

Installation Instructions for: SYSTEM #17147

1993*-1995 CHEVROLET / GMC

5.0L & 5.7L ENGINES • EXTENDED CAB/SHORT BED (*With Flanged Converter Only)

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Removal:

- 1) Raise the vehicle up on a hoist or rack to working height and support with stands.
- 2) Using a hacksaw or sawsall, cut the stock tailpipe where it exits the muffler. (This step is not mandatory, but it makes removal a little easier.)
- 3) Separate the two wire hangers on the tailpipe from their rubber mounts on the vehicle. Remove the tailpipe and set aside.
- 4) Support the muffler with a stand. Separate the wire hanger from the rubber mount in front of the muffler. Remove the two nuts at the muffler to cat flange connection. Remove the muffler and set aside.

Installation:

- 1) Before installing anything, prep the clamps supplied in the hardware kit by removing the nuts, and applying a thick lubricant such as white grease or anti-seize to the threads.
- 2) Place inlet pipe **#26027** in position behind the catalytic converter. Connect wire hanger to its rubber mount and install the stock nuts back onto the flanged joint.
- 3) Connect the inlet of muffler **#53072** to the inlet pipe. Use a stand to support the muffler and install a 3" clamp, but do not tighten yet.
- 4) Place clamp hanger **#286HA** in the rubber mount right behind the muffler. Place over-axle pipe **#26030** through the clamp hanger and into the muffler outlet. Install a 3" clamp but do not tighten yet.
- 5) Connect exit pipe **#26011** to the rear of the over-axle pipe and connect the wire hanger to the rubber mount. Install a 3" clamp, but do not tighten yet.
- 6) Adjust the position of all pipes and the muffler to provide a satisfactory fit and adequate clearance for suspension travel. Maintain a minimum of 3/4" clearance around all drivetrain and chassis components.
- 7) Tighten down all clamped connections securely. After the system is secure, slide the 1/2" hanger keepers onto the end of the inlet, over the axle and tailpipe hangers. This will prevent the hangers from slipping out of the rubber mounts.
- 8) For a cleaner appearance and more secure installation, we highly recommend welding all slipfit connections. If you live in a geographical area that has harsh winters or sees a great deal of precipitation, the use of high temperature paint over the welded areas can help to prevent surface rust and premature corrosion.



FORCE II

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