heavy ground from the battery to the engine block, and additional grounds to the body and chassis.

If these precautions are not observed, it is possible for voltage spikes to be present on the battery leads. These spikes come from ignition systems, charging systems, and from switching some of the vehicle's other systems on and off. Modern computer-operated equipment can be sensitive to voltage spikes on the power leads, which can cause unexpected resets, strange behavior, and/or permanent damage.

Vintage Air strives to harden our products against these types of electrical noise, but there is a point where a vehicle's electrical system can be degraded so much that nothing can help.

Radio interference capacitors should be available at most auto and truck parts suppliers. They typically are cylindrical in shape, a little over an inch long, a little over a half inch in diameter, and they have a single lead coming from one end of the cylinder with a terminal on the end of the wire, as well as a mounting clip which is screwed into a good ground on the vehicle. The specific value of the capacitance is not too significant in comparison to ignition capacitors that are matched with the coil to reduce pitting of the points.

- Care must be taken, when installing the compressor lead, not to short it to ground. The compressor lead must not be connected to a condenser fan or to any other auxiliary device. Shorting to ground or connecting to a condenser fan or any other auxiliary device may damage wiring, the compressor relay, and/or cause a malfunction.
- When installing ground leads on Gen IV systems, the blower control ground and ECU ground must be connected directly to the negative battery post.
- For proper system operation, the heater control valve must be connected to the ECU.

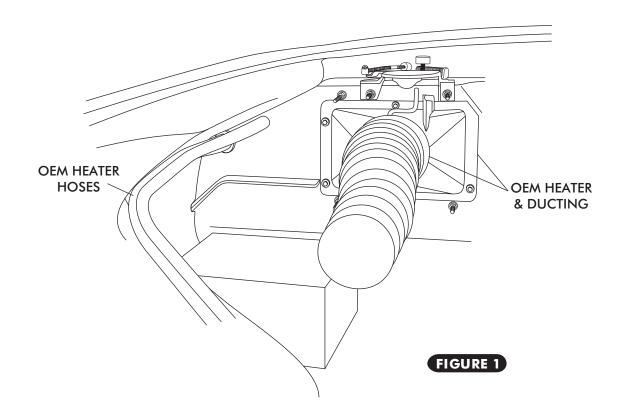


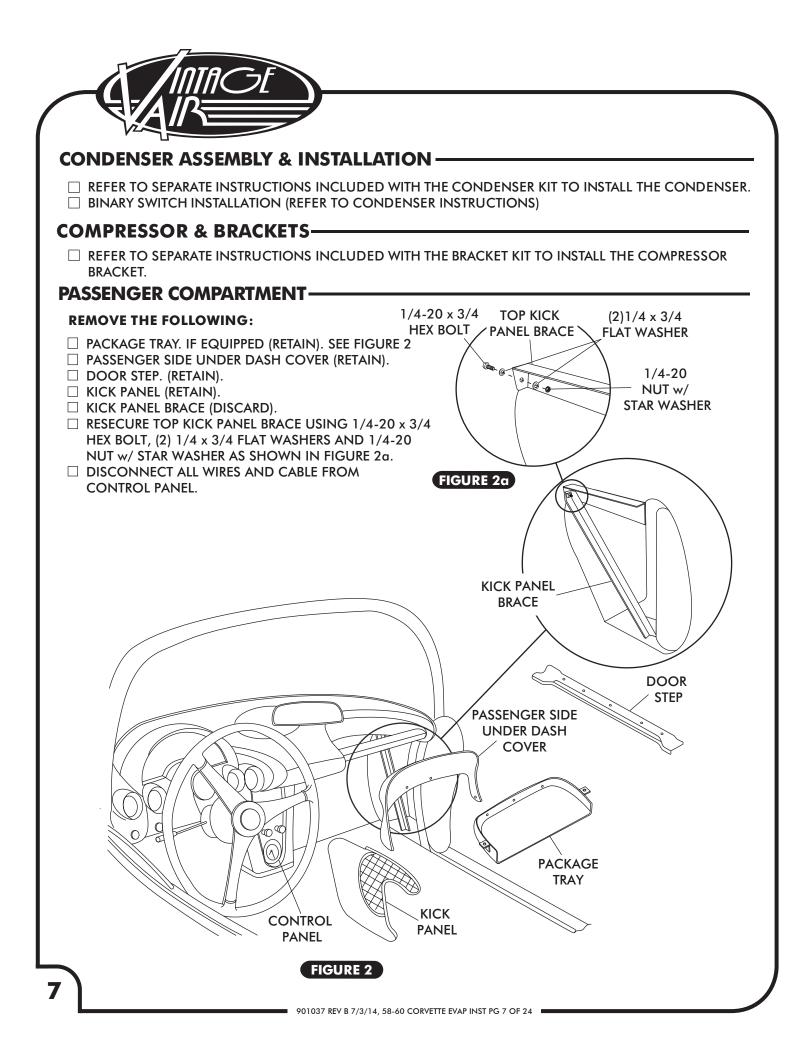
#### BEFORE STARTING THE INSTALLATION, CHECK THE FUNCTION OF THE VEHICLE (HORN, LIGHTS,ETC.) FOR PROPER OPERATIONS. STUDY THE INSTRUCTIONS, ILLUSTRATIONS, & DIAGRAMS.

## **ENGINE COMPARTMENT-**

#### **REMOVE THE FOLLOWING**

- DRAIN RADIATOR.
- □ DISCONNECT BATTERY.
- □ OEM BLOWER MOTOR ASSEMBLY (UNDER HOOD)
- □ OEM HEATER HOSES (DISCARD). SEE FIGURE 1.



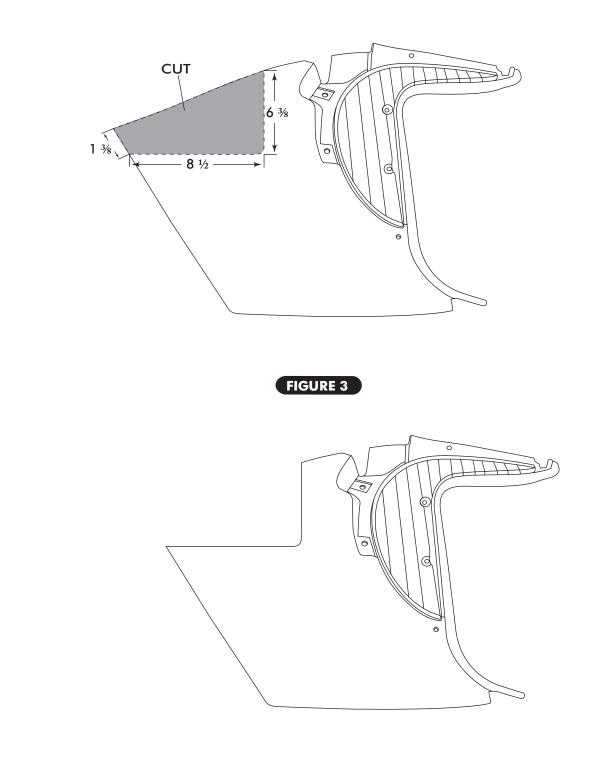




## **KICK PANEL MODIFICATION-**

□ REMOVE KICK PANEL BY REMOVING (6) OEM SCREWS.

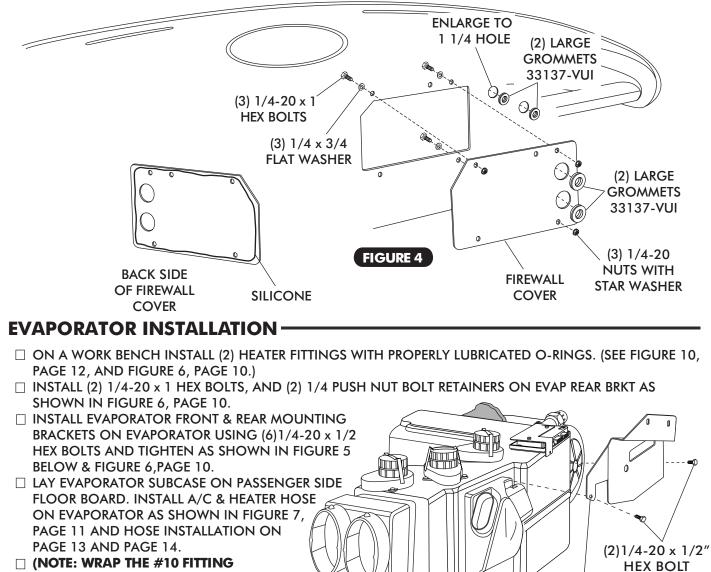
□ MODIFY PASSENGER SIDE KICK PANEL AS SHOWN IN FIGURE 3 BELOW.





## FIREWALL COVER INSTALLATION -

- □ APPLY A 1/4" BEAD OF SILICONE AROUND THE BACK SIDE OF THE FIREWALL COVER AS SHOWN IN FIGURE 4, BELOW.
- □ FROM INSIDE THE CAR, INSTALL FIREWALL COVER ON FIREWALL USING (3) 1/4-20 × 1 HEX BOLTS, FLAT WASHERS AND 1/4-20 NUT WITH STAR WASHER, SEE FIGURE 4, BELOW. (NOTE: USE SEAM SEALER TO FILL GAP BETWEEN COVER & LIP IN FIREWALL BEFORE PAINTING.)
- □ ENLARGE OEM HEATER HOLE TO 1 1/4 AS SHOWN BELOW.
- □ INSTALL GROMMETS IN FIREWALL AS SHOWN BELOW.

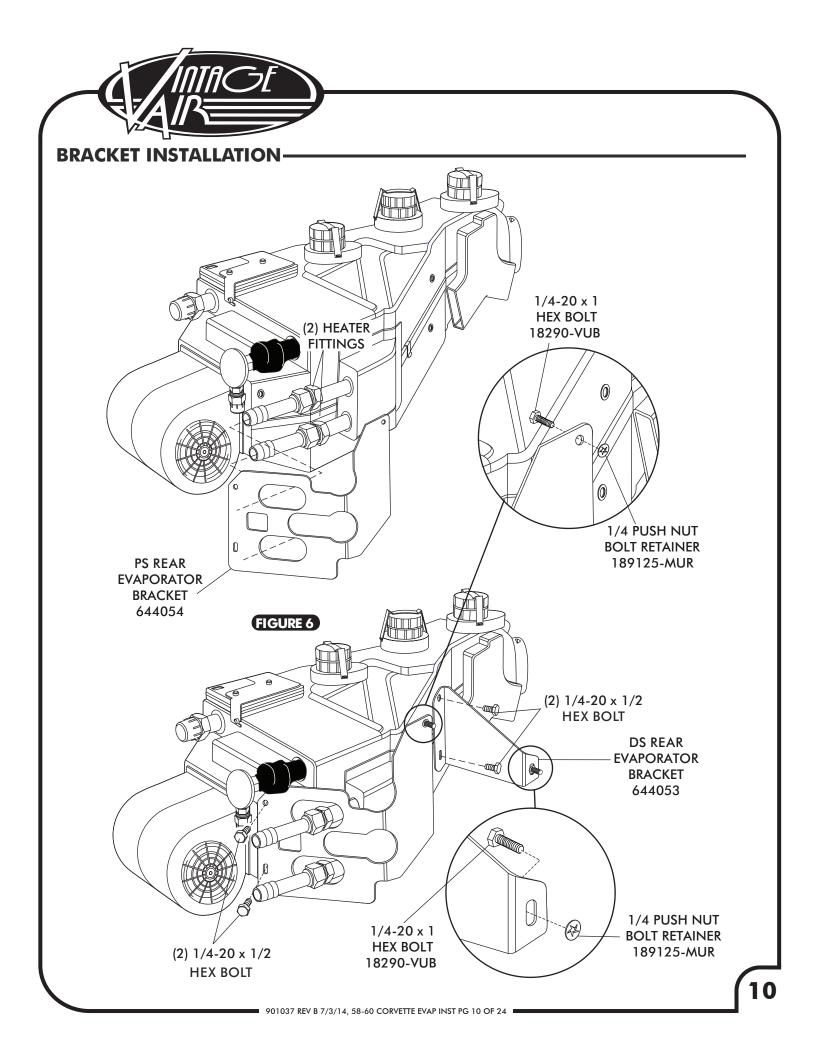


(NOTE: WRAP THE #10 FITTING CONNECTIONS WITH PRESS TAPE. SEE FIGURE 7, PAGE 11.)

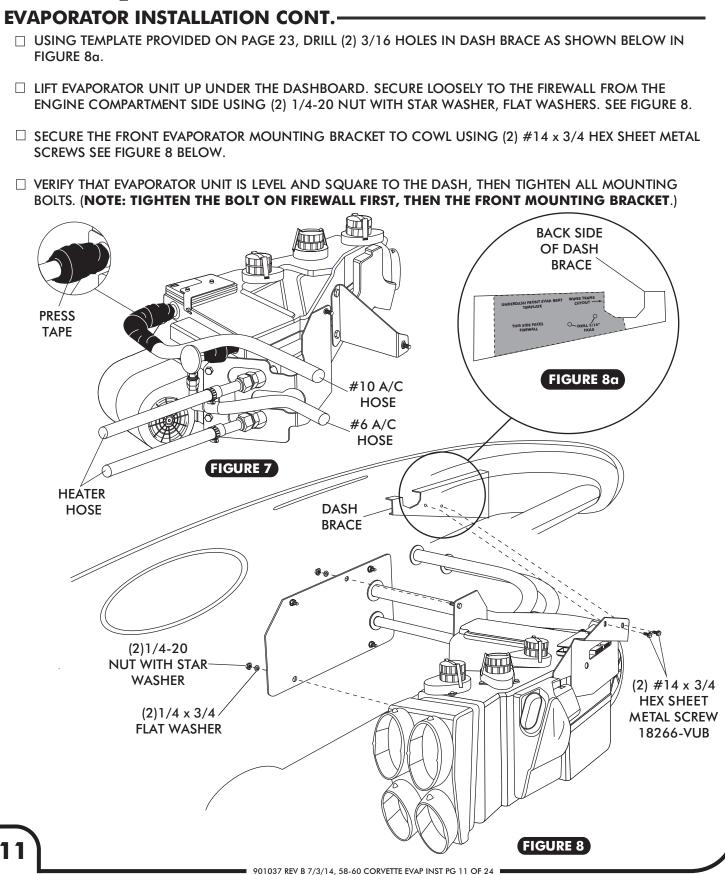
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EVAPORATOR BRACKET 644052

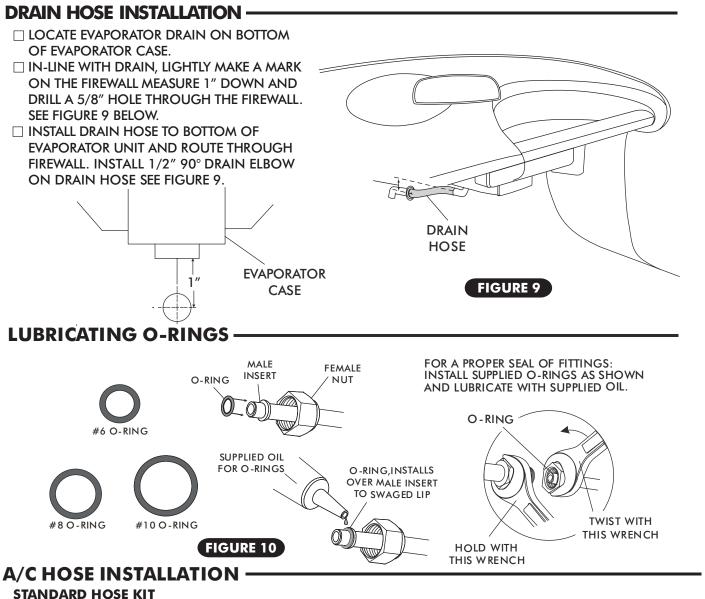
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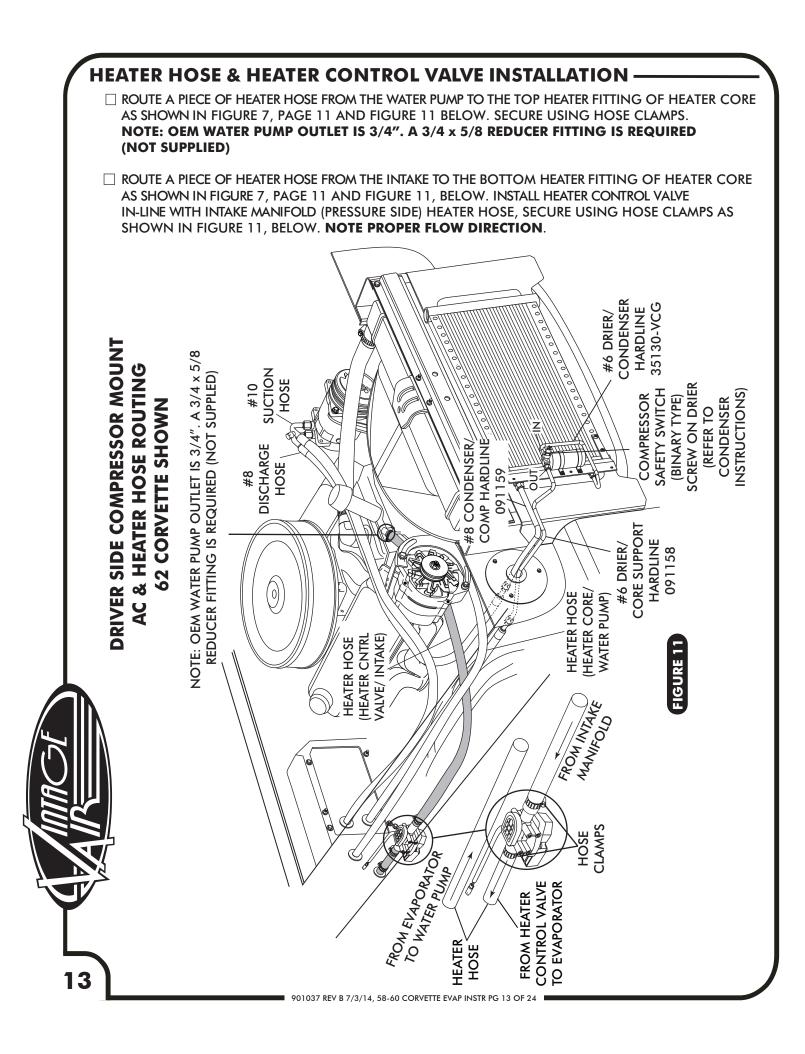


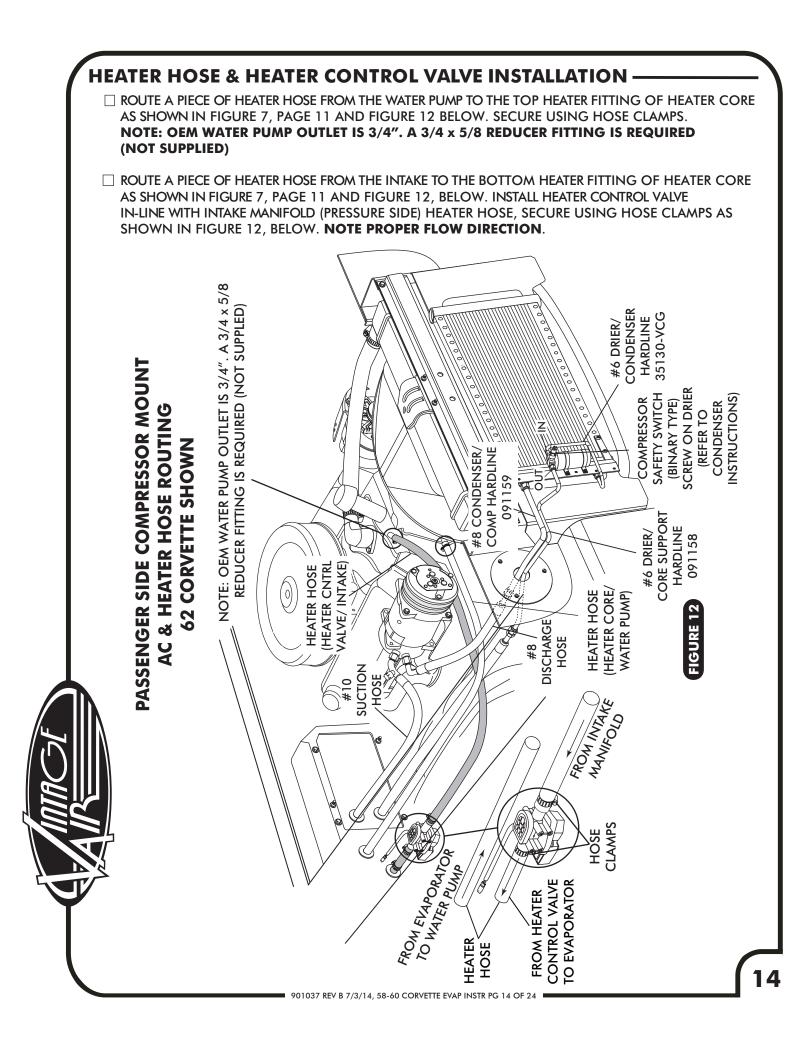
- □ LOCATE THE #8 COMPRESSOR A/C HOSE. LUBRICATE (2) #8 O-RINGS (SEE FIGURE 10, ABOVE) AND CONNECT THE 90° FEMALE FITTING TO THE #8 DISCHARGE PORT ON THE COMPRESSOR. ROUTE THE STR FEMALE FITTING w/ 134a SERVICE PORT TO THE #8 CONDENSER HARDLINE COMING THROUGH CORE SUPPORT. SEE FIGURE 11 PAGE 13 AND FIGURE 12 PAGE 14. TIGHTEN EACH FITTING CONNECTION AS SHOWN IN FIGURE 10 ABOVE.
- □ LOCATE THE #10 COMPRESSOR A/C HOSE. LUBRICATE (2) #10 O-RINGS (SEE FIGURE 10, ABOVE) AND CONNECT THE #10 135° FEMALE FITTING w/134a SERVICE PORT TO THE #10 SUCTION PORT ON THE COMPRESSOR. ROUTE THE 135° FEMALE FITTING TO THE #10 EVAPORATOR. SEE FIGURE 11, PAGE 13 AND FIGURE 12, PAGE 14. TIGHTEN EACH FITTING CONNECTION AS SHOWN IN 10 ABOVE.
- LOCATE THE #6 EVAPORATOR A/C HOSE. LUBRICATE (2) #6 O-RINGS (SEE FIGURE 10, ABOVE) AND CONNECT THE STR FEMALE FITTING TO THE DRIER. ROUTE THE 90° FEMALE FITTING TO THE #6 EVAPORATOR. SEE FIGURE 11, PAGE 13 AND FIGURE 12, PAGE 14. TIGHTEN EACH FITTING CONNECTION AS SHOWN IN FIGURE 10, ABOVE.

## **MODIFIED A/C HOSE KIT –**

REFER TO SEPARATE INSTRUCTIONS INCLUDED WITH MODIFIED HOSE KIT.

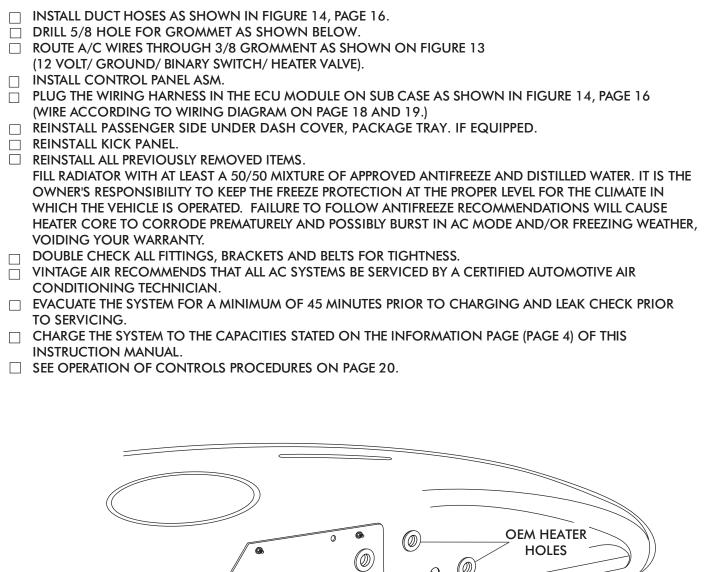
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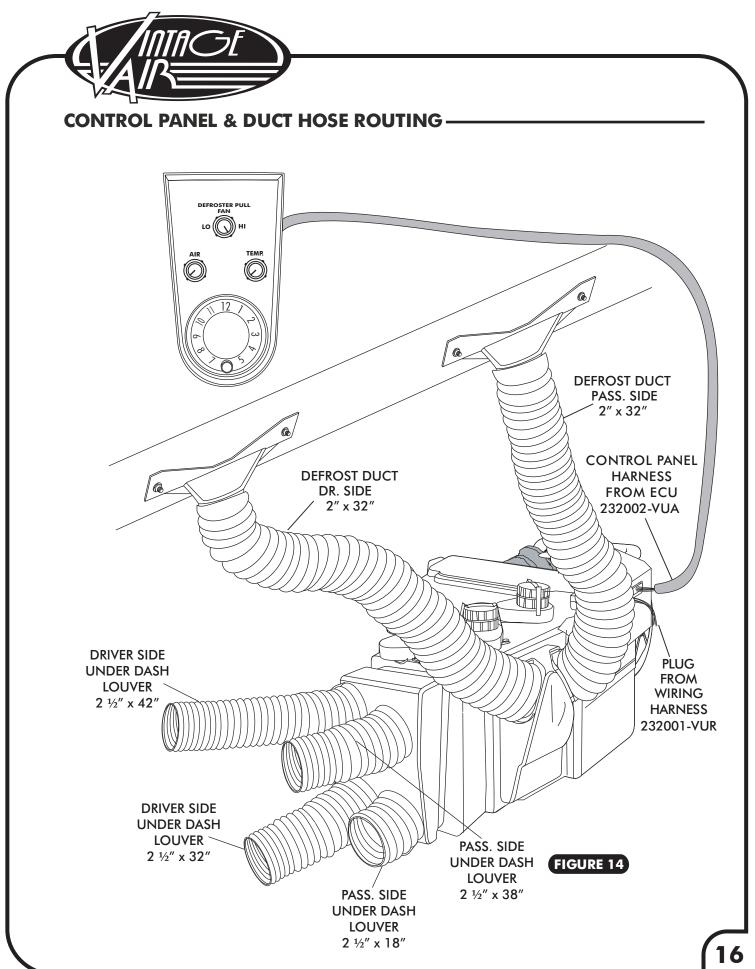
## **FINAL STEPS**

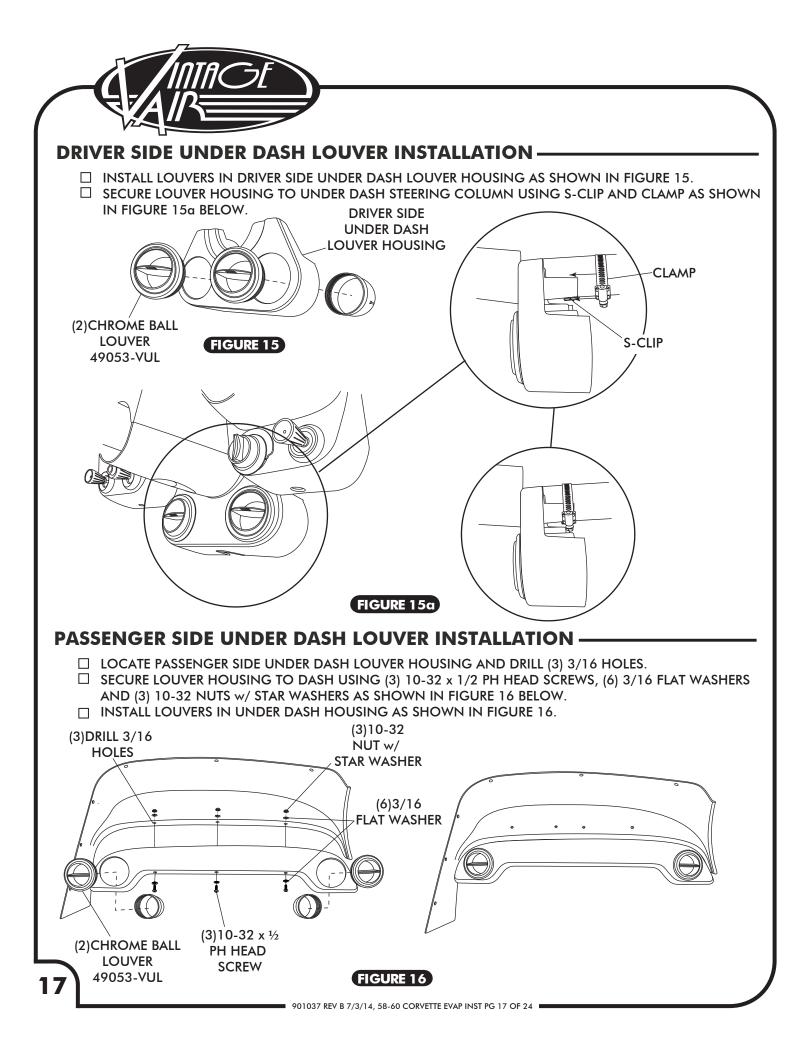


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DRILL 5/8 HOLE

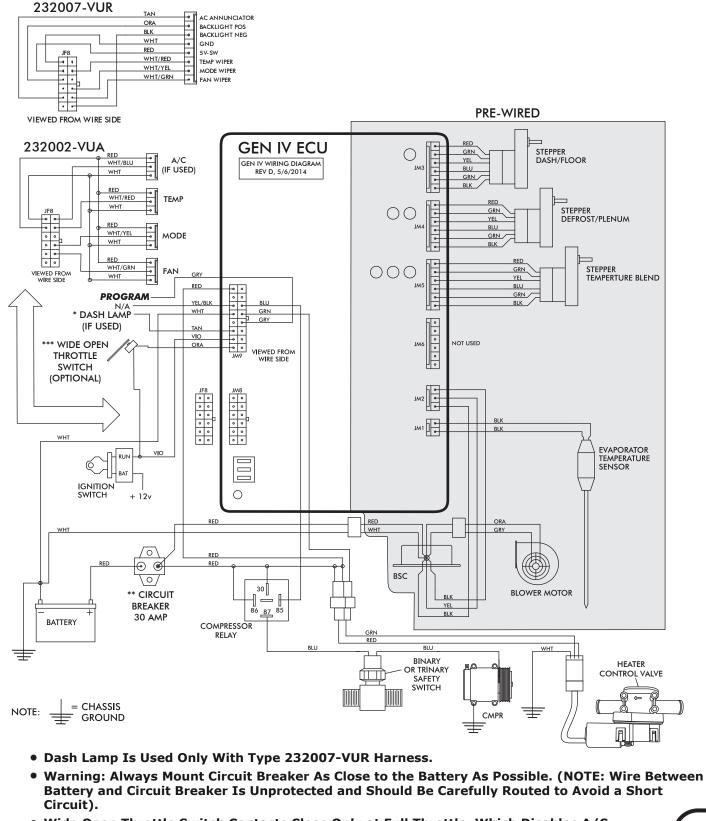
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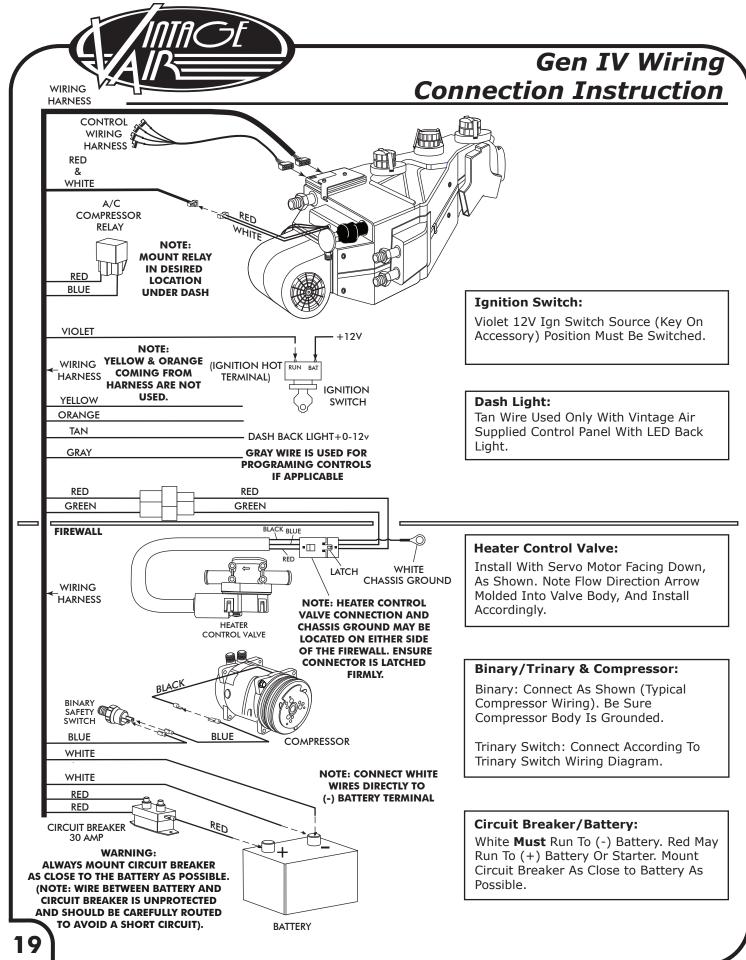




Wiring Diagram



• Wide Open Throttle Switch Contacts Close Only at Full Throttle, Which Disables A/C Compressor.





## **OPERATION OF CONTROLS**

A/C MODE

THE TEMPERATURE KNOB TOGGLES BETWEEN A/C AND HEAT MODES. FOR A/C MODE ROTATE THE TEMPERATURE KNOB ALL THE WAY LEFT. FOR HEAT MODE ROTATE THE KNOB ALL THE WAY TO THE RIGHT TO DISENGAGE THE COMPRESSOR, THEN MOVE THE KNOB TO SELECT DESIRED TEMPRERATURE.

NOTE: EACH TIME THE SYSTEM TOGGLES BETWEEN MODES, THE BLOWER WILL MOMENTARILY CHANGE SPEEDS.

ALL SWITCHES ARE VARIABLE BETWEEN POSITIONS, SYSTEM WILL PERFORM A BLEND BETWEEN THE FUNCTIONS.

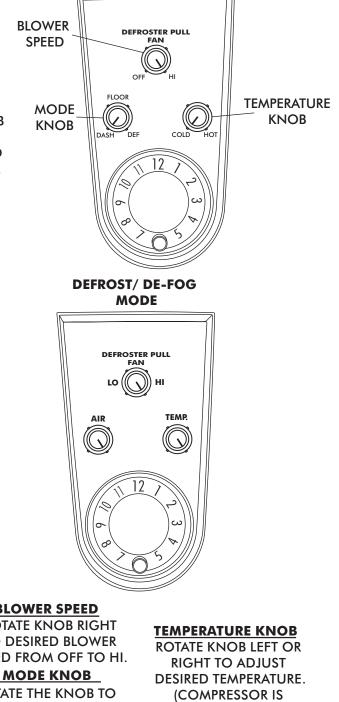
#### **BLOWER SPEED**

THIS KNOB CONTROLS THE BLOWER SPEED, FROM OFF TO HI

#### **MODE KNOB**

ROTATE THE KNOB TO THE LEFT TO DIRECT AIR FLOW TO THE DASH VENTS

**TEMPERATURE KNOB** IN A/C MODE ROTATE THE TEMPERATURE KNOB ALL THE WAY LEFT TO THE COLD POSITION TO ENGAGE COMPRESSOR. (ROTATE KNOB LEFT OR **RIGHT TO ADJUST DESIRED TEMPERATURE**)



DEFROSTER PULL FAN TEMP. AIR

**BLOWER SPEED ROTATE KNOB RIGHT** TO DESIRED BLOWER SPEED FROM OFF TO HI.

**MODE KNOB** 

**ROTATE THE KNOB** TO THE CENTER TO DIRECT AIR FLOW TO THE FLOOR.

**TEMPERATURE KNOB** IN HEAT MODE ROTATE

THE TEMPERATURE KNOB ALL THE WAY RIGHT TO

THE HOT POSTION. (ROTATE KNOB LEFT **OR RIGHT TO ADJUST** DESIRED TEMPERATURE)

#### **BLOWER SPEED**

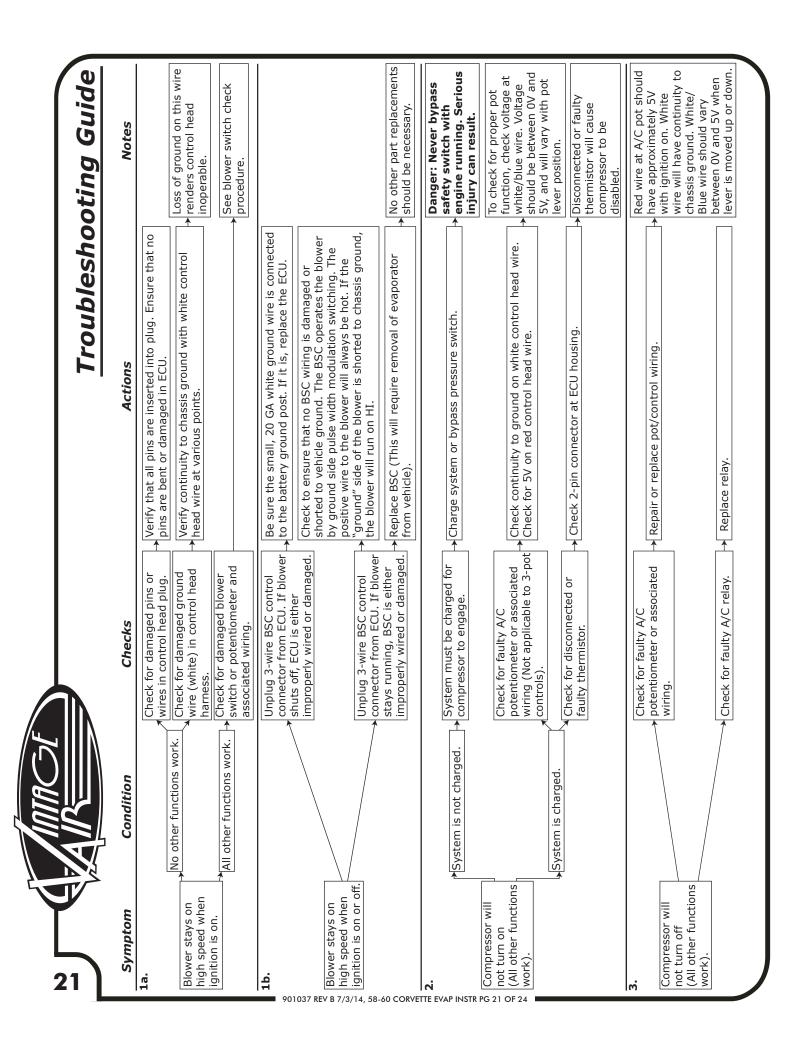
ROTATE KNOB RIGHT TO DESIRED BLOWER SPEED FROM OFF TO HI.

ROTATE THE KNOB TO THE RIGHT TO DIRECT **AIR FLOW TO THE DEFROST VENTS.** 

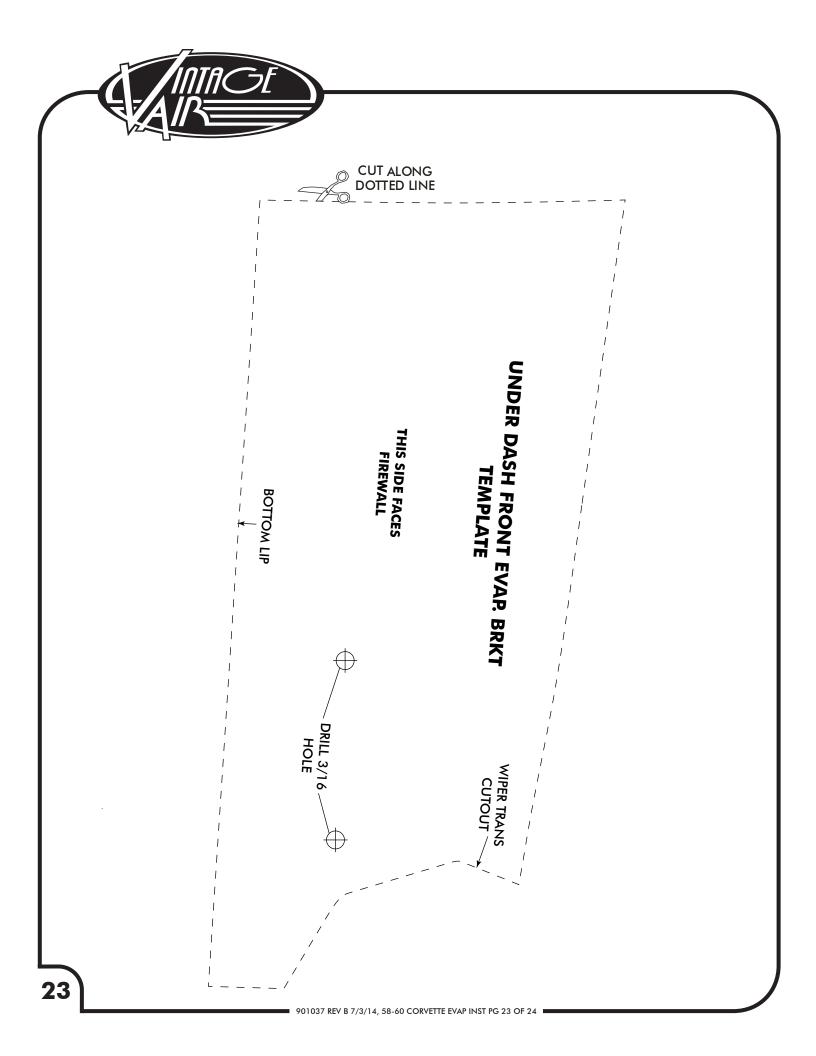
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**HEAT MODE** 



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Symptom	Condition	Checks	Actions	Notes
4	Works when engine is not running; shuts off when engine is started (Typically early Gen IV, but possible on all	Noise interference from either ignition or alternator.	Install capacitors on ignition coil and alternator. Ensure good ground at all points. Relocate coil and associated wiring away from ECU and ECU wiring. Check for burned or loose plug wires.	Ignition noise (radiated or conducted) will cause the system to shut down due to high voltage spikes. If this is suspected, check with a quality oscilloscope. Spikes
System will not turn on, or runs intermittently.	Versions).	Verify connections on power lead, ignition lead, and both white ground wires.	Check for positive power at heater valve green wire and blower red wire. Check for ground on control head white wire.	greater than 16V will shut down the ECU. Install a radio capacitor at the positive post of the ignition coil (See radio canacitor
901037 REV B	any conditions.	Verify battery voltage is greater than 10 volts and less than 16.	Verify proper meter function by checking the condition of a known good battery.	installation bulletin). A faulty alternator or worn out battery can also result in this condition.
	No mode change at all.	Check for damaged mode switch or potentiometer and associated wiring.		Typically caused by evaporator housing installed in a bind in the
SO CORVETTE EV	Partial function of mode doors.	Check for obstructed or binding mode doors. Check for damaged stepper motor or wiring.		vehicle. Be sure all mounting locations line up and don't have to be forced into position.
6. Blower turns on	Battery voltage is at least	Check for at least 12V at circuit breaker.	Ensure all system grounds and power connections are clean and tight.	System shuts off blower at 10V. Poor connections or
	Battery voltage is less than 12V.	Check for faulty battery or alternator.	► Charge battery.	<ul> <li>▶ shutdown at up to 11V.</li> </ul>
7. Erratic functions of blower, mode, temp, etc.		<ul> <li>Check for damaged switch or pot and associated wiring.</li> </ul>	★ Repair or replace.	
8. When ignition is turned on, blower momentarily comes on, then shuts off. This occurs with the blower switch in the OFF position.		This is an indicator that the system has been reset. Be sure the red power wire is on the battery post, and not on a switched source. Also, if the system is pulled below 7V for even a split second, the system will reset.	<ul> <li>Run red power wire directly to battery.</li> </ul>	
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