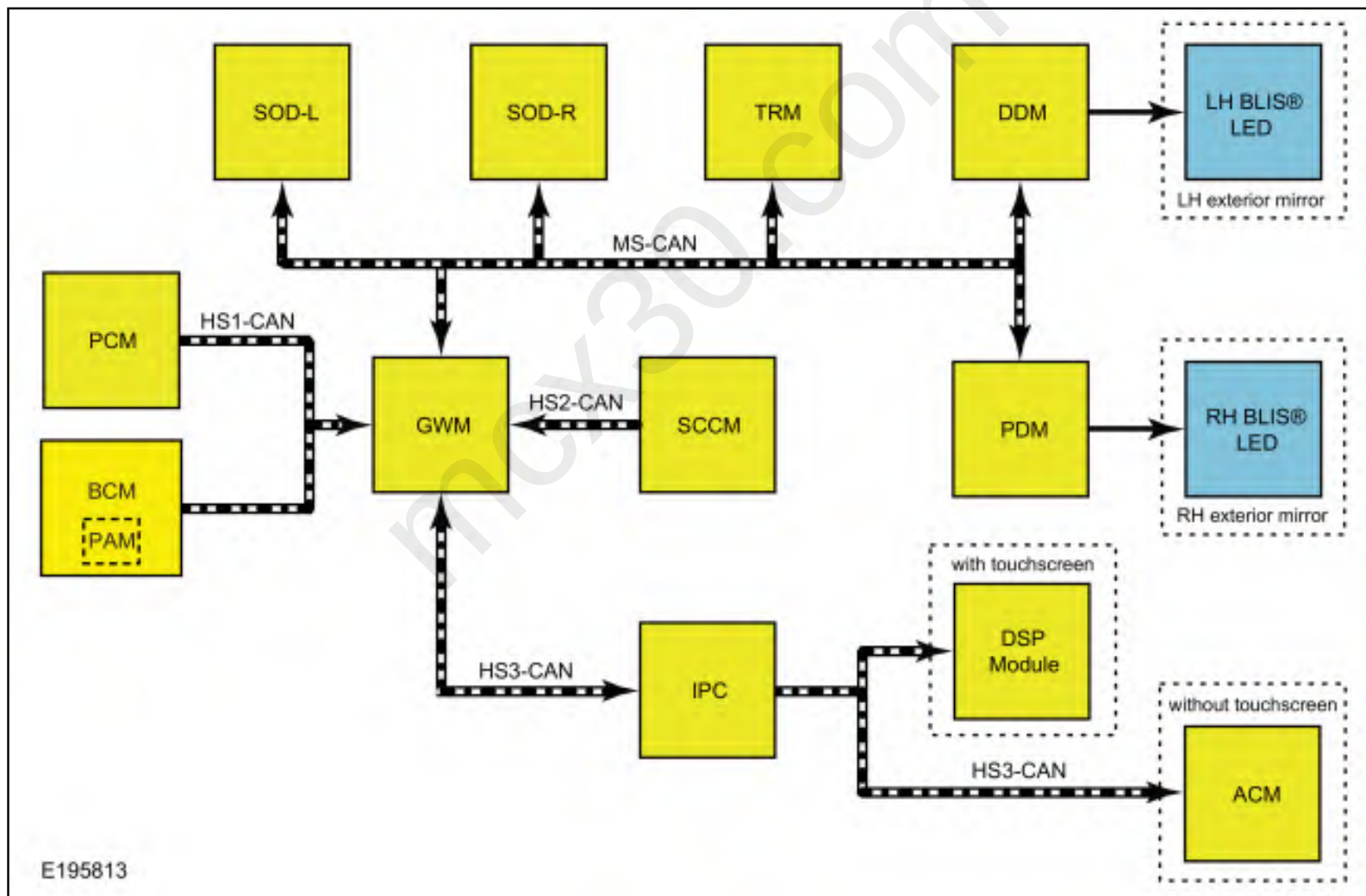


Blind Spot Information System - System Operation and Component Description

System Operation

BLIS® and CTA

System Diagram



Network Message Chart

IPC Network Input Messages

Broadcast Message	Originating Module	Message Purpose
BLIS trailer tow left status	SODL	Used to communicate the operating status of the SODL and to command the BLIS®.
BLIS trailer tow right status	SODR	Used to communicate the operating status of the SODR and to command the BLIS®.
Cross traffic alert left status	SODL	Used to command the CTA audio chime and the BLIS® RTT.
Cross traffic alert right status	SODR	
Side obstacle sensor status - left	SODL	Used to communicate the operating status of the SODL and to command the CTA message center displays.
Side obstacle sensor status - right	SODR	Used to communicate the operating status of the SODR and to command the CTA message center displays.

ACM Network Input Messages

Broadcast Message	Originating Module	Message Purpose
Chime source	IPC	Used to command the all audio chimes on without touchscreen.

DSP Network Input Messages

Broadcast Message	Originating Module	Message Purpose
Chime source	IPC	Used to command the all audio chimes on vehicles with touchscreen.

DDM Network Input Messages

Broadcast Message	Originating Module	Message Purpose
Cross traffic alert left status	SODL	Used to command the LH BLIS®/ CTA LED on and off.
Side obstacle sensor status-left	SODL	Used to command the LH BLIS®/ CTA LED on and off.
Side detect left illumination	SODL	Used to command the LH BLIS®/ CTA LED on and off.

PDM Network Input Messages

Broadcast Message	Originating Module	Message Purpose
Cross traffic alert right status	SODR	Used to command the RH BLIS®/ CTA LED on and off.
Side obstacle sensor status-right	SODR	Used to command the RH BLIS®/ CTA LED on and off.
Side detect right illumination	SODR	Used to command the RH BLIS®/ CTA LED on and off.

SODL Network Input Messages

Broadcast Message	Originating Module	Message Purpose
BLIS® LED status driver side	DDM	Used to confirm the operating status of the LH exterior mirror BLIS® LED.
BLIS®/ CTA enable/disable command	IPC	Used to enable/disable the BLIS® or CTA based on driver input.
Front wiper status	SCCM	Used to determine ambient weather conditions for correct system operation.
Gear lever position	PCM	Used to turn the BLIS® and CTA system on and off depending the gear lever position.
Ignition key type	BCM	Used to disable the ability to turn off the BLIS® and CTA when a MyKey® restricted key is in use.
Trailer lamp connected	TRM	Disables the BLIS® and CTA when a trailer is electrically connected to the vehicle.
Turn signal switch status	SCCM	Used to generate the secondary alert when a turn signal is activated.
Vehicle speed	PCM	The vehicle speed input is used to turn the BLIS® on above 10 km/h (6 mph).

SODR Network Input Messages

Broadcast Message	Originating Module	Message Purpose

BLIS® LED status driver side	PDM	Used to confirm the operating status of the RH exterior mirror BLIS®) LED.
BLIS®/ CTA enable/disable command	IPC	Used to enable/disable the BLIS® or CTA based on driver input.
Front wiper status	SCCM	Used to determine ambient weather conditions for correct system operation.
Gear lever position	PCM	Used to turn the BLIS® and CTA system on and off depending the gear lever position.
Ignition key type	BCM	Used to disable the ability to turn off the BLIS® and CTA when a MyKey® restricted key is in use.
Trailer lamp connected	TRM	Disables the BLIS® and CTA when a trailer is electrically connected to the vehicle.
Turn signal switch status	SCCM	Used to generate the secondary alert when a turn signal is activated.
Vehicle speed	PCM	The vehicle speed input is used to turn the BLIS® on above 10 km/h (6 mph).

BLIS®

NOTE: *If a trailer is electrically connected to the vehicle, the BLIS® is disabled. To activate BLIS® with trailer tow, with a trailer connected to the vehicle, the trailer must be selected or the trailer information must be entered using the IPC message center.*

The BLIS® provides alerts to the driver when the vehicle is in a forward gear and the vehicle speeds is greater than 8 km/h (5 mph).

The BLIS® can trigger an alert for vehicles that enter the blind zone from the rear, front, or merge into the blind zone from the side. The exterior mirror BLIS®/ CTA LED illuminates in the right and/or left exterior mirror when a target is present. For vehicles that pass through the blind zone quickly, typically less than 2 seconds, the BLIS® may not trigger an alert.

If a turn signal is active while BLIS® has detected a target in the blind zone, the BLIS®/ CTA LED flashes rapidly. When the turn signal is off, the BLIS® target warnings are a constant LED illumination.

NOTE: *The BLIS® is not intended to detect parked vehicles, pedestrians, or objects such as fences, guard rails or trees.*

Due to the nature of radar technology, false alerts may occur under certain circumstances. False alerts occur when the LED illuminates with no target present. False alerts up to 3% (3 out of 100 targets) is considered normal operation. False alerts are temporary and self-correcting. False alerts may be caused by sharp turns around a pole or building, jogging pedestrians or fast moving shopping carts.

Missed targets occur when a target is present and the LED does not illuminate. Missed targets up to 1% (1 out of 100 targets) is considered normal operation.

Circumstances that cause missed alerts are:

- Debris build-up or damage to the rear lamp assemblies
- Certain maneuvering of the vehicles entering and exiting the blind zone
- Vehicles passing through the blind zone at high rates of speed
- When several vehicles forming a convoy pass through the blind zone

The BLIS® may not detect an adjacent target immediately when the vehicle accelerates from a standing start with another vehicle alongside.

BLIS® With Trailer Tow

NOTE: *The BLIS® With Trailer Tow is an extended feature of BLIS® and depends on the proper functionality of BLIS®.*

NOTE: *The transmission needs to be in park (P) in order to select a specific trailer or to input the needed measurements into the IPC message center.*

NOTE: *The BLIS® with Trailer Tow only functions with a conventional trailer. If 5th wheel or gooseneck is selected then BLIS® and CTA functions will turn off.*

The BLIS® with Trailer Tow can be turned off through the IPC message center. If the BLIS® is turned off, then the BLIS® with Trailer Tow automatically turns off.

The following steps should be performed when setting up a trailer through the IPC message center:

- Select the type of trailer: conventional, 5th wheel or gooseneck. If 5th wheel or gooseneck is selected then BLIS® and CTA functions will turn off.
- Select whether or not the width of the new trailer is less than or equal to 2.6 m (8.5 ft).
- Enter the length of the new trailer. The length is measured between the trailer ball hitch and the back of the trailer. BLIS® with Trailer Tow should turn on and CTA turn off. However, if the trailer length is entered as 3 feet, then CTA remain on (3 feet length is reserved for bike racks and cargo racks).

When the trailer is first connected a message appear in the IPC message center that says “Trailer connected”. When connecting to a four pin trailer connector the brake pedal must be depressed immediately afterwards in order to get the “Trailer connected” message. If a preset trailer exists in the IPC then BLIS® with Trailer Tow automatically receives preset trailer information. If the trailer just connected is not the preset trailer, then select the correct trailer from the IPC menu or add a new trailer with the correct dimensions. If there are no preset trailers in the IPC, then the IPC automatically request trailer information. If at this point the driver exits the message center menus, then BLIS® and CTA automatically turn off. Otherwise, the driver must add new trailer information through the IPC.

False alerts are possible with a truck and trailer operating with BLIS® with Trailer Tow. If the ignition is cycled, the BLIS® with Trailer Tow continues to function using the last trailer selected.

The BLIS® with Trailer Tow is designed to work with any trailer whose front width is 2.6 m (8.5 ft) or less and the total length from the trailer hitch ball to the rear of the trailer is 10 m (33 ft) or less. Different trailers may cause a slight change in performance as outlined below.

- Large box trailers may cause false alerts to trigger when driving next to buildings or near parked cars.
- A false alert may also occur while making a 90-degree turns.
- Trailers that are 2.6 m (8.5 ft) wide at the front and have a total length greater than 6 m (20 ft) may have delayed alerts from passing vehicles when the vehicle is passing at high speed.
- A box trailer whose front width is 2.6 m (8.5 ft) may cause early alerts when over taking a vehicle.

CTA System

NOTE: *The CTA system is only active when reverse gear is selected.*

NOTE: *If a trailer is electrically connected to the vehicle, the CTA is disabled.*

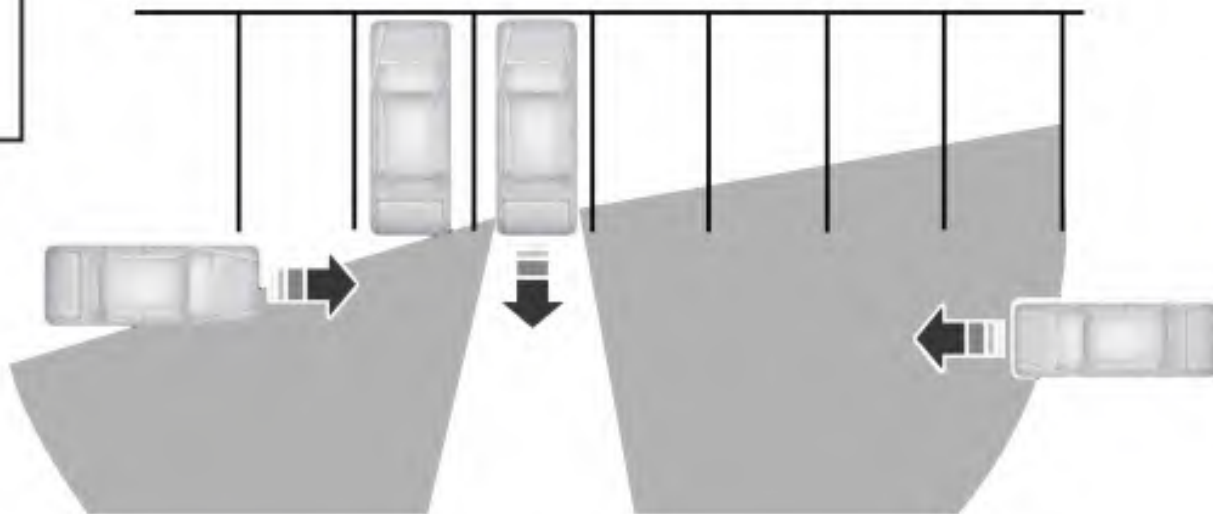
When the transmission is in reverse, the CTA system can detect a vehicle or a bicycle that is approaching at a speed between 8 km/h and 60 km/h (5 mph and 37 mph) and time to impact is between 1 and 2.5 seconds. The distance at which an alert is generated varies depending on the speed of the approaching vehicles or bicycles. The CTA system response time and performance can degrade if vehicles are approaching at speeds greater than 60 km/h (37 mph).

An adjacent parked vehicle or object can affect the systems ability to detect approaching vehicles or bicycles (refer to figure 1). Parking at extreme angles can further affect the systems ability to detect approaching vehicles or bicycles (refer to figure 2).

Backing towards a curved road can also affect the systems ability to detect approaching vehicles or bicycles (refer to figure 3).

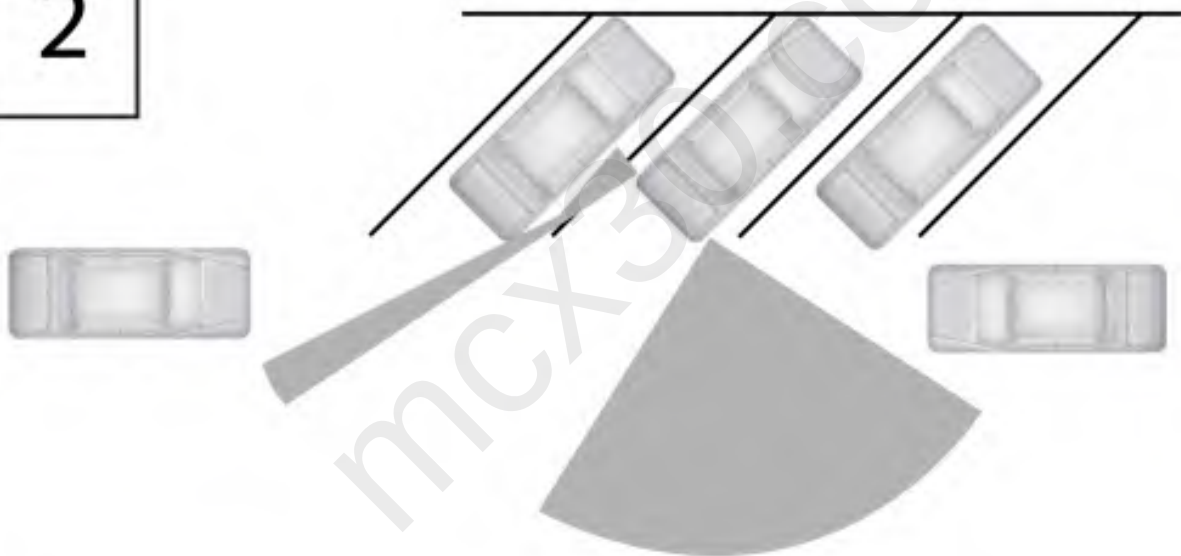
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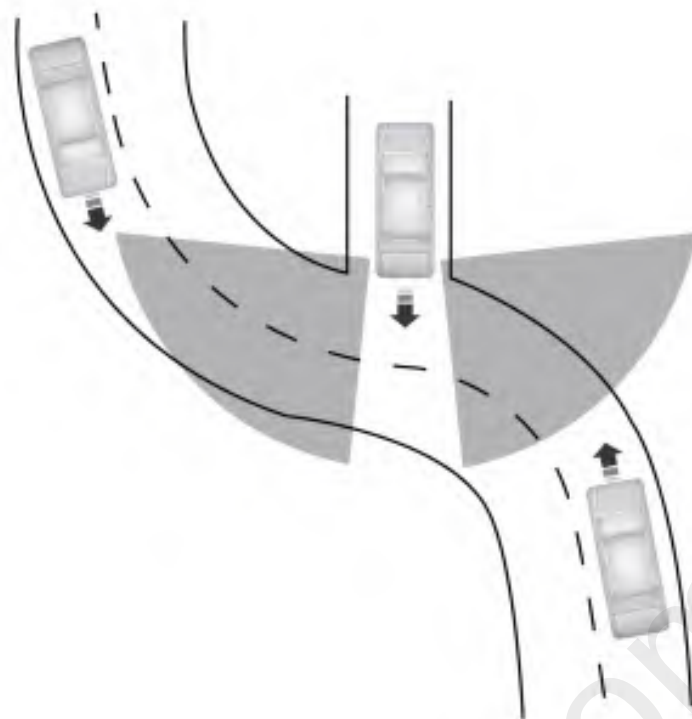
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The CTA system is designed to detect any objects approaching the vehicle at a speed equal to or greater than 8 km/h (5 mph). This includes vehicles and bicycles. The CTA system has some detection limitations due to the nature of the radar technology used by the SODL and SODR. The system cannot normally detect stationary vehicles, humans, animals or objects such as fences, guard rails or trees.

Circumstances that may cause non-detection are:

- Debris build-up or damage to the rear lamp assemblies
- The rear quarter panel of the vehicle is obstructed or partially obstructed by an adjacently parked vehicle or object
- Vehicle approaching at speeds greater than 64 km/h (40 mph)
- Driving in reverse faster than 12 km/h (8 mph)
- Damage to sensor and/or sensor area

Due to the nature of radar technology, there may be certain instances when the CTA system alerts the operator, when no object or vehicle is present while backing up. This is known as a false alert. False alerts up to 3% of the time (3 times out of 100 reversals) are considered normal. A false alert may occur when backing out of a garage or backing into a parking space and objects or vehicles are very close to the radar sensors. False alerts are temporary and self-correcting.

Missed targets occur when a target is present and the LED does not illuminate. Missed targets up to 1% (1 out of 100 targets) is considered normal operation.

Circumstances that cause missed alerts are:

- Debris build-up or damage to the rear lamp assemblies
- Certain maneuvering of the vehicles entering and exiting the detection zone
- Vehicles passing through the detection zone at high rates of speed
- When several vehicles forming a convoy pass through the detection zone

Exterior Mirror Indication

When the BLIS®, the BLIS® With Trailer Tow (if equipped) or CTA system is active and an object is detected by the SODL or SODR, the BLIS®/ CTA LED command message is sent from the SODL or SODR to the DDM or PDM. The DDM and PDM supply voltage and ground to illuminate their respective exterior mirror BLIS®/ CTA LED based on messages received from the SODL and SODR.

Each time the vehicle is started, the SODL and SODR command the DDM and PDM to illuminate the exterior mirror BLIS®/ CTA Light Emitting Diodes (LEDs) for approximately 3 seconds, indicating the BLIS® and CTA system is operational.

If a BLIS® or CTA system fault is present, the exterior mirror BLIS®/ CTA CTA Light Emitting Diodes (LEDs) remains off, the IPC BLIS® RTT illuminates and a message center warning displays BLIND SPOT SYSTEM FAULT.

BLIS® and CTA Message Center Function

NOTE: *CTA system faults may not be detected until the transmission is placed in reverse.*

NOTE: *The BLIS®, BLIS® With Trailer Tow (if equipped) and CTA system menus in the message center are not available when a MyKey® restricted key is in use.*

BLIS® can be turned off by using the blind spot on/off function in the message center. When the BLIS® has been turned off by the driver or if a system fault is present, the BLIS® RTT in the message center remains on. When turning the system on or off, the exterior mirror Light Emitting Diodes (LEDs) flash 2 times. When the BLIS® is turned off, the driver cannot receive any alerts. The system remains off until turned back on by the driver.

The CTA system can be turned off by selecting the CTA system on/off function in the message center. The system defaults to on with each ignition cycle.

There are some system faults that set Diagnostic Trouble Codes (DTCs) in the SODL, SODR, DDM or PDM. These Diagnostic Trouble Codes (DTCs) can set a message in the IPC message center that displays BLIND SPOT SYSTEM FAULT and/or CROSS TRAFFIC SYSTEM FAULT. There are also symptom based faults that do not set a DTC.

Blocked Sensor

NOTE: *Blockage sensing becomes active after the wipers are activated.*

NOTE: A blocked state is not a system fault. A blocked state is a normal mode of operation under blocked conditions.

An excessive build-up of materials on the rear lamp assemblies, such as mud or snow, can cause the BLIS® or CTA system functionality to degrade. Heavy rain can have the same affect on the system. If a blocked state is detected, the SODL and SODR blockage sensing senses the performance degradation and enters the SODL and SODR into a blocked state. The performance degradation means alerting late on targets or additional missed targets. Upon entering a blocked state, the SODL and/or SODR send a status message over the MS-CAN to the GWM. The GWM then sends the status message to the IPC on the HS-CAN3. The message center displays BLIND SPOT NOT AVAILABLE SENSOR BLOCKED or CROSS TRAFFIC NOT AVAILABLE SENSOR BLOCKED and the LH and RH exterior mirror BLIS®/ CTA Light Emitting Diodes (LEDs) illuminate.

The message center warning can be cleared by the driver, but the amber BLIS® off RTT in the IPC remains illuminated. A blocked state will self-clear when blockage sensing senses performance has returned to normal operation. The ignition can also be cycled off to clear the blocked state. If the blockage is still present after the ignition cycle, or after some drive time the system detects again that it is blocked, the blocked sensor message is displayed again in the message center and the amber BLIS® off IPC RTT is illuminated again.

Due to the nature of radar technology, it is possible to get a blocked sensor warning without the radar sensor being blocked. This is rare and is known as a false blockage warning. A false blocked condition either self-clears or clears after an ignition cycle.

Component Description

SODL / SODR

The SODL and SODR are radar based sensors that are located into the rear lamp assemblies. These sensors detect targets for the BLIS® and CTA system. The modules are capable of storing Diagnostic Trouble Codes (DTCs) for the BLIS® or CTA system when a concern exists. The SODL and SODR communicate through the MS-CAN.

The SODL and SODR require PMI when replaced.
Refer to: Module Configuration (418-01 Module Configuration) .

DDM/ PDM

The DDM and PDM supply voltage and ground to illuminate their respective exterior mirror BLIS®/ CTA LED based on messages received from the SODL and SODR. The modules are capable of storing BLIS®/ CTA LED and lost communication Diagnostic Trouble Codes (DTCs) for the BLIS® or CTA system when a concern exists. The DDM and PDM communicate through the MS-CAN.

The DDM and PDM require PMI when replaced.
Refer to: Module Configuration (418-01 Module Configuration) .

BLIS®/ CTA LED

The BLIS®/ CTA LED is integral to the LH and RH exterior mirror glass.

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