

## **CODE 21**

## THROTTLE POSITION SENSOR (TPS) CIRCUIT (SIGNAL VOLTAGE HIGH) 2.8L "P" SERIES (PORT)

## **Circuit Description:**

The throttle position sensor (TPS) provides a voltage signal that changes relative to the throttle blade. Signal voltage will vary from about .5 at idle to about 5 volts at wide open throttle.

The TPS signal is one of the most important inputs used by the ECM for fuel control and for most of the ECM control outputs.

**Test Description**: Numbers below refer to circled numbers on the diagnostic chart.

- 1. Code 21 will set if
  - Engine running less than 1600
  - TPS signal voltage is greater than 2.5 volts.
  - All conditions met for 2 seconds.
  - MAP less than 70 kPa

With throttle closed the TPS should read less than 1.25 volts. If it does not replace TPS.

- With the TPS sensor disconnected, the TPS voltage should go low if the ECM and wiring are OK.
- 3. Probing CKT 452 with a test light checks the 5V return CKT, because a faulty 5V return will cause a Code 21.

## **Diagnostic Aids:**

A "Scan" tool reads throttle position in volts. Should read less than 1.25 volts with throttle closed and ignition "ON" or at idle. Voltage should increase at a steady rate as throttle is moved toward WOT.

An open in CKT 452 will result in a Code 21. Refer to Intermittents in Section "B".

