



# Technical Service Information

## **FORD AX4N NEW PUMP SPACER PLATE TO VALVE BODY GASKET**

**CHANGE:** A new design pump spacer plate to valve body gasket was implemented during the 1998 model year for all models of the AX4N transaxle.

**REASON:** To eliminate the possibility of unsupported gasket material breaking off and sticking valves in the valve body. The valve most commonly stuck has been the by-pass clutch control valve causing no converter clutch engagement.

**PARTS AFFECTED:**

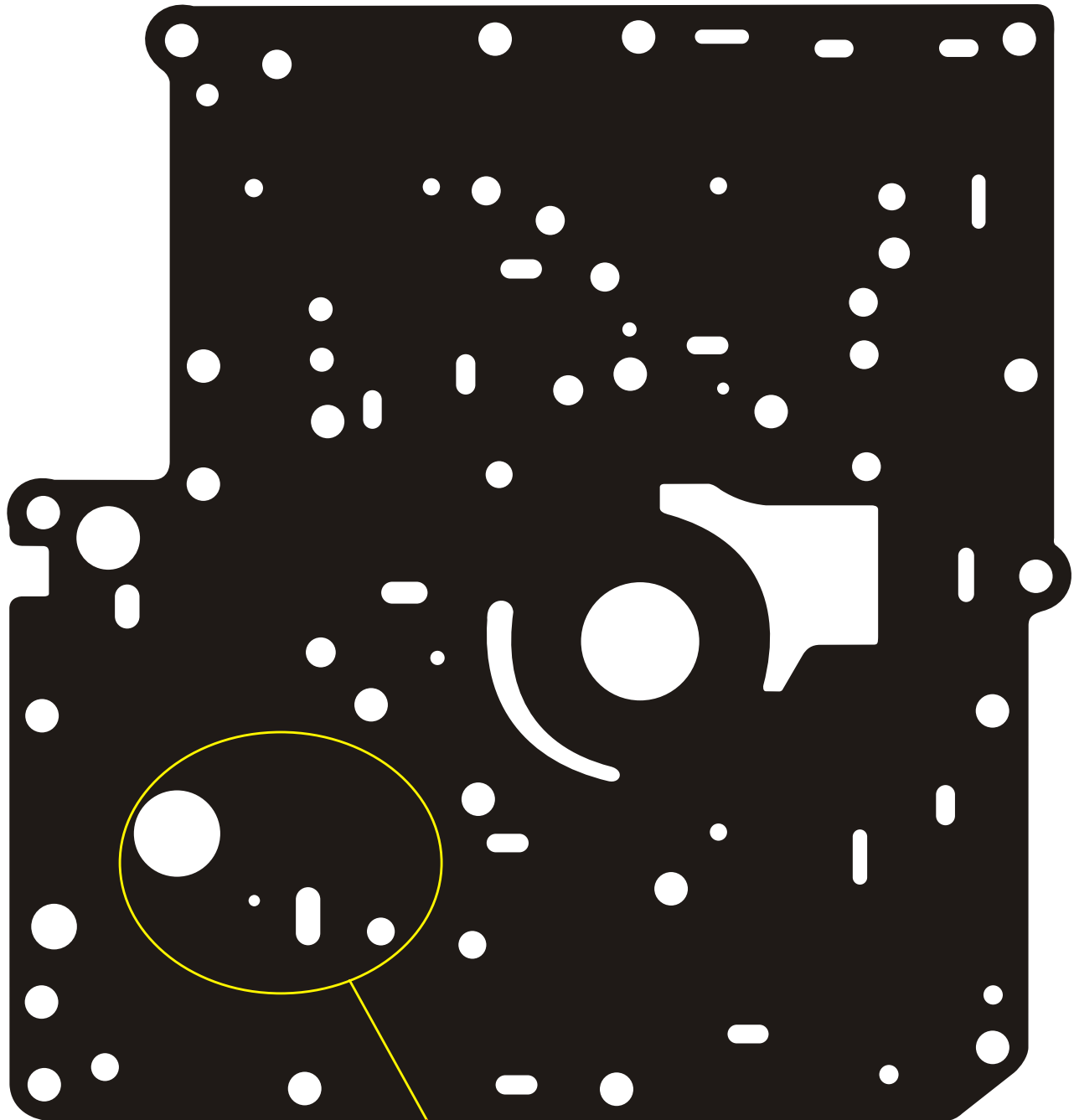
- (1) A large portion of the previous design gasket has been removed to prevent unsupported gasket material from breaking off and entering the valve body, as shown in Figures 1 and 2.

**SERVICE INFORMATION:**

Pump Spacer Plate To Valve Body Gasket (New Design) ..... F8DZ-7A136-AB

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**PREVIOUS DESIGN LEVEL PUMP SPACER  
PLATE TO VALVE BODY GASKET**

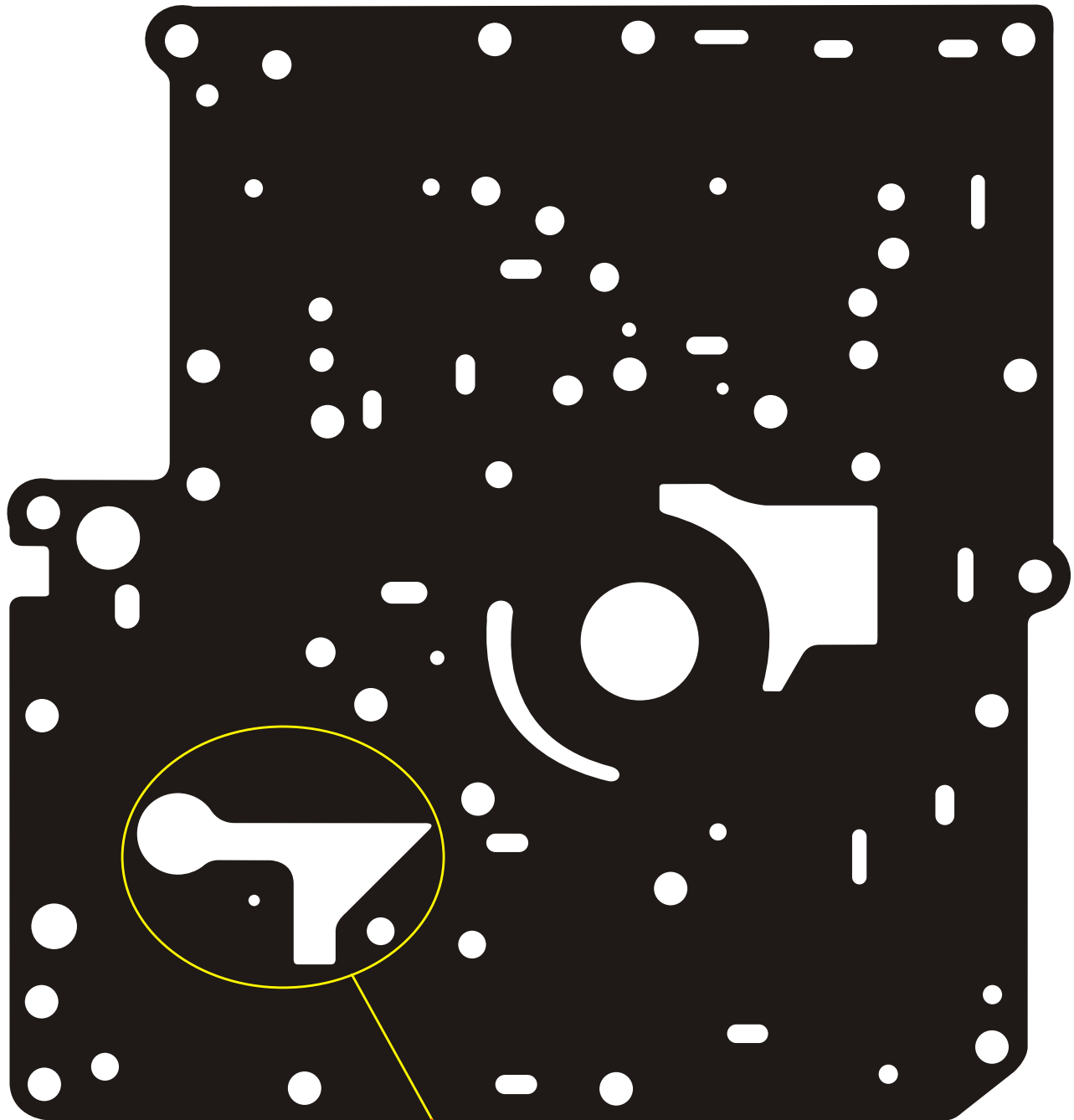


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Figure 1

**NEW DESIGN LEVEL PUMP SPACER  
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Figure 2