Evaluation of NGK Spark Plug Compact Emission Measurement System (NCEM)



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Real World PEMS testing is complex





Try to fit this in a VW Jetta



Instrumentation

AVL MOVE System (NO, NO₂, CO, CO₂, THC, PM/SPM, SPN) Concerto













PEMS testing is limited

- >Weight of Instrument could impact the emissions
- Setup complexity (size and system)
- Operation Complexity (1-2 hour before test)
- > Service purpose
- The accuracy of these compact unit is also a challenge



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Vehicle Information

Vehicle Model	Chevrolet Silverado 2500HD
Year	2012
Туре	Pickup Truck
Displacement	6.6 L
Number of Cylinders	8
Engine Air-Intake	Turbocharged
Fuel Injection	Common-rail direct fuel injection
Horsepower	397 hp@ 3000 rpm
Torque	765 lb-ft @ 1600 rpm
Compression Ratio	16.8 : 1
Aftertreatment	DOC/DPF/SCR
Certification Level	USEPA Tier2; CARB LEVII ULEV
Test Fuel	Retail ULSD



Local Routes



Start Point	End Point	Distance (mi)	Highway
UCR CECERT	UCR CECERT	7.3	None

□ Local routes simulate urban driving, similar driving pattern to LA4.



Test Routes (Way to LA)



Start Point	End Point	Distance (mi)	Highway
Columbia	West	63.6	I-60, I-10, I-
Ave,	Jefferson		710, and I-
Riverside	Boulevard		110

95% highway driving between UCR CECERT and main campus of the USC.



Test Routes (LA Downtown)



Start Point	End Point	Distance (mi)	Highway
West Jefferson Boulevard	West Jefferson Boulevard	15.7	I-110

Urban Driving downtown LA
 This routes essentially represents the 'LA4' lab cycle, which was used in developing the original FTP cycle.



Results: Second by Second over LA Routes



□ The NOx emissions measurement between this two PEMS instruments does correspond well and both show quick response while rapid NOx emissions.

Test Results (NOx)

		NOx (g)		Distance	NOx (g/mi)		
Routes		ΝΤΚ	AVL	Travelled (mi)	ΝΤΚ	AVL	
	Local 1	23.26	25.14	6.75	3.444	3.723	
Local Routes	Local 2	33.19	31.06	6.89	4.818	4.508	
	Local 3	34.22	26.85	6.76	5.060	3.970	
	Riverside to USC	137.21	142.99	63.22	2.170	2.262	
	LA Down Town_1	36.39	35.75	15.80	2.304	2.263	
LA Routes	LA Down Town_2	39.03	37.71	15.80	2.470	2.386	
	Idle, Creep	10.38	11.45	1.80	5.762	6.358	
	USC to Riverside	144.14	146.72	62.97	2.289	2.330	
	SUM	457.84	457.68	Average	3.540	3.475	
	% Difference	0.0	3%	% Difference	1.8	6%	
	p-value	0.9	994	p-value	0.9309		

□ Over 10 hours of operation with all different kind of driving conditions, the different between NCEM and AVL PEMS system is 0.03% in respect to the total gram of NOx measured, 1.86% in respect to g/mi measured.

□ There is no significant different (p-value) between NCEM and AVL PEMS system on measuring NOx emissions.

□ NOx emissions way high than certification level (LEVII ULEV, 0.20g/mi, for vehicles less than 50,000 mi), suggesting SCR malfunction.

□ There is no indication of SCR malfunction during the on road testing.

Repair Record from Dealership

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During the test, the only MIL light is low coolant level warning.
 Later was discovered the low coolant level is related to low DEF tank level, and then impact the amount of urea injection for SCR operation.
 Local dealer was able to fix the issue and clear the MIL.



Summary

Previous Study			This Study(SCR Issue)					Post St	tudy (After R	(epair
		g/mi	g/mi					g/mi		
Cycle	Test Fuel	NOx	Routes		Test Fuel	NTK_NOx	AVL_NOx	Cycle	Test Fuel	NOx
	Federal ULSD	0.145		Local 1	Retail ULSD	3.444	3.723		Retail ULSD	0.145
FTP	CARB ULSD	0.150	Local Routes	Local 2	Retail ULSD	4.818	4.508		Retail ULSD	0.150
	B20 Stock 1	0.173		Local 3	Retail ULSD	5.060	3.970		1	1
	B20 Stock 2	0.153	-	Riverside to USC	Retail ULSD	2.170	2.262	FTP		~
	B20 Stock 3	0.181		LA Down Town_1	Retail ULSD	2.304	2.263		A	() (
	B20 Stock 4	0.139	LA Routes	LA Down Town_2	Retail ULSD	2.470	2.386		77	1
	B20 Stock 5	0.142		Idle, Creep	Retail ULSD	5.762	6.358	NL	N/	1
	AVE	0.154		USC to Riverside	Retail ULSD	2.289	2.330	Nº Y	AVE	0.147

The SCR malfunction could cause NOx emission rate in the range of 2.1-5.8 g/mi, potentially 11-29 times higher than the certification standard and 14-38 times higher than the previous results.
 Both AVL PEMS and NCEM are good enough to capture a possible high emitting NOx malfunction vehicles
 Repair done at the dealership is able to bring the NOx emission level back to its original level.

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