

Bulletin #: 0003b Manufacturer: Honda Vehicle: 3.5L Service: Fuel and Induction System

Never Use the Brake Booster Vacuum Source!

COMPLAINT: Damage to the engine or catalytic converter after a fuel system service.

Applies to these vehicles:

• Odyssey	1999 – on
• Pilot	2003 – on
 Ridgeline 	2006 – on
 Crosstour 	2010 – on
• Accord	2010 – on
 Acura TSX 	2010 – on
• Acura TL	2009 – on
• Acura TL (Type S)	2008
• Acura RL	2007 - 2008

- **CAUSE:** Using the brake booster vacuum line for the fuel and induction cleaning service.
- **CORRECTION:** Never use the brake booster vacuum line as the vacuum source for performing the fuel and induction cleaning service.

The brake booster vacuum source will deliver most of the intake cleaner to the two rear cylinders. That allows unburned cleaner to puddle in the rear catalytic converter. You're left with a damaged engine, catalytic converter, or both.

To service these engines safely:

• Remove the plastic engine cover.



• Disconnect the hose from the fitting.



• Use a small piece of vacuum hose to connect your intake cleaner service adapter to the fitting, as shown.

Adapter Connected to the EVAP Port

- Start the engine.
- Set the throttle to between 1800 and 2000 RPM.
- Perform the intake cleaning service; it should take between 9 and 12 minutes for the system to draw in all of the cleaning solution.
- After all of the cleaning solution has been drawn through the intake, let the engine run for a minute or two, to clear the intake.
- Shut the engine off.
- Disconnect your intake cleaning service adapter.
- Reinstall the EVAP hose to the fitting on the intake.
- Replace the engine cover.

That's all there is to it: The intake system should be clean and working like new.