



**BRAKES**

# ENGINEERED SOLUTIONS

**Bulletin BES 00-01**  
**Ford, Windstar**

**Subject:** “Traction Control “TRAC Off” Lamp Flashing

**Vehicle Involved:** Ford Windstar built through 9/5/97 with a 3.8L Engine

**Condition:** “TRAC OFF” Lamp illuminated intermittently with a diagnostic trouble code U1009 and/or U1027 stored in memory. This may be due to an error in the communication link between the traction control module and the Powertrain Control Module (PCM).

**Repair Procedure:** Reprogram the PCM. The new calibration has been revised to reduce the possibility of a communication link problem.

1. Perform normal diagnostics found in the 1998 Powertrain Control/Emissions Diagnosis (PC/ED) On-Board Diagnostics II (OBD II) Service Manual and repair as required.
2. If the concern still exists, refer to the Ford Dealer to reprogram the PCM using the Service Bay Diagnostic System (SBDS) or New Generation Star (NGS) Tester.

**NOTE:** PCM replacement is not authorized by this TSB. Refer to the Powertrain Control/Emission Diagnosis (PC/ED) Service Manual for appropriate diagnostic procedures if PCM hardware concerns exist.

Obtain an Authorization Modification Decal and list the date, dealer number, and summary of modifications performed. Select a prominent place adjacent to the Vehicle Emission Control Information Decal suitable for installing the Authorized Modifications Decal. Clean the area, install the decal, and cover it with a clear plastic decal shield.