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SUBJECT:

New Power Steering Fluid - ATF+4 (MS9602), Factory Fill and Service

MODELS:

2000 - 2002	(AN)	Dakota
2000 - 2002	(DN)	Durango
2002	(DR)	Ram Pickup
2002	(JR)	Sebring Sedan, Stratus Sedan, Sebring Convertible
2002	(LH)	Concorde/Intrepid/Vision/LHS/New Yorker/300M
2002	(PG)	PT Cruiser (International Markets)
2001 - 2002	(PL)	Neon
2002	(PT)	PT Cruiser
2001 - 2002	(RG)	Chrysler Voyager (International Markets)
2001 - 2002	(RS)	Town & Country/Caravan/Voyager

DISCUSSION:

The factory fill power steering fluid was or will be changed for some 2001 and 2002 model year vehicles. The new fluid is ATF+4 (MS9602) and it provides superior performance at both low and high end temperatures. Refer to the table to identify factory fill and the approved service power steering fluid by year and model. Note that ATF+4 (MS9602) is Red in color and MS5931 and MS9933 are Amber/Yellow in color. All three fluids will darken in color with usage and fluid color is no longer an indication of fluid condition.

The part numbers for ATF+4 are 05013457AA (quart) and 05013458AA (gallon).

ATF+4 is compatible with other Chrysler approved power steering fluids, but to avoid confusion due the fluid color difference, ATF+4 should not be mixed or used as a "topping off" fluid on systems requiring MS5931 or MS9933. On some past models, ATF+4 should be used as the replacement fluid. On these models, if a steering system is being serviced that results in a large fluid loss, such as a pump, hose or gear/rack replacement, the complete system should be drained and filled with ATF+4 (MS9602).

NOTE: THIS BULLETIN SUPERSEDES OWNER'S AND SERVICE MANUALS FOR THE VEHICLES LISTED ABOVE THAT MAY STATE TO USE MS5931 OR MS9933 IN THE POWER STEERING SYSTEM, AND THAT MAY STATE NOT TO USE AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION FLUID (ATF+4) IN THE POWER STEERING SYSTEM.

BODY	YEAR	FACTORY FILL POWER STEERING FLUID	APPROVED SERVICE POWER STEERING FLUID
AN	2002 1994 - 2001	MS9602 MS5931	MS9602 (2000 - 2002) MS5931 (1999 and prior)
DN	2002 2000 - 2001 1998-1999	MS9602 MS5931 (built before June 1, 2001) MS9602 (built June 1, 2001 or later) MS5931	MS9602 MS9602 MS9602 MS5931
DR	2002	MS9602	MS9602
JR	2002 2001	MS9602 MS9933	MS9602 MS9933
LH	2002 1998 - 2001 1993 - 1997	MS9602 MS9933 MS5931	MS9602 MS9933 MS5931
PG	2002	MS9602	MS9602
PL	2002 2001 1999 - 2000 1995 - 1998	MS9602 MS9933 (built before June 5, 2001) MS9602 (built June 5, 2001 or later) MS9933 MS5931	MS9602 MS9933 MS9602 MS9933 MS5931
PT	2002 2001	MS9602 MS9933	MS9602 MS9933
RG	2002 2001	MS9602 MS5931 (built before July 2, 2001) MS9602 (built July 2, 2001 or later)	MS9602 MS9602 MS9602
RS	2002 2001	MS9602 MS5931 (built @ Windsor before May 22, 2001) MS9602 (built @ Windsor May 22, 2001 or later) MS5931 (built @ St. Louis before June 4, 2001) MS9602 (built @ St. Louis June 4, 2001 or later)	MS9602 MS9602 MS9602 MS9602

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