

Technical Service Information

GM 5L40E / BMW A5S360R

DELAYED FORWARD ENGAGEMENT

COMPLAINT: Some BMW "E" series and Cadillac CTS models built from 09/02 to 12/03 may

exhibit a delayed engagement from park to drive when cold. The delay may last

anywhere from two to thirty seconds.

CAUSE: The forward drum (C1) was manufactured with improper tolerances that cause the

clutch piston to not make a good seal between it and the clutch housing when the vehicle is parked for a prolonged period of time, such as overnight. Therefore on the

initial start, the forward clutch does not apply.

CORRECTION: Since internal parts are not available, a reman transmission will be necessary. Because

the manufacturer does not disclose any build code information, it is impossible to tell

which drum would be a good one if used parts are acquired.

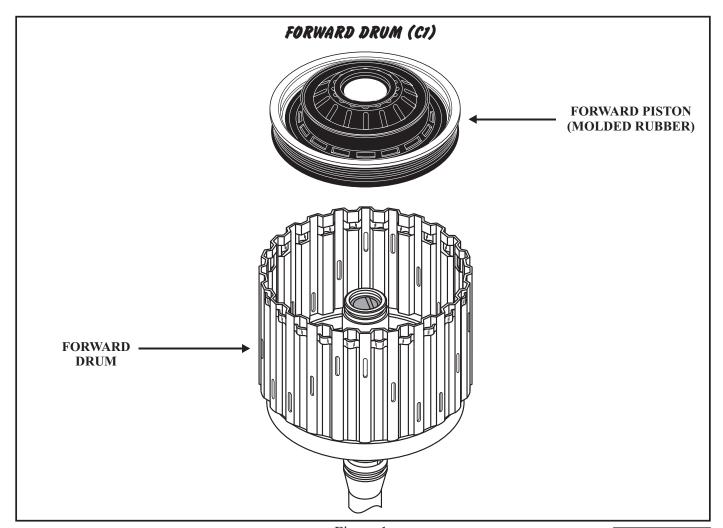


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