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FOR FMVSS 124**

**ACCELERATOR CONTROL SYSTEMS**

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SECTION 1  
PURPOSE OF COMPLIANCE TEST



## 1. PURPOSE OF COMPLIANCE TEST

Tests were conducted on a 2003 Ford Crown Victoria, manufactured by Ford Motor Company, to determine compliance with FMVSS 124, "Accelerator Control Systems". FMVSS 124 establishes requirements for the return of a vehicle's throttle to the idle position when the driver removes the actuating force from the accelerator control, or in the event of a severance or disconnection in the accelerator control system. The purpose of this standard is to reduce the number of deaths and injuries resulting from engine over-speed caused by malfunctions in the accelerator control system.

All tests were conducted based on the current National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance (OVSC) Laboratory Procedures, TP-124V-06, dated April 20, 2000, and corresponding KARCO Engineering test procedure KTP-124, dated June 13, 2003, except for engine off testing which was authorized by the OVSC to provide additional data. Detailed procedures for receiving, inspecting, testing and reporting of test results are described in the test procedures and are not repeated in this report.

This report is organized in sections containing pertinent test information and data tables as follows:

- Section 2 - Compliance Test Procedure and Data Summary
- Section 3 - Test Results
- Appendix A - Photographs
- Appendix B - Data Plots
- Appendix C - Test Equipment List and Calibration Information

## **2. COMPLIANCE TEST PROCEDURE AND DATA SUMMARY**

A 2003 Ford Crown Victoria was subjected to FMVSS 124 compliance testing. The tests were conducted at KARCO Engineering in Adelanto, California on July 22, 2003. The following tests were performed:

- Inspection
- Time to Return to Idle Position (Complete Normal Operation)
- Time to Return to Idle Position (1<sup>st</sup> Energy Source Removed)
- Time to Return to Idle Position (2<sup>nd</sup> Energy Source Removed)
- Time to Return to Idle Position (Severance )

The tests were conducted per the FMVSS 124 test procedure. The significant aspects of the test procedure are described in the following paragraphs.

### **A. INSPECTION**

The operation of all adjustable accelerator control systems shall be checked to ascertain that the systems operate correctly. The accelerator control systems shall have at least two sources of energy capable of returning the throttle to the idle.

### **B. COMPLIANCE TEST EXECUTION (STATIC TESTING OF ACCELERATOR CONTROL SYSTEMS)**

#### **B.1 FULLY OPERATIONAL SYSTEM**

Continuously record ambient temperature, engine coolant temperature, throttle position versus time and engine RPM versus time for the duration of each test. The accelerator may be depressed by hand or foot pressure or by any other mechanical means. Conduct the tests for 25% WOT, 50% WOT, 75% WOT and 100% WOT. Conduct the test a second time with the engine off.

## **B.2 DISCONNECTION OF THE FIRST SOURCE OF THROTTLE RETURN ENERGY**

Remove one of the throttle return springs. Continuously record ambient temperature, engine coolant temperature, throttle position versus time, and engine RPM versus time for the duration of each test. The accelerator may be depressed by hand or foot pressure or by any other mechanical means. Conduct the tests for 25% WOT, 50% WOT, 75% WOT and 100% WOT. Conduct the test a second time with the engine off. Return the system to original condition.

## **B.3 DISCONNECTION OF THE SECOND SOURCE OF THROTTLE RETURN ENERGY**

Remove the second throttle return spring. Continuously record ambient temperature, engine coolant temperature, throttle position versus time, and engine RPM versus time for the duration of each test. The accelerator may be depressed by hand or foot pressure or by any other mechanical means. Conduct the tests for 25% WOT, 50% WOT, 75% WOT and 100% WOT. Conduct the test a second time with the engine off. Return the system to original condition.

## **B.5 SEVERANCE**

Identify the points determined in Section 11.3.4 of the test procedure to be the most critical in the accelerator control system. Induce severance or disconnection in the throttle return linkage. Continuously record ambient temperature, engine coolant temperature, throttle position versus time engine RPM versus time for the duration of each test. The accelerator may be depressed by hand or foot pressure or by any other mechanical means. Conduct the tests for 25% WOT, 50% WOT, 75% WOT and 100% WOT. Conduct the test a second time with the engine off. Return the system to original condition.

## **B.6 TEST SET-UP**

Each series of tests were conducted in the same manner. Throttle plate position was determined by measuring voltage output directly from the throttle position sensor. Engine RPM was obtained with an optical fifth wheel recording speed on an engine belt. The Ford Crown Victoria was rpm limited and the RPM of the engine remained relatively constant for throttle plate positions beyond a certain point. On data traces, time of release of accelerator pedal and time of severance is time zero (%) on data trace is percent of throttle maximum rotation where zero is the idle state position. On data traces, RPM time is for RPM to return to approximate steady state idle. Worst case severance was accomplished by disconnecting the accelerator cable from the throttle body and actuating the throttle position with a piece of string. Time zero on the data plots equates to release of string simulating failure.

SECTION 3  
TEST DATA

### 3. TEST DATA

The results of FMVSS 124 compliance tests that were conducted on the 2003 Ford Crown Victoria on July 22, 2003, to determine compliance with FMVSS 124, "Accelerator Control Systems" are presented in this section.

**DATA SHEET NO. 1**

**VEHICLE INSPECTION AND IDENTIFICATION**

| <u>TEST VEHICLE INFORMATION</u> |                      |                        |                   |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| Manufacturer                    | Ford Motor Corp      | VIN                    | 2FAFP73W33X180682 |
| Manufacturing Date              | 01/03                | Delivery Date          | 03/15/03          |
| Dealer                          | Antelope Valley Ford | NHTSA No.              | C30204            |
| Odometer Reading (mi.)          | 77                   | Fuel Type              | Gas               |
| Engine Displacement             | 4.6 LT               | Cylinders              | V8                |
| Transmission                    | Automatic            | Final Drive            | Rear              |
| Engine Placement                | Longitudinal         | Color                  | Blue              |
| Tire Press./Max. Cap. Front     | 32 psi               | Cold Tire Press. Front | 32 psi            |
| Tire Press./Max. Cap. Rear      | 35 psi               | Cold Tire Press. Rear  | 35 psi            |
| Recommend Tire Size             | P225/60R16           | Type of Spare          | T145/80D16        |
| Tire Size on Vehicle            | P225/60R16           | Manufacturer           | Good Year         |
| GVWR                            | 5804                 | Cargo Capacity         | 1100              |
| GAWR Front                      | 2700                 | GAWR Rear              | 3104              |
| Air Conditioning                | YES                  | Power Steering         | YES               |
| Power Brakes                    | YES                  | AM/FM/Cassette         | YES               |
| Disc Brakes (Front)             | YES                  | Disc Brakes (Rear)     | NO                |
| Power Windows                   | YES                  | Tilt Steering          | YES               |
| Anti-lock Brakes (ABS)          | YES                  | Power Seats            | YES               |
| Driver Airbag                   | YES                  | Passenger Airbag       | YES               |

**DATA SHEET NO. 2**

**VEHICLE THROTTLE CONTROL INSPECTION**

| VEHICLE    |                |              |                   |
|------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
| YEAR       | 2003           | MAKE         | Ford              |
| MODEL      | Crown Victoria | BODY STYLE   | 4 - door          |
| NHTSA NO.  | C30204         | VIN          | 2FAFP73W33X180682 |
| TEST DATE: | 07/22/03       | TEMPERATURE: | N/A               |

|   |  |
|---|--|
| Determine how many forms of energy are present on the vehicle to return throttle to idle. If more than two, describe the third in the comments below. | 2  |
| Describe the first energy source.   | Torsion spring mounted on throttle shaft.                |
| Describe the second energy source.  | Tension spring mounted on throttle shaft                 |
| Describe the third energy source.   | N/A  |
| Does vehicle have a return spring on the accelerator pedal?   | No   |
| Describe point of severance.  | Throttle cable was disconnected from the throttle shaft. |
|   |  |

**Comments:**

|              |          |          |          |  |
|--------------|----------|----------|----------|--|
| TEST STATUS: | PASSED — | <b>x</b> | FAILED — |  |
|--------------|----------|----------|----------|--|

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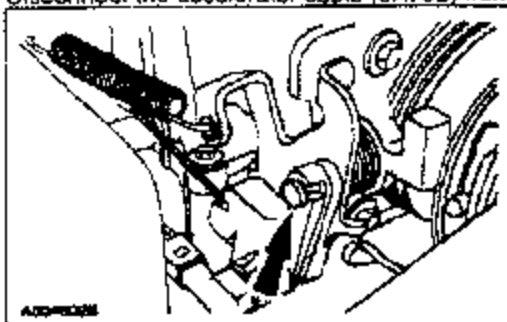
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**MANUFACTURER'S DRAWINGS**

| VEHICLE    |                |              |                   |
|------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
| YEAR       | 2003           | MAKE         | Ford              |
| MODEL      | Crown Victoria | BODY STYLE   | 4 door            |
| NHTSA NO.  | C30204         | VIN          | 2FAFP73W33X180682 |
| TEST DATE: | 07/22/03       | TEMPERATURE: | N/A               |

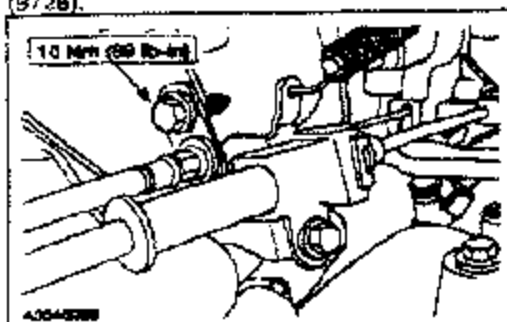
**Accelerator Cable —4.6L (2V)**

**Removal and Installation**

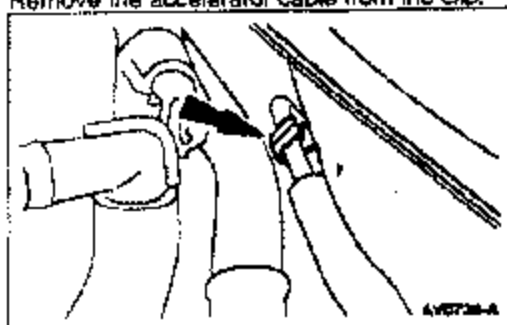
1. Remove the front engine appearance cover (8A95T) and the throttle return spring (9B569). For additional information, refer [Section 303-12](#).
2. Disconnect the accelerator cable (9A758) from the throttle body lever.



3. Remove the screw (cable to bracket) and remove the accelerator cable from the accelerator cable bracket (B728).



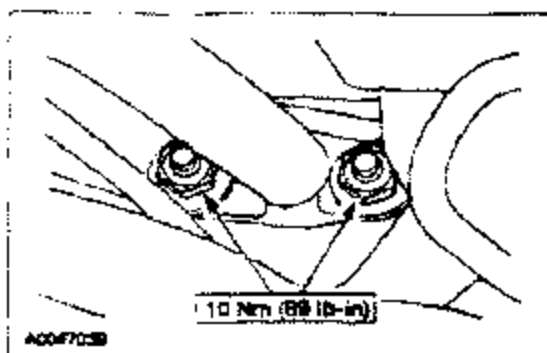
4. Remove the accelerator cable from the clip.



5. Remove the nuts.

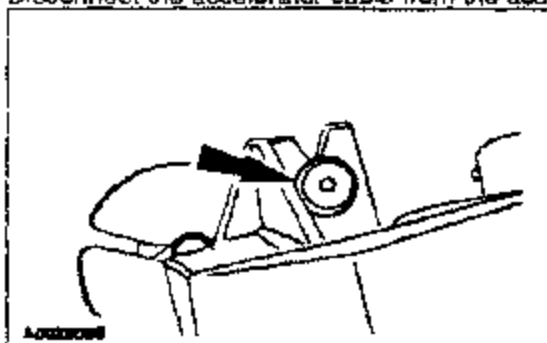
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**MANUFACTURER'S DRAWINGS**

| VEHICLE    |                |              |                   |
|------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
| YEAR       | 2003           | MAKE         | Ford              |
| MODEL      | Crown Victoria | BODY STYLE   | 4 door            |
| NHTSA NO.  | C30204         | VIN          | 2FAFP73W33X180682 |
| TEST DATE: | 07/22/03       | TEMPERATURE: | N/A               |

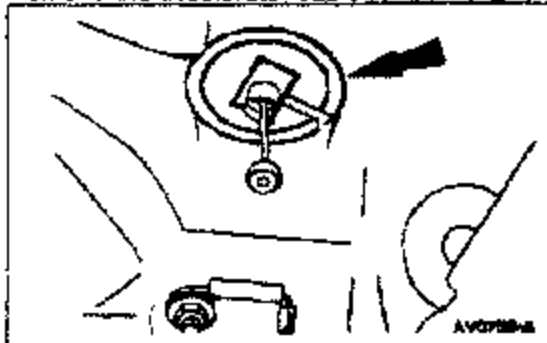


6. **NOTE:** Non-memory pedal shown, memory pedal similar.

Disconnect the accelerator cable from the accelerator pedal and shaft (9725).



7. Remove the accelerator cable retainer (9E72B).



8. Pull cable through the dash panel and remove from the vehicle.  
 9. To install, reverse the removal procedure.

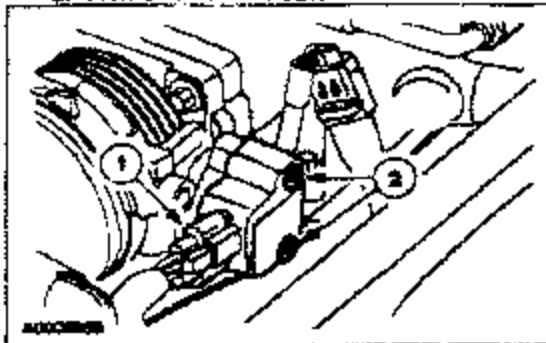
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**MANUFACTURER'S DRAWINGS**

| VEHICLE    |                |              |                   |
|------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
| YEAR       | 2003           | MAKE         | Ford              |
| MODEL      | Crown Victoria | BODY STYLE   | 4 door            |
| NHTSA NO.  | C30204         | VIN          | 2FAFP73W33X180682 |
| TEST DATE: | 07/22/03       | TEMPERATURE: | N/A               |

**Throttle Position (TP) Sensor —4.6L (2V)**

**Removal and Installation**

1. Disconnect the battery ground cable. For additional information, refer to [Section 414-01](#).
2. Remove the engine appearance cover.
3. Remove the throttle position (TP) sensor.
  1. Disconnect the electrical connector.
  2. Remove the sensor.



4. To install, reverse the removal procedure.

**DATA SHEET NO. 4**

**TEST EXECUTION**

| VEHICLE    |                |              |                   |
|------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
| YEAR       | 2003           | MAKE         | Ford              |
| MODEL      | Crown Victoria | BODY STYLE   | 4 door            |
| NHTSA NO.  | C30204         | VIN          | 2FAFP73W33X180682 |
| TEST DATE: | 07/22/03       | TEMPERATURE: | 31°C              |

| THROTTLE CONTROL SYSTEM CONDITION: |                           |                          |            | ACCELERATOR CONTROL SYSTEM INTACT, AMBIENT TEMPERATURE, ENGINE ON |  |                        |            |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------|---|--|------------------------|------------|
| TEST NO.                           | NOMINAL THROTTLE POSITION | ACTUAL THROTTLE POSITION | ENGINE RPM | ENGINE COOLANT TEMPERATURE  | THROTTLE POSITION SENSOR READING AT IDLE | TIME TO RETURN TO IDLE | PASS /FAIL |
| 1                                  | 25%                       | 25.3%                    | 2478.7     | 89°C  | 0.0%                                     | 120 msec               | Pass       |
| 2                                  | 50%                       | 52.5%                    | 3655.6     | 89°C  | 0.0%                                     | 120 msec               | Pass       |
| 3                                  | 75%                       | 76.9%                    | 4042.5     | 89°C  | 0.0%                                     | 130 msec               | Pass       |
| 4                                  | 100%                      | 100.4%                   | 3993.2     | 89°C  | 0.0%                                     | 110 msec               | Pass       |

| THROTTLE CONTROL SYSTEM CONDITION: |                           |                          |            | ACCELERATOR CONTROL SYSTEM INTACT, AMBIENT TEMPERATURE, ENGINE OFF |  |                        |            |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------|--|--|------------------------|------------|
| TEST NO.                           | NOMINAL THROTTLE POSITION | ACTUAL THROTTLE POSITION | ENGINE RPM | ENGINE COOLANT TEMPERATURE   | THROTTLE POSITION SENSOR READING AT IDLE | TIME TO RETURN TO IDLE | PASS /FAIL |
| 1                                  | 25%                       | 28.3%                    | N/A        | N/A  | 0.0%                                     | 90 msec                | Pass       |
| 2                                  | 50%                       | 51.4%                    | N/A        | N/A  | 0.0%                                     | 100 msec               | Pass       |
| 3                                  | 75%                       | 78.2%                    | N/A        | N/A  | 0.0%                                     | 130 msec               | Pass       |
| 4                                  | 100%                      | 100.1%                   | N/A        | N/A  | 0.0%                                     | 110 msec               | Pass       |

**RETURN TIME REQUIREMENTS:**

- 1 second (1000 msec) for vehicles less than 4536 kg.
- 2 seconds (2000 msec) for vehicles more than 4536 kg.
- 3 seconds (3000 msec) for vehicle exposed to -18°C or less.

|              |          |   |          |  |
|--------------|----------|---|----------|--|
| TEST STATUS: | PASSED — | x | FAILED — |  |
|--------------|----------|---|----------|--|

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**DATA SHEET NO. 4...(CONTINUED)**

**TEST EXECUTION**

| VEHICLE    |                |              |                   |
|------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
| YEAR       | 2003           | MAKE         | Ford              |
| MODEL      | Crown Victoria | BODY STYLE   | 4 door            |
| NHTSA NO.  | C30204         | VIN          | 2FAFP73W33X180682 |
| TEST DATE: | 07/22/03       | TEMPERATURE: | 31°C              |

| THROTTLE CONTROL SYSTEM CONDITION: |                           |                          |            | 1 <sup>ST</sup> RETURN SPRING REMOVED, AMBIENT TEMPERATURE, ENGINE ON |  |                        |            |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------|---|--|------------------------|------------|
| TEST NO.                           | NOMINAL THROTTLE POSITION | ACTUAL THROTTLE POSITION | ENGINE RPM | ENGINE COOLANT TEMPERATURE  | THROTTLE POSITION SENSOR READING AT IDLE | TIME TO RETURN TO IDLE | PASS /FAIL |
| 1                                  | 25%                       | 29.0%                    | 4124.1     | 93°C  | 0.0%                                     | 150 msec               | Pass       |
| 2                                  | 50%                       | 43.7%                    | 4072.0     | 93°C  | 0.0%                                     | 100 msec               | Pass       |
| 3                                  | 75%                       | 78.7%                    | 4037.9     | 93°C  | 0.0%                                     | 170 msec               | Pass       |
| 4                                  | 100%                      | 99.5%                    | 4064.8     | 93°C  | 0.0%                                     | 120 msec               | Pass       |

| THROTTLE CONTROL SYSTEM CONDITION: |                           |                          |            | 1 <sup>ST</sup> RETURN SPRING REMOVED, AMBIENT TEMPERATURE, ENGINE OFF |  |                        |            |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------|--|--|------------------------|------------|
| TEST NO.                           | NOMINAL THROTTLE POSITION | ACTUAL THROTTLE POSITION | ENGINE RPM | ENGINE COOLANT TEMPERATURE   | THROTTLE POSITION SENSOR READING AT IDLE | TIME TO RETURN TO IDLE | PASS /FAIL |
| 1                                  | 25%                       | 27.8%                    | N/A        | N/A  | 0.0%                                     | 80 msec                | Pass       |
| 2                                  | 50%                       | 52.8%                    | N/A        | N/A  | 0.0%                                     | 130 msec               | Pass       |
| 3                                  | 75%                       | 79.9%                    | N/A        | N/A  | 0.0%                                     | 140 msec               | Pass       |
| 4                                  | 100%                      | 100.5%                   | N/A        | N/A  | 0.0%                                     | 150 msec               | Pass       |

**RETURN TIME REQUIREMENTS:**

- 1 second (1000 msec) for vehicles less than 4536 kg.
- 2 seconds (2000 msec) for vehicles more than 4536 kg.
- 3 seconds (3000 msec) for vehicle exposed to -18°C or less.

|              |          |   |          |
|--------------|----------|---|----------|
| TEST STATUS: | PASSED — | x | FAILED — |
|--------------|----------|---|----------|

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APPROVED BY: MATTHEW A. IVORY DATE: 07/22/03

**DATA SHEET NO. 4...(CONTINUED)**

**TEST EXECUTION**

| VEHICLE    |                |              |                   |
|------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|
| YEAR       | 2003           | MAKE         | Ford              |
| MODEL      | Crown Victoria | BODY STYLE   | 4 door            |
| NHTSA NO.  | C30204         | VIN          | 2FAPF73W33X180682 |
| TEST DATE: | 07/22/03       | TEMPERATURE: | 33°C              |

| THROTTLE CONTROL SYSTEM CONDITION: |                           |                          |            | 2 <sup>ND</sup> RETURN SPRING REMOVED, AMBIENT TEMPERATURE, ENGINE ON |  |                        |            |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------|---|--|------------------------|------------|
| TEST NO.                           | NOMINAL THROTTLE POSITION | ACTUAL THROTTLE POSITION | ENGINE RPM | ENGINE COOLANT TEMPERATURE  | THROTTLE POSITION SENSOR READING AT IDLE | TIME TO RETURN TO IDLE | PASS /FAIL |
| 1                                  | 25%                       | 25.7%                    | 4227.8     | 92°C  | 0.0%                                     | 170 msec               | Pass       |
| 2                                  | 50%                       | 50.0%                    | 4525.1     | 92°C  | 0.0%                                     | 110 msec               | Pass       |
| 3                                  | 75%                       | 76.5%                    | 4466.9     | 92°C  | 0.0%                                     | 210 msec               | Pass       |
| 4                                  | 100%                      | 100.2%                   | 4526.1     | 92°C  | 0.0%                                     | 110 msec               | Pass       |

| THROTTLE CONTROL SYSTEM CONDITION: |                           |                          |            | 2 <sup>ND</sup> RETURN SPRING REMOVED, AMBIENT TEMPERATURE, ENGINE OFF |  |                        |            |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------|--|--|------------------------|------------|
| TEST NO.                           | NOMINAL THROTTLE POSITION | ACTUAL THROTTLE POSITION | ENGINE RPM | ENGINE COOLANT TEMPERATURE   | THROTTLE POSITION SENSOR READING AT IDLE | TIME TO RETURN TO IDLE | PASS /FAIL |
| 1                                  | 25%                       | 24.3%                    | N/A        | N/A  | 0.0%                                     | 90 msec                | Pass       |
| 2                                  | 50%                       | 52.0%                    | N/A        | N/A  | 0.0%                                     | 120 msec               | Pass       |
| 3                                  | 75%                       | 79.7%                    | N/A        | N/A  | 0.0%                                     | 190 msec               | Pass       |
| 4                                  | 100%                      | 100.3%                   | N/A        | N/A  | 0.0%                                     | 130 msec               | Pass       |

**RETURN TIME REQUIREMENTS:**

1 second (1000 msec) for vehicles less than 4536 kg.

2 seconds (2000 msec) for vehicles more than 4536 kg.

3 seconds (3000 msec) for vehicle exposed to -18°C or less.

|              |          |   |          |
|--------------|----------|---|----------|
| TEST STATUS: | PASSED — | x | FAILED — |
|--------------|----------|---|----------|

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DATE: 07/22/03

**DATA SHEET NO. 4...(CONTINUED)**

**TEST EXECUTION**

| VEHICLE    |                     |              |                   |
|------------|---------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| YEAR       | 2003                | MAKE         | FORD              |
| MODEL      | FORD CROWN VICTORIA | BODY STYLE   | 4 door            |
| NHTSA NO.  | C30204              | VIN          | 2FAFP73W33X180682 |
| TEST DATE: | 07/22/03            | TEMPERATURE: | 34°C              |

| THROTTLE CONTROL SYSTEM CONDITION: |                           |                          |            | SEVERANCE                  |  |                        |            |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------|----------------------------|--|------------------------|------------|
| TEST NO.                           | NOMINAL THROTTLE POSITION | ACTUAL THROTTLE POSITION | ENGINE RPM | ENGINE COOLANT TEMPERATURE | THROTTLE POSITION SENSOR READING AT IDLE | TIME TO RETURN TO IDLE | PASS /FAIL |
| 1                                  | 25%                       | 26.7%                    | 3279.0     | 93°C                       | 0.0%                                     | 80 msec                | Pass       |
| 2                                  | 50%                       | 49.7%                    | 4280.7     | 93°C                       | 0.0%                                     | 160 msec               | Pass       |
| 3                                  | 75%                       | 75.7%                    | 4314.5     | 93°C                       | 0.0%                                     | 140 msec               | Pass       |
| 4                                  | 100%                      | 102.7%                   | 4396.1     | 93°C                       | 0.0%                                     | 150 msec               | Pass       |

| THROTTLE CONTROL SYSTEM CONDITION: |                           |                          |            | SEVERANCE                  |  |                        |            |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------|----------------------------|--|------------------------|------------|
| TEST NO.                           | NOMINAL THROTTLE POSITION | ACTUAL THROTTLE POSITION | ENGINE RPM | ENGINE COOLANT TEMPERATURE | THROTTLE POSITION SENSOR READING AT IDLE | TIME TO RETURN TO IDLE | PASS /FAIL |
| 1                                  | 25%                       | 27.2%                    | N/A        | N/A                        | 0.0%                                     | 130 msec               | Pass       |
| 2                                  | 50%                       | 49.3%                    | N/A        | N/A                        | 0.0%                                     | 110 msec               | Pass       |
| 3                                  | 75%                       | 73.5%                    | N/A        | N/A                        | 0.0%                                     | 140 msec               | Pass       |
| 4                                  | 100%                      | 100.7 %                  | N/A        | N/A                        | 0.0%                                     | 120 msec               | Pass       |

**RETURN TIME REQUIREMENTS:**

- 1 second (1000 msec) for vehicles less than 4536 kg.
- 2 seconds (2000 msec) for vehicles more than 4536 kg.
- 3 seconds (3000 msec) for vehicle exposed to -18°C or less.

|              |          |   |          |
|--------------|----------|---|----------|
| TEST STATUS: | PASSED — | x | FAILED — |
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APPENDIX A  
PHOTOGRAPHS



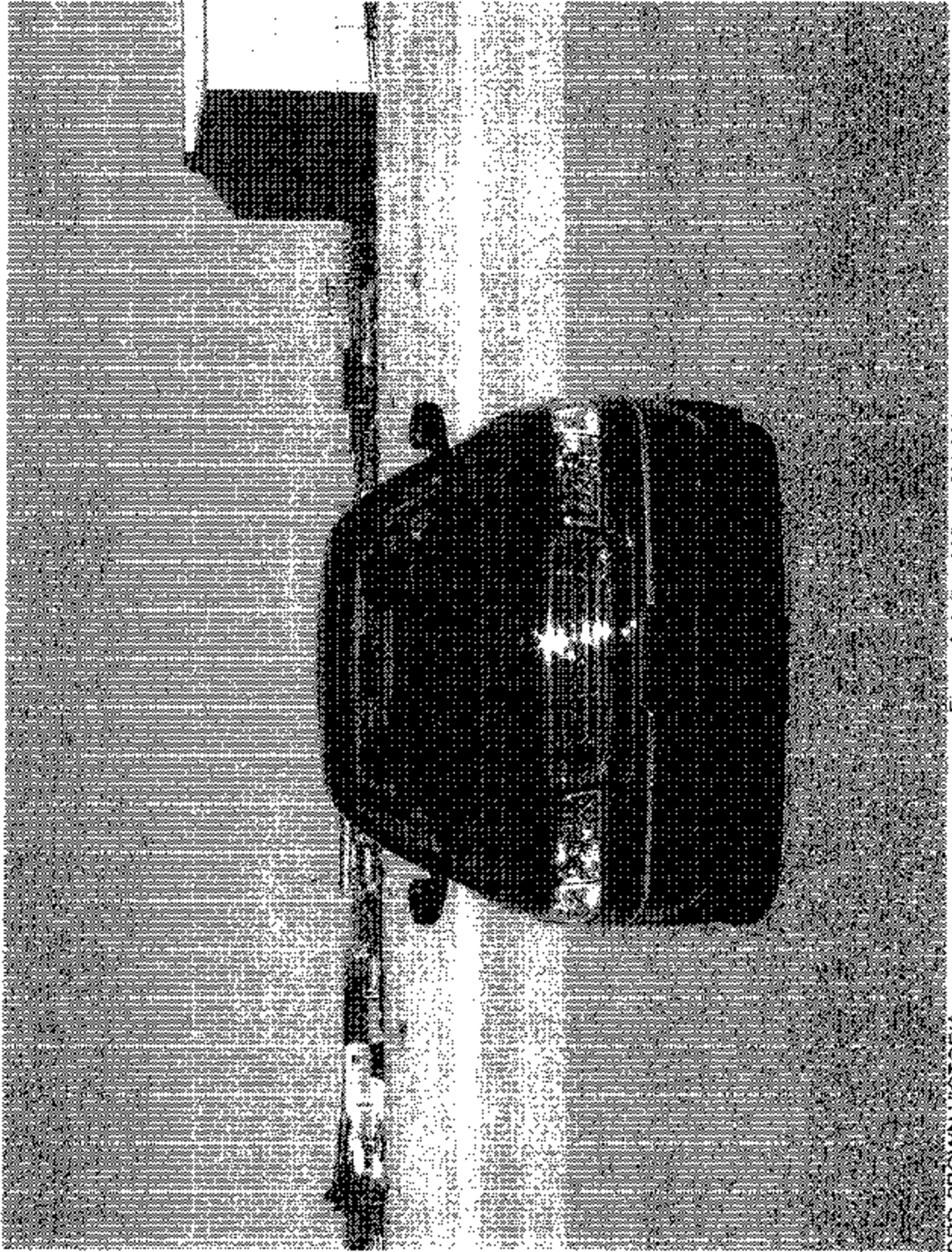


Figure A-1: Front View of Vehicle

2003 FORD CROWN VICTORIA  
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FMVSS NO. 124

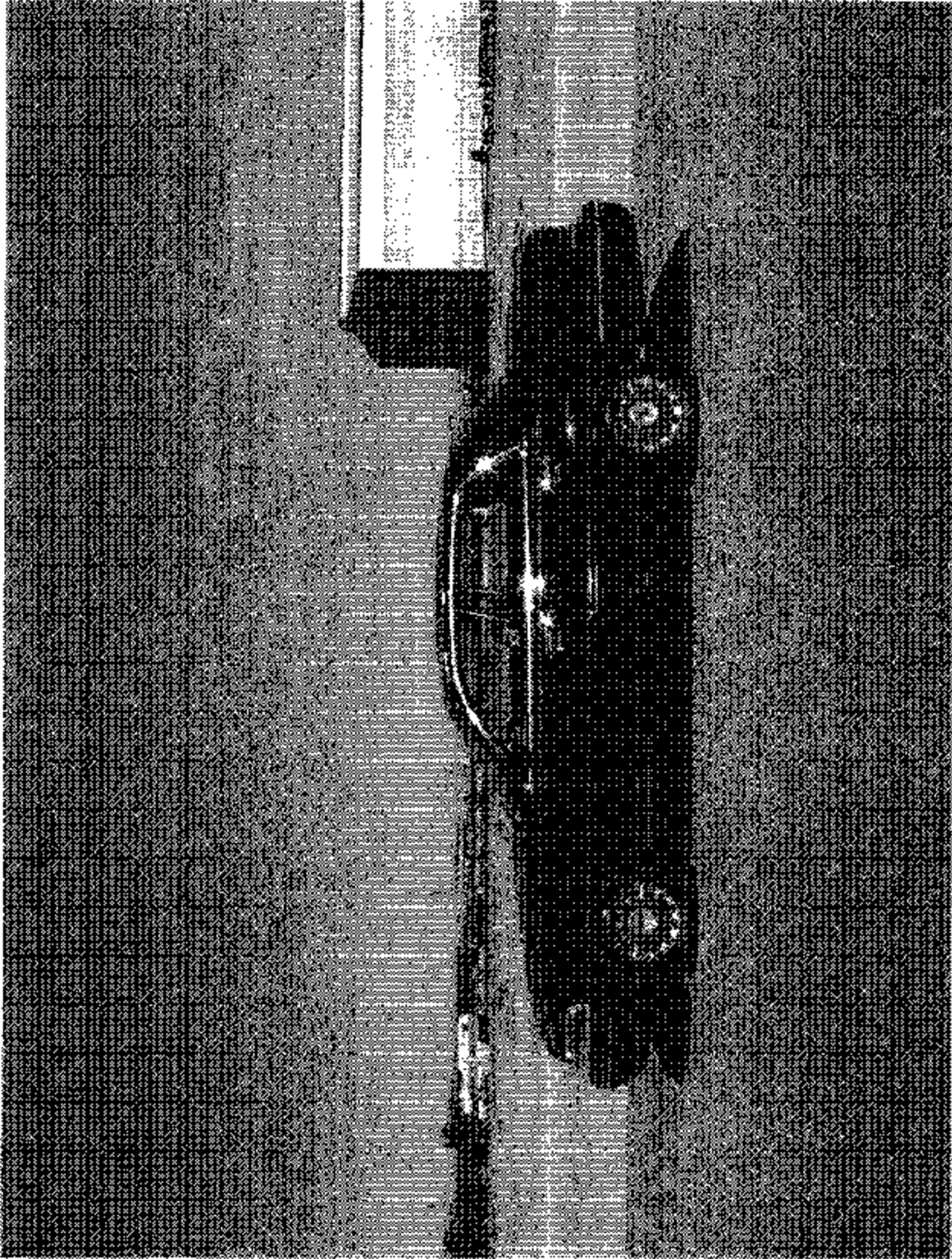


Figure A-2: Left Side View of Vehicle

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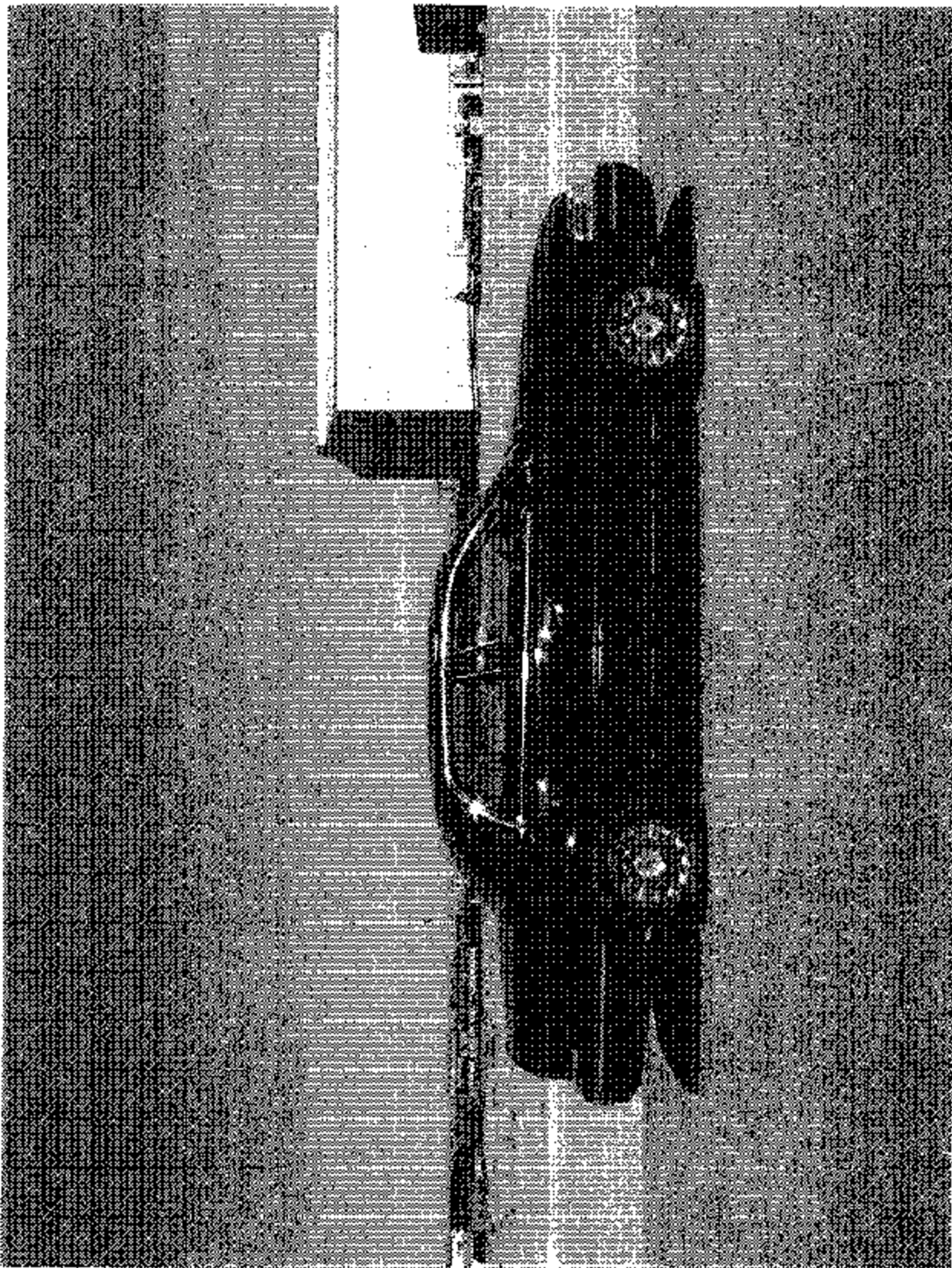


Figure A-3: Right Side View of Vehicle

2003 FORD CROWN VICTORIA  
NHTSA NO. C30204  
FMVSS NO. 124





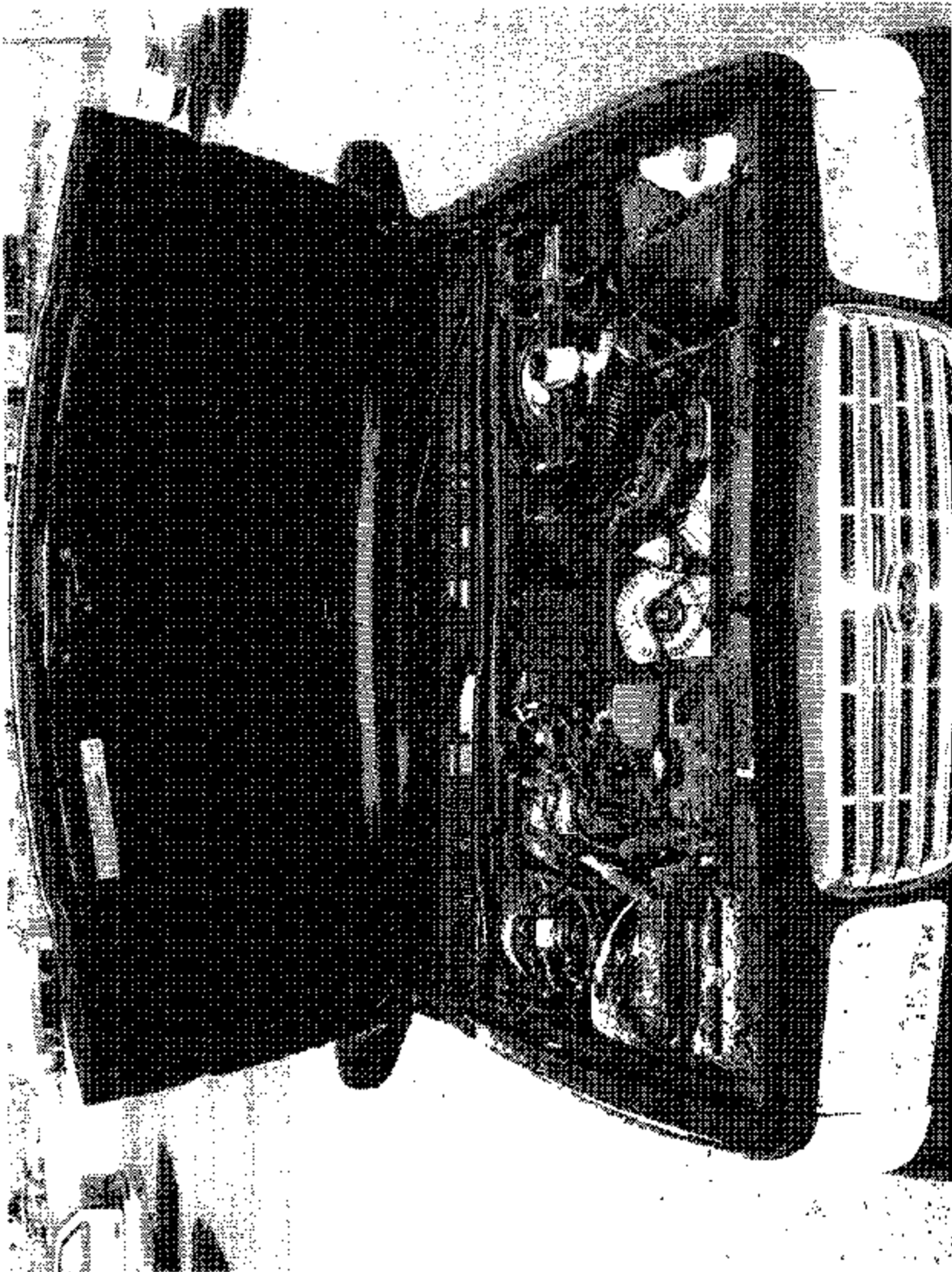


Figure A-6: Vehicle Engine Compartment

2003 FORD CROWN VICTORIA  
NHTSA NO. C30204  
FMVSS NO. 124



Figure A-7: Vehicle Accelerator Pedal Assembly

2003 FORD CROWN VICTORIA  
NHTSA NO. C30204  
FMVSS NO. 124



Figure A-8: Spring 1 Located on Vehicle Accelerator Control System

2003 FORD CROWN VICTORIA  
NHTSA NO. C30204  
FMVSS NO. 124



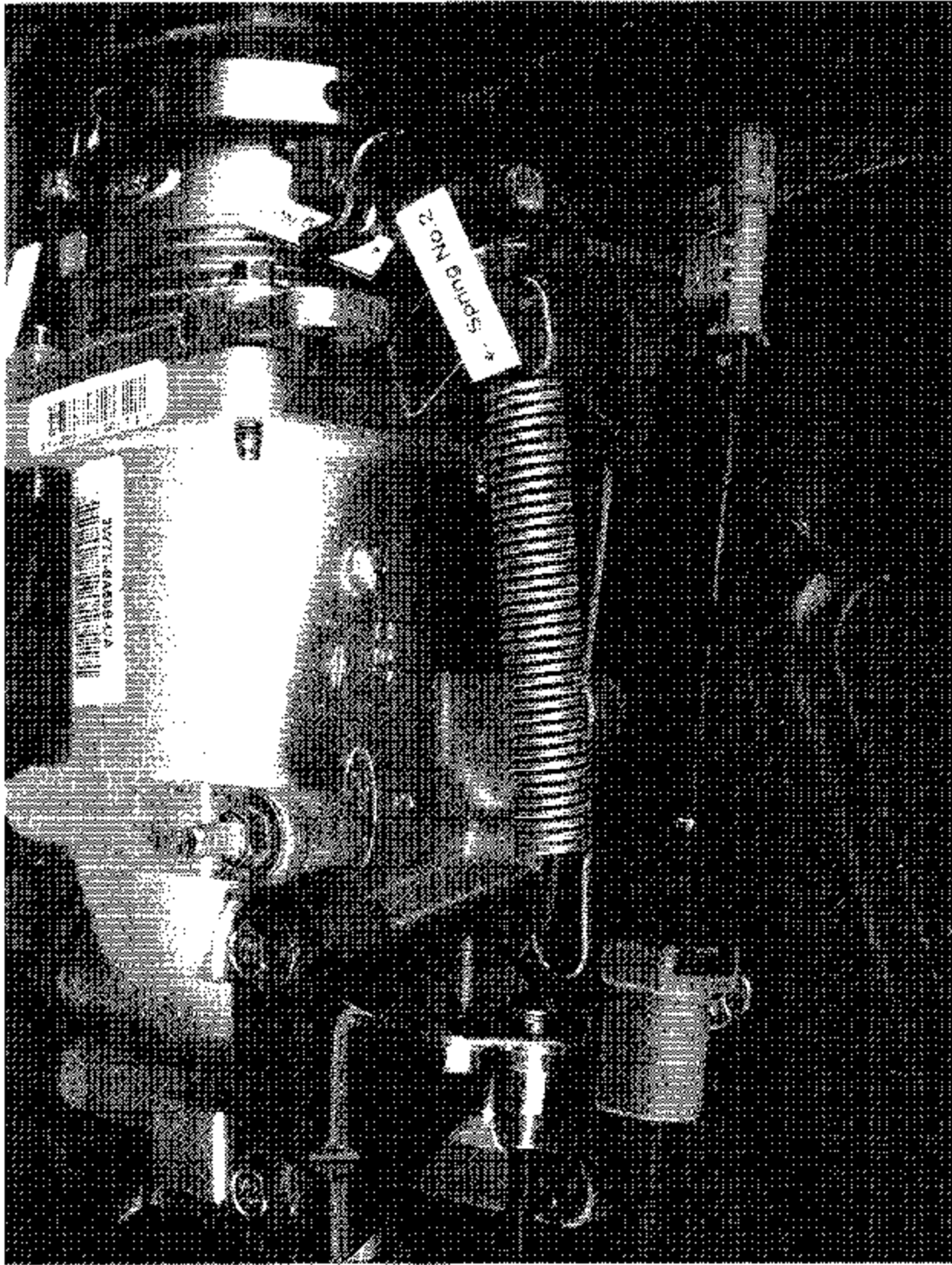


Figure A-8: Spring 2 Located on Vehicle Accelerator Control System

2003 FORD CROWN VICTORIA  
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FMVSS NO. 124.

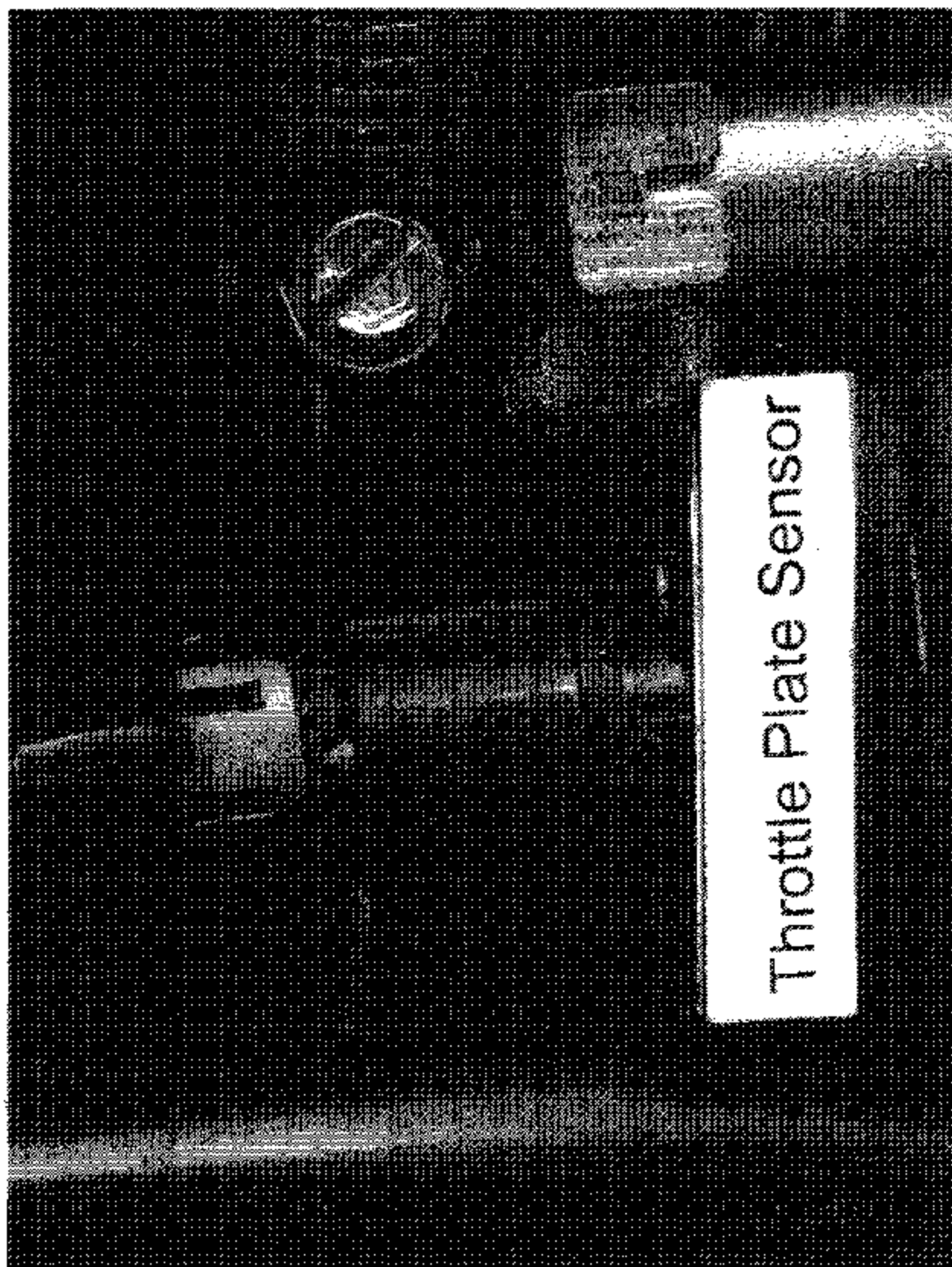


Figure A-10. Throttle Plate Sensor Located on Vehicle Accelerator Control System

2003 FORD CROWN VICTORIA  
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FMVSS NO. 124

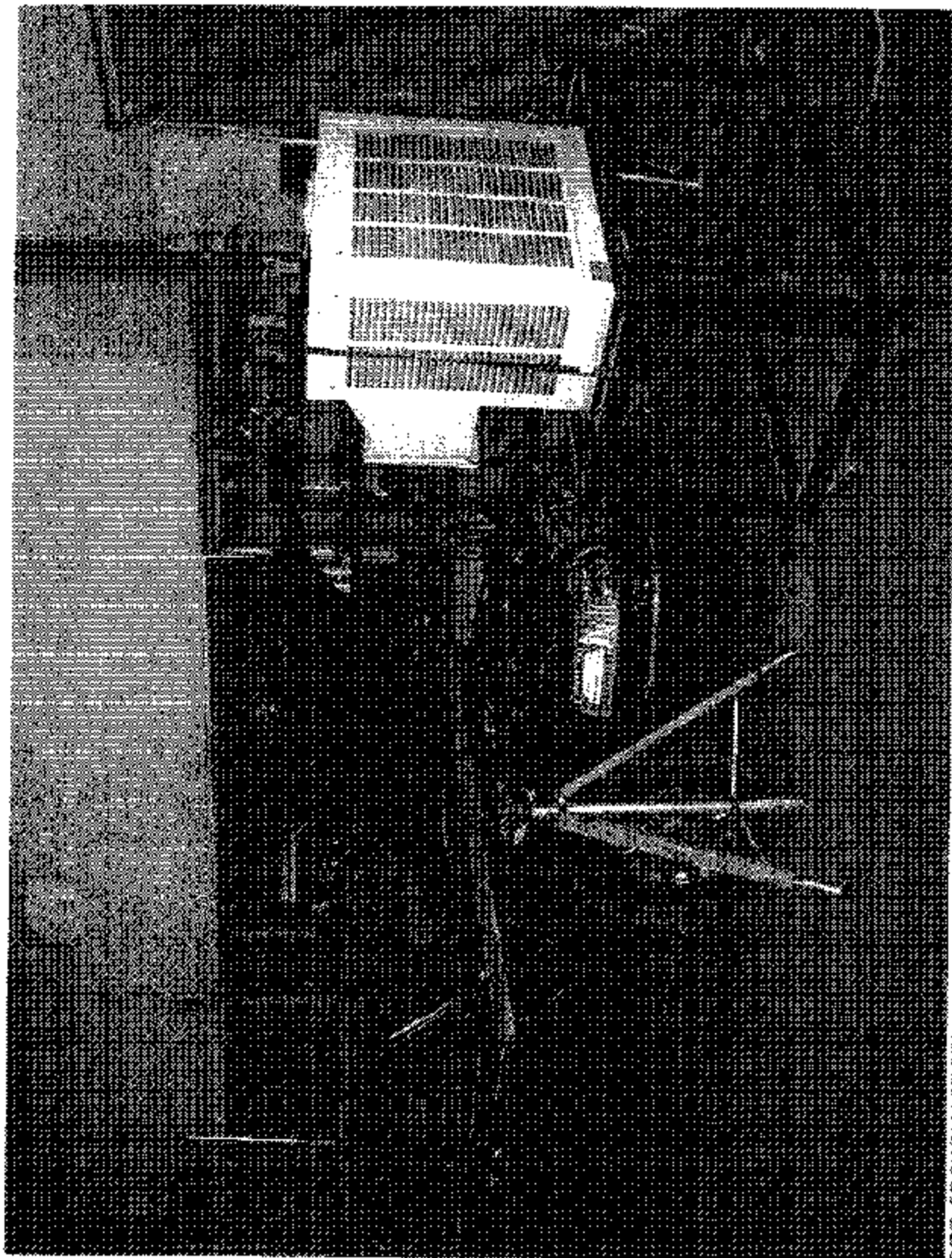


Figure A-11: Overall View of Vehicle Test Setup

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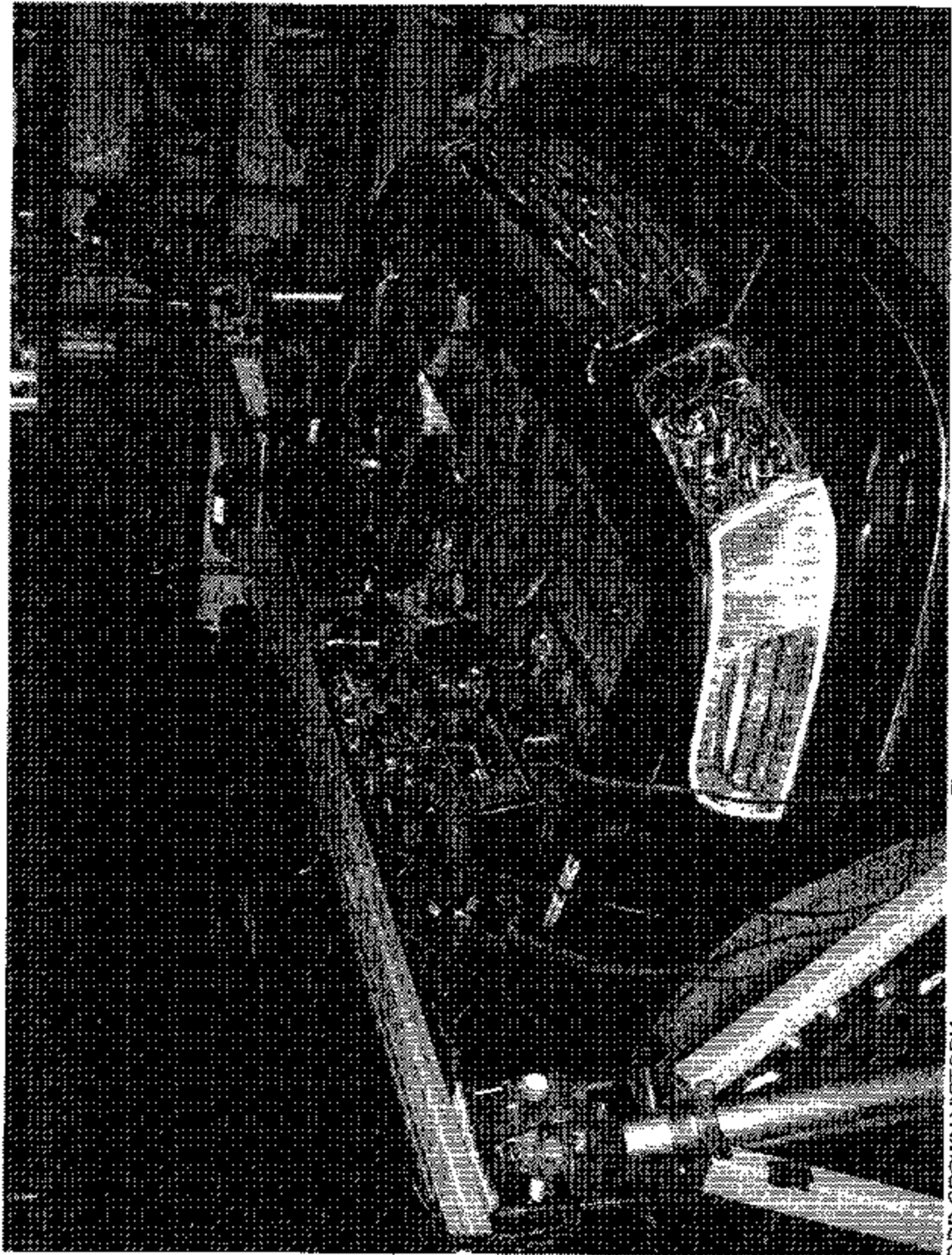


Figure A-12: Close-Up View of Vehicle Test Setup

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FMVSS NO. 124



Figure A-13: Instrumentation

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NHTSA NO. C30204  
FMVSS NO. 124

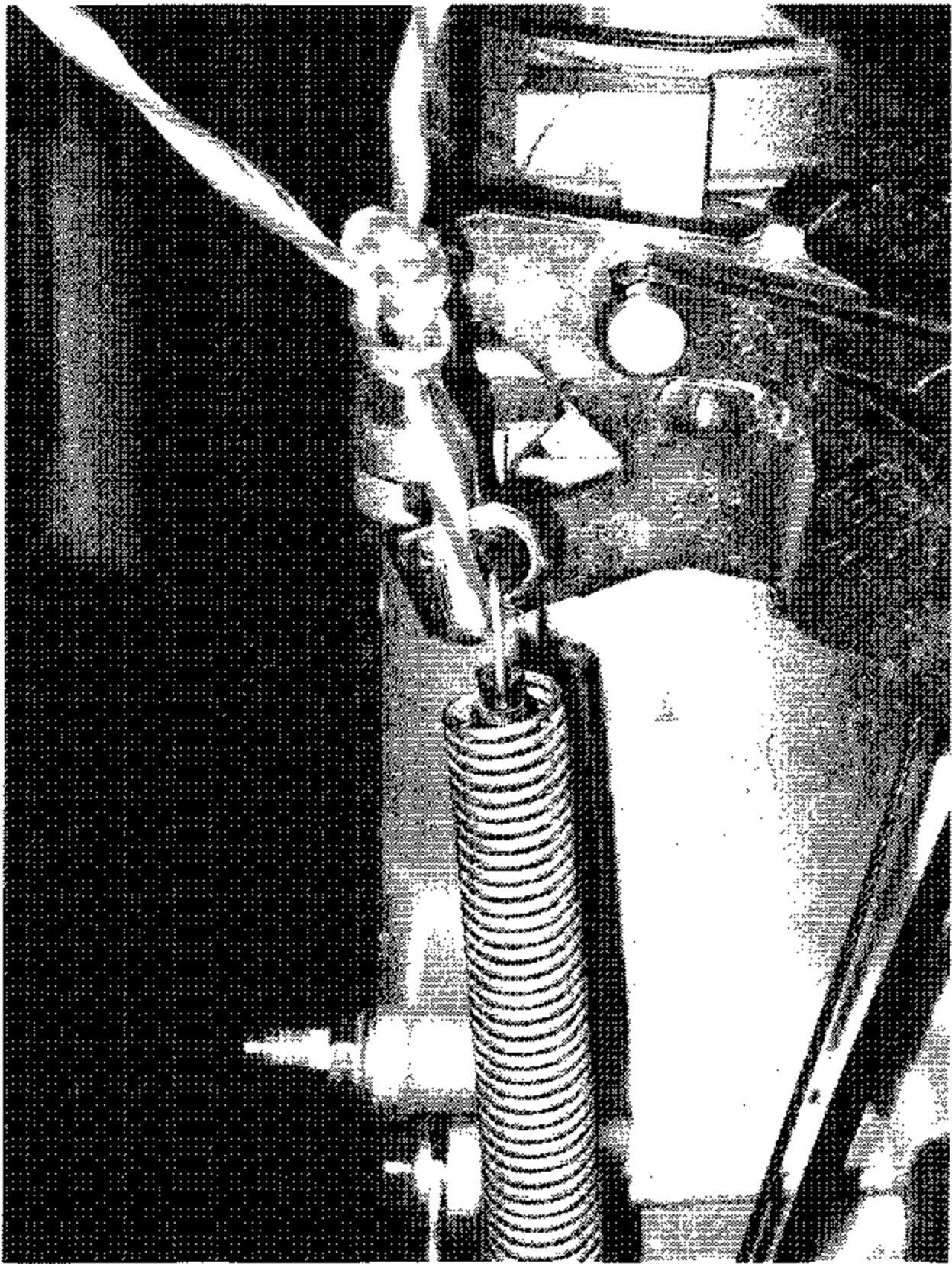
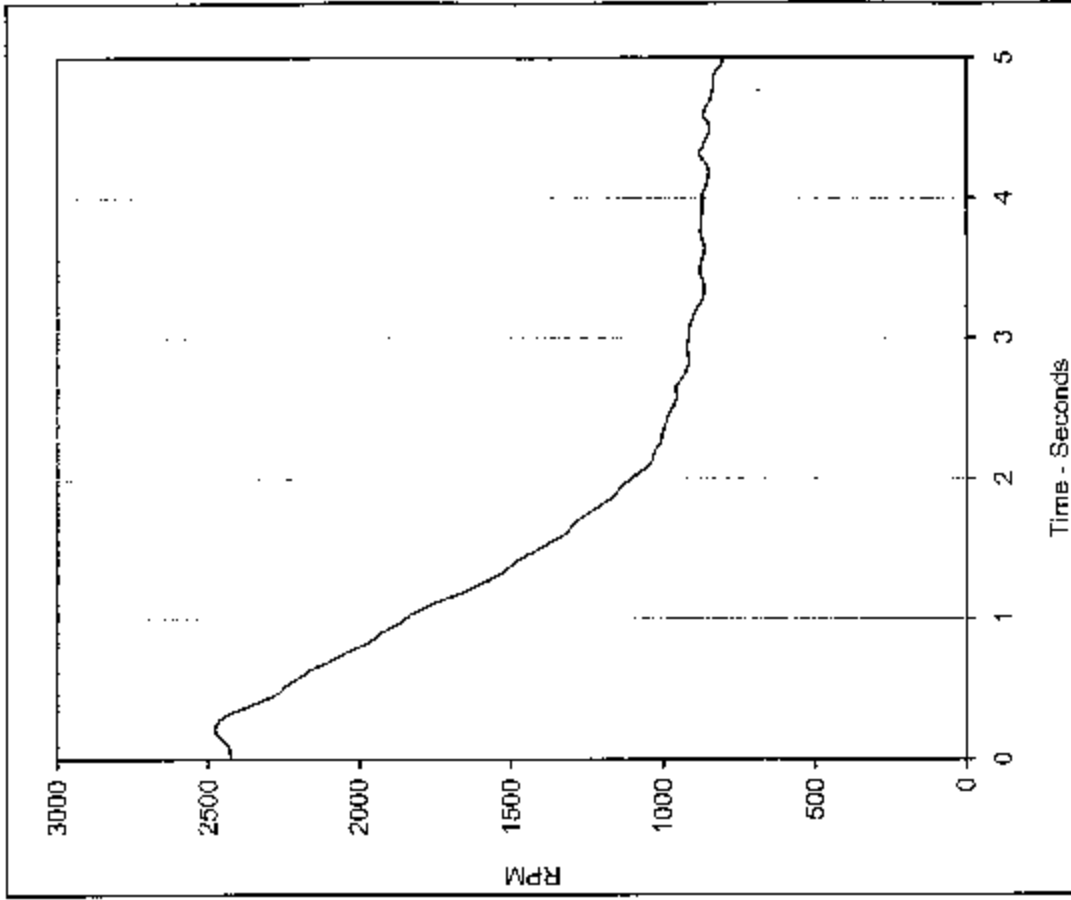
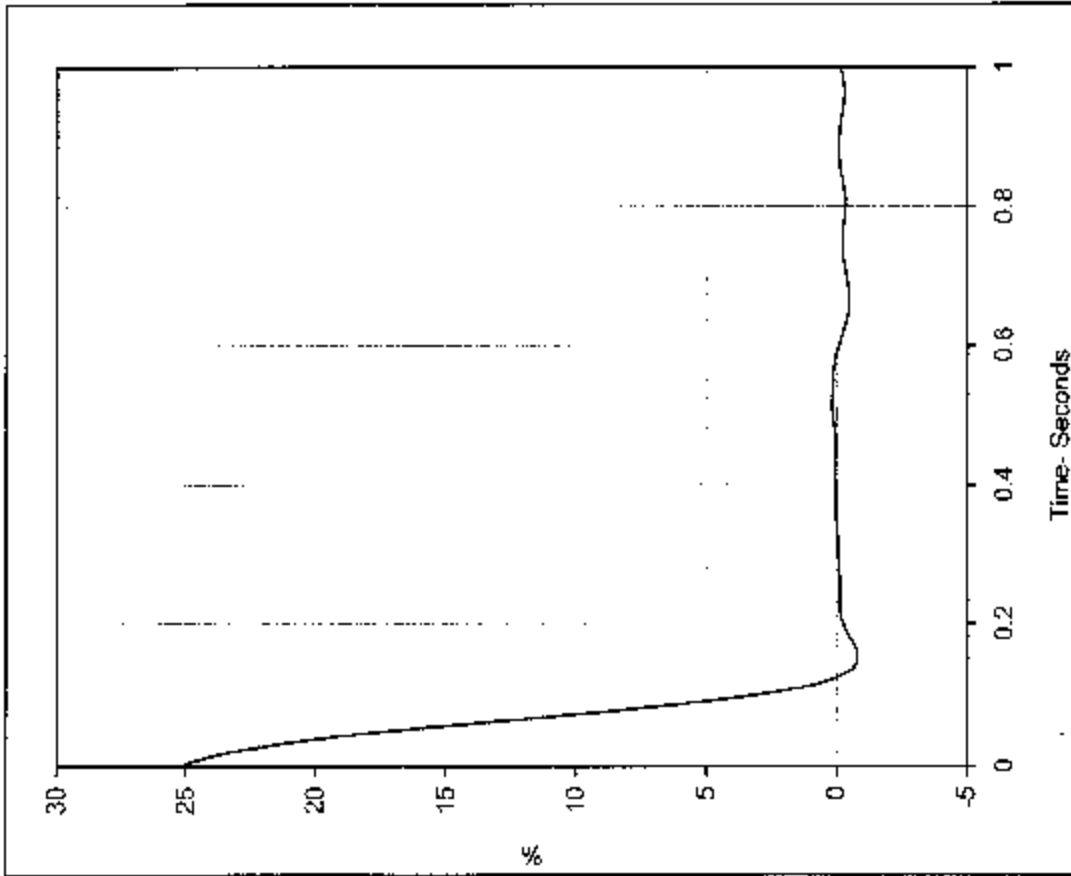


Figure A-14: Severance of Throttle Body Linkage

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NHTSA NO. C30204  
FMVSS NO. 124

APPENDIX B  
DATA PLOTS



Test Program: FMVSS 124 (Normal Operation)

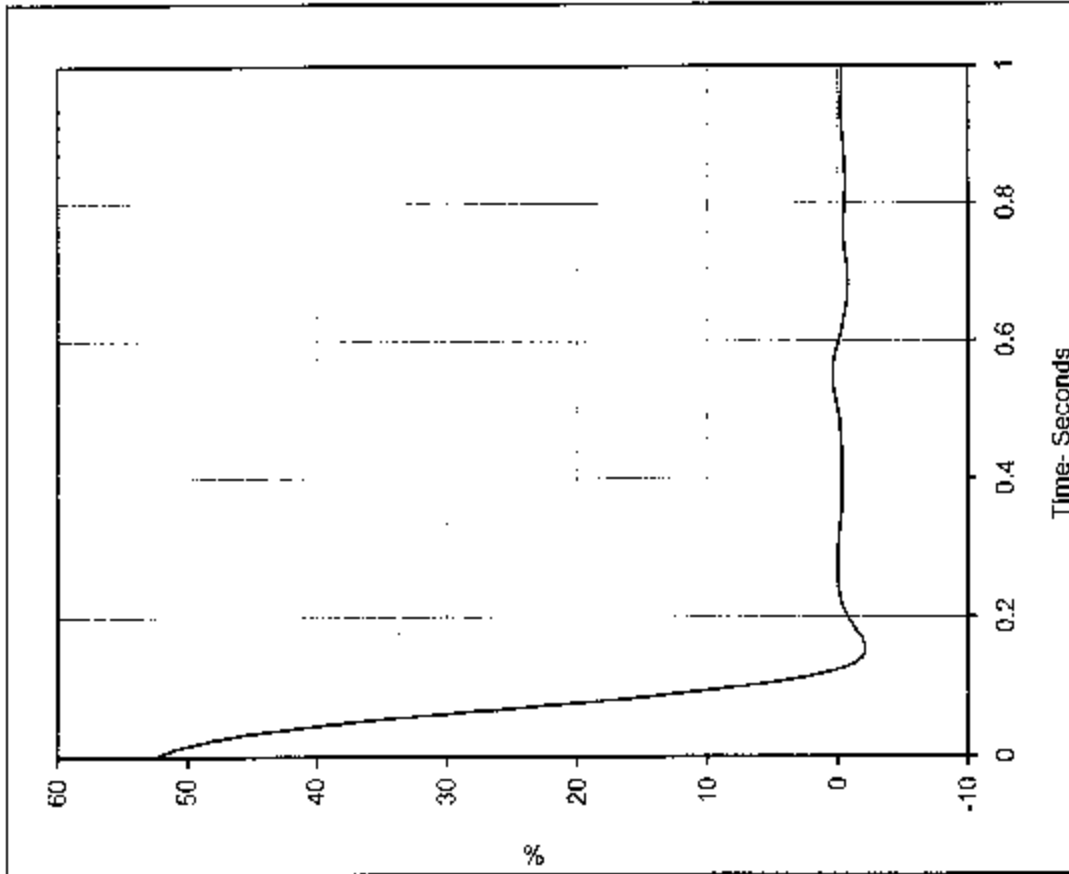
Test Vehicle: 2003 Ford Crown Victoria 4 Door Sedan

Test Date: 7/22/03

NHTSA No.: C30204

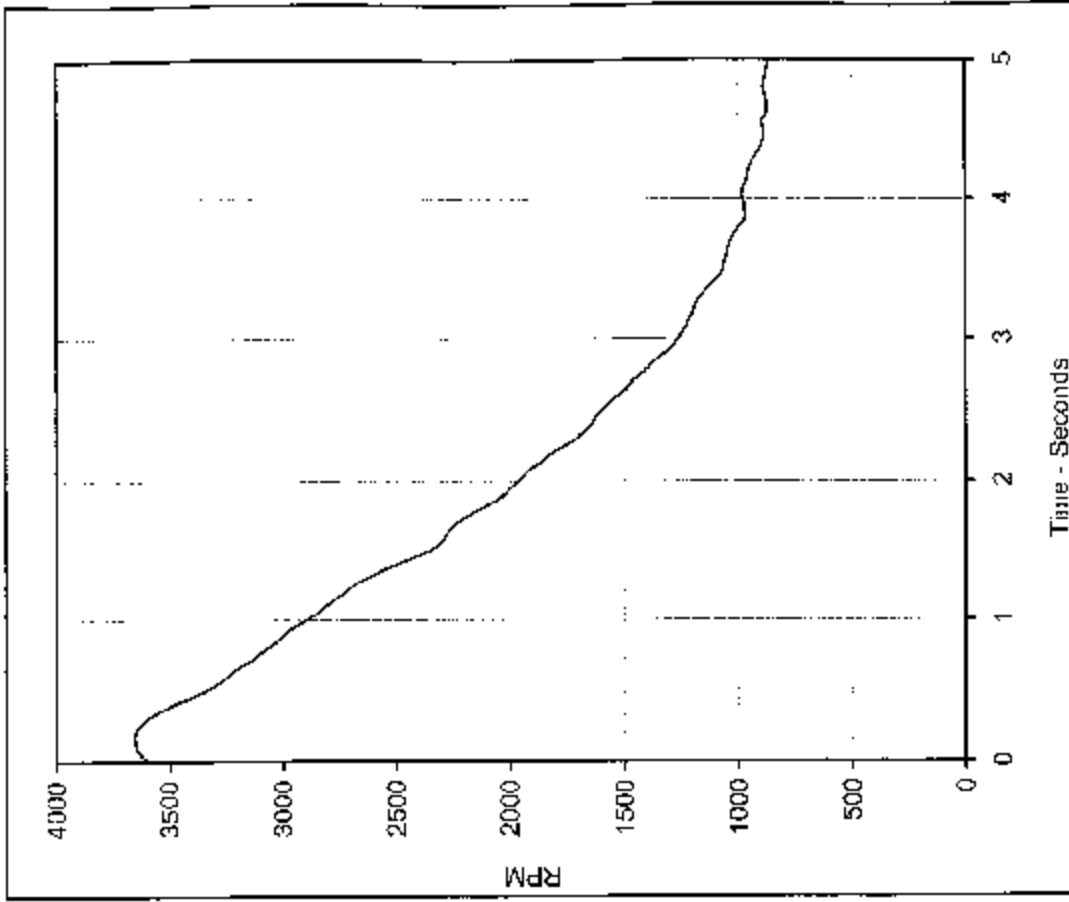






| Curve Description          |  | CURNO | Type |
|----------------------------|--|-------|------|
| Throttle Position vs. Time |  | 001   | FIL  |

| Units | Max  | Time | Return Time (msec) | Filter (Hz) |
|-------|------|------|--------------------|-------------|
| %     | 52.5 | 0.0  | 120.0              | 5           |



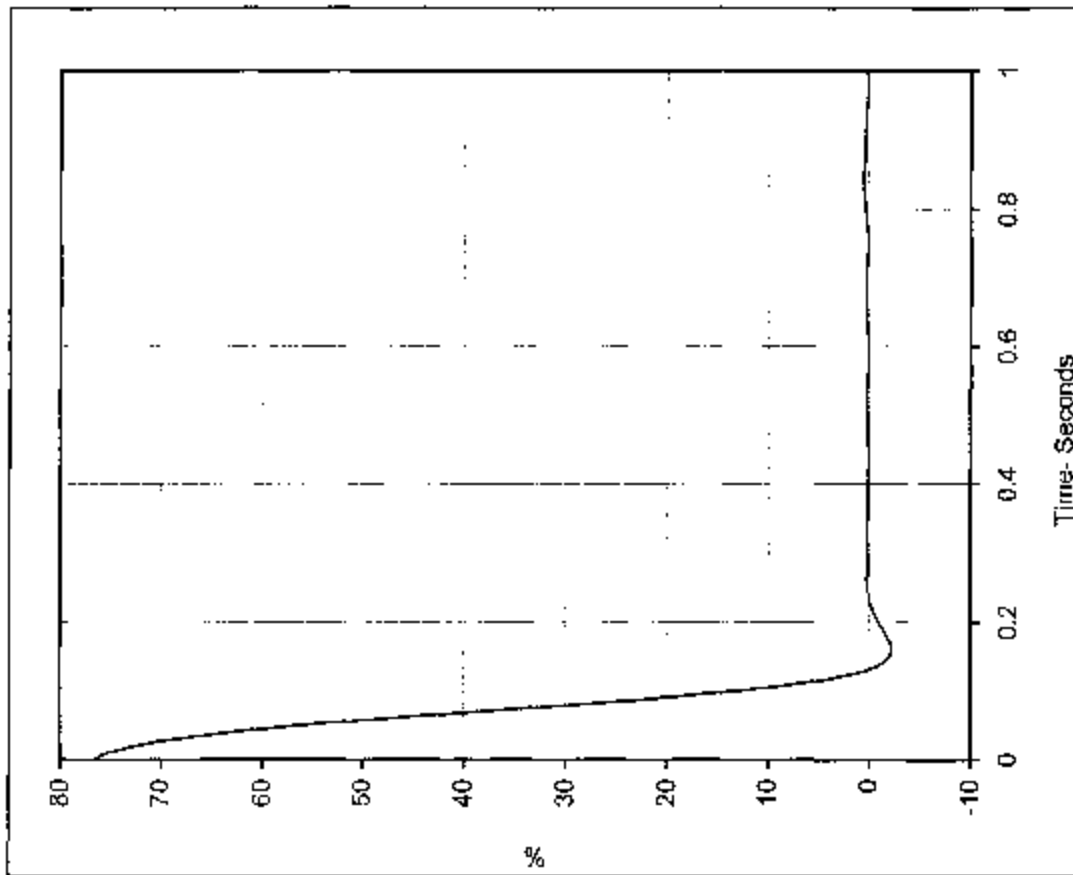
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|---------------------|--|-------|------|
| Engine RPM vs. Time |  | 002   | FIL  |

| Units | Max    | Time | Min   | Time | Filter (Hz) |
|-------|--------|------|-------|------|-------------|
| RPM   | 3655.6 | 0.2  | 864.6 | 5.0  | 5           |



Test Date: 7/22/03  
 NHTSA No.: C30204

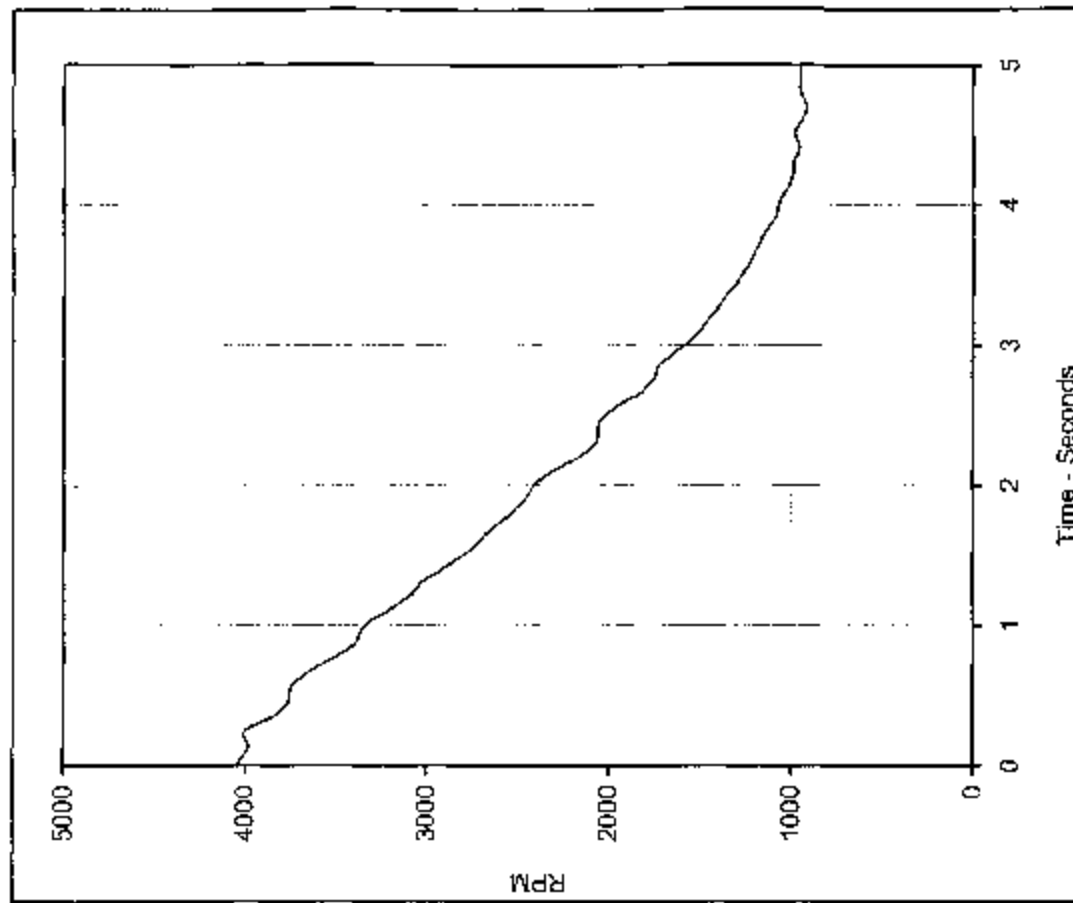
Test Program: FMVSS 124 (Normal Operation)  
 Test Vehicle: 2003 Ford Crown Victoria 4 Door Sedan



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| Units | Max  | Time | Return Time (msec) | Filter (Hz) |
|-------|------|------|--------------------|-------------|
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Test Program: FMVSS 124 (Normal Operation)  
 Test Vehicle: 2003 Ford Crown Victoria 4 Door Sedan

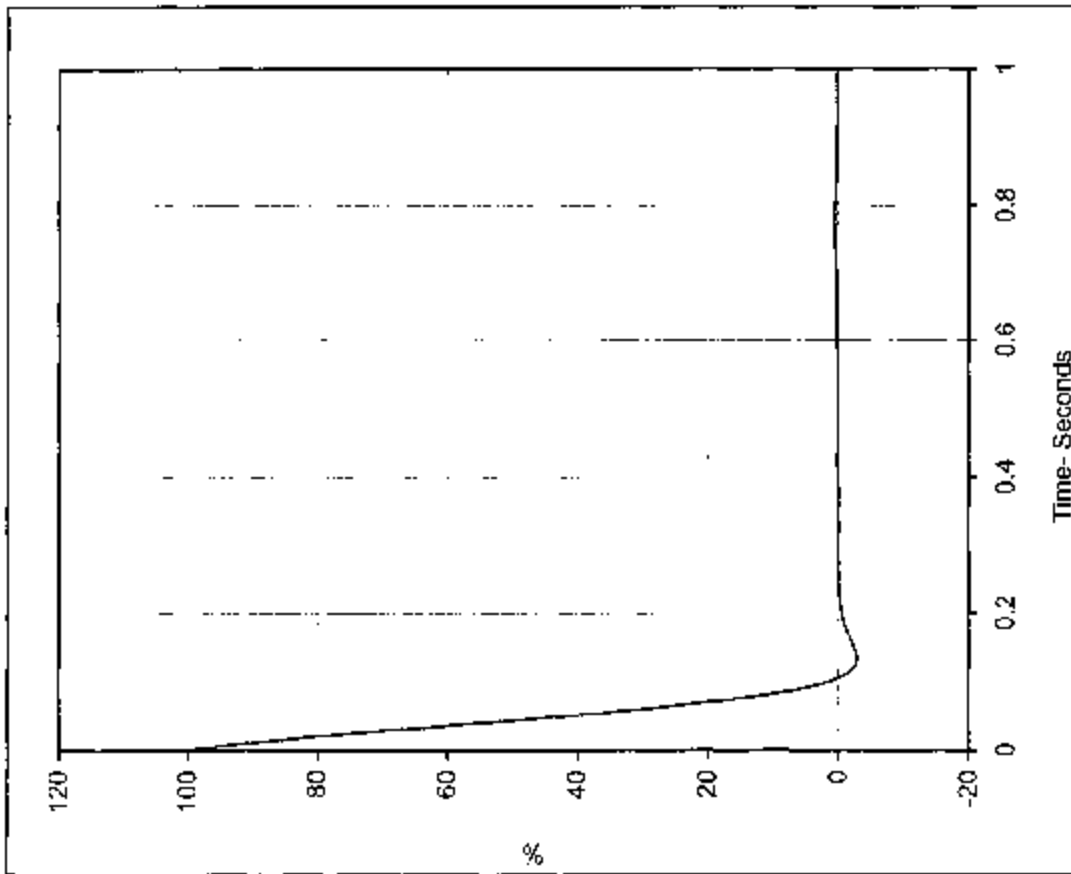


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|---------------------|--|-------|------|
| Engine RPM vs. Time |  | 002   | FIL  |

| Units | Max    | Time | Min   | Time | Filter (Hz) |
|-------|--------|------|-------|------|-------------|
| RPM   | 4042.5 | 0.0  | 913.8 | 4.7  | 5           |

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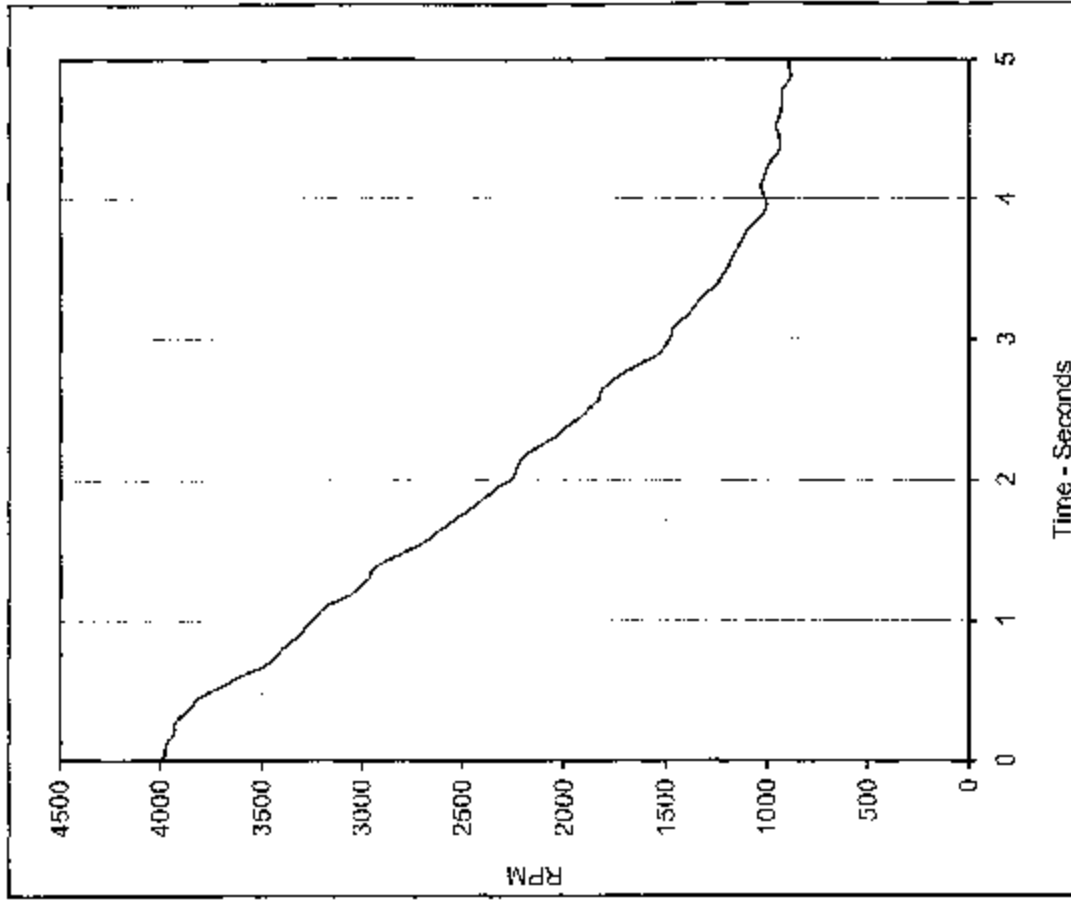




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| Units | Max   | Time | Return Time (msec) | Filter (Hz) |
|-------|-------|------|--------------------|-------------|
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Test Program: FMVSS 124 (Normal Operation)  
 Test Vehicle: 2003 Ford Crown Victoria 4 Door Sedan

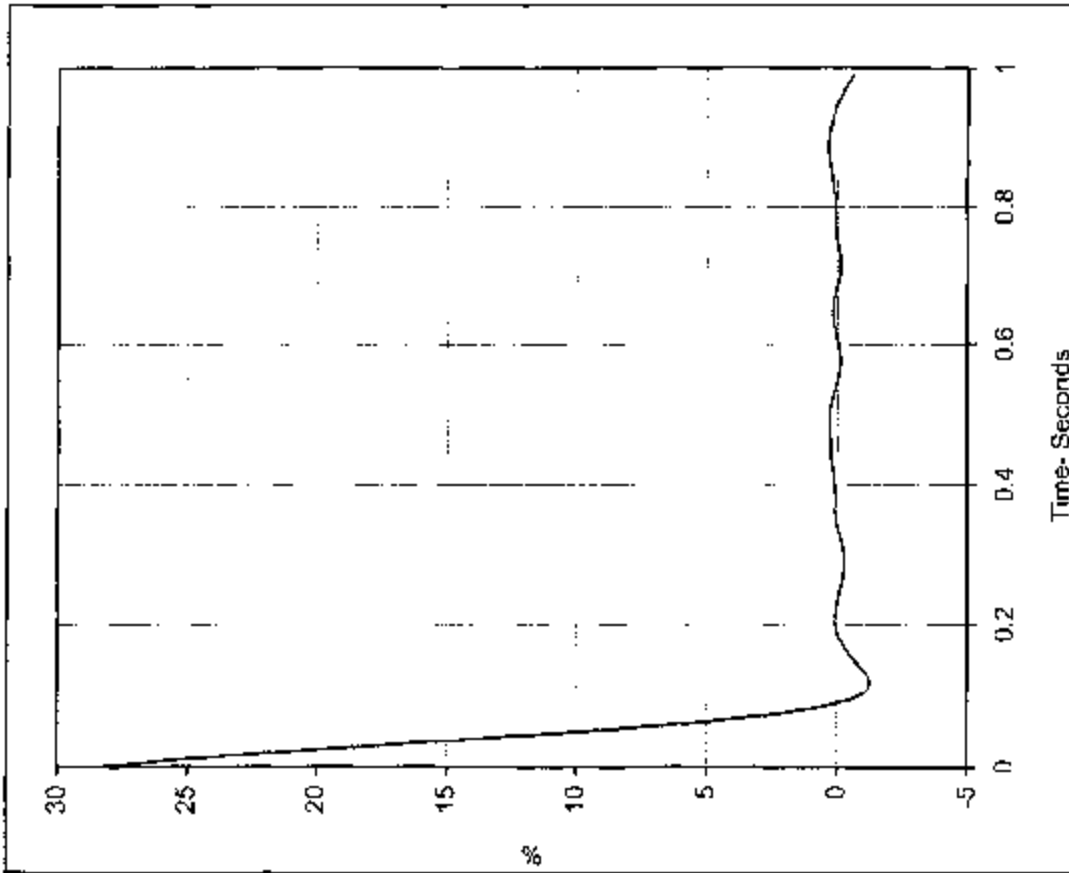


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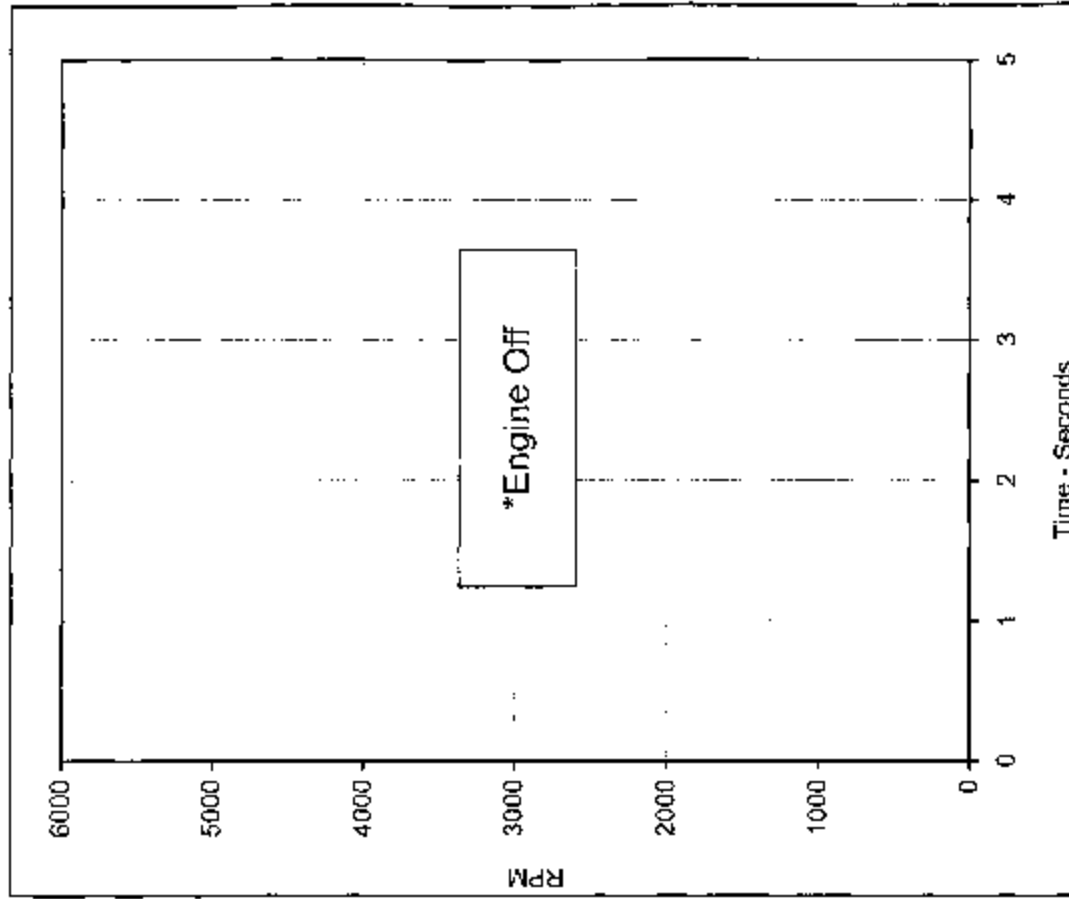




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|-------|------|------|--------------------|-------------|
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Test Program: FMVSS 124 (Normal Operation)  
 Test Vehicle: 2003 Ford Crown Victoria 4 Door Sedan



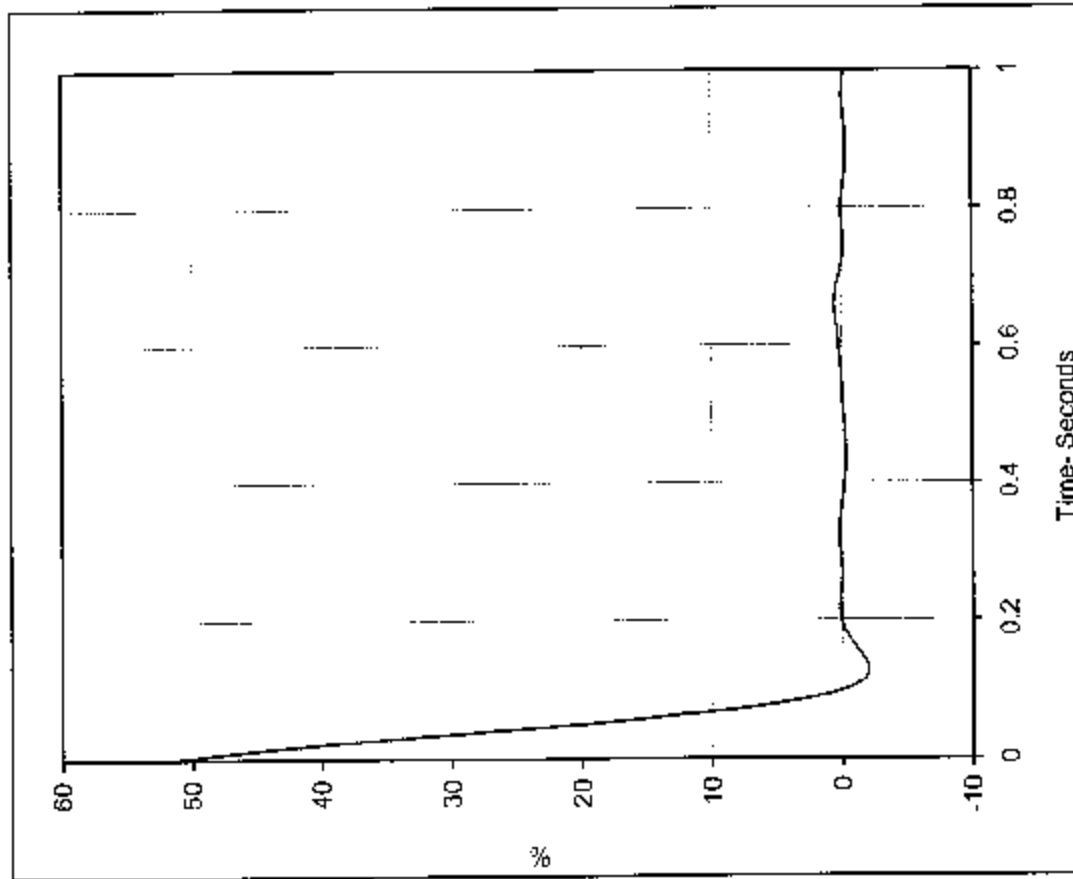
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| Units | Max | Time | Min | Time | Filter (Hz) |
|-------|-----|------|-----|------|-------------|
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\*Engine Off

Test Date: 7/22/03  
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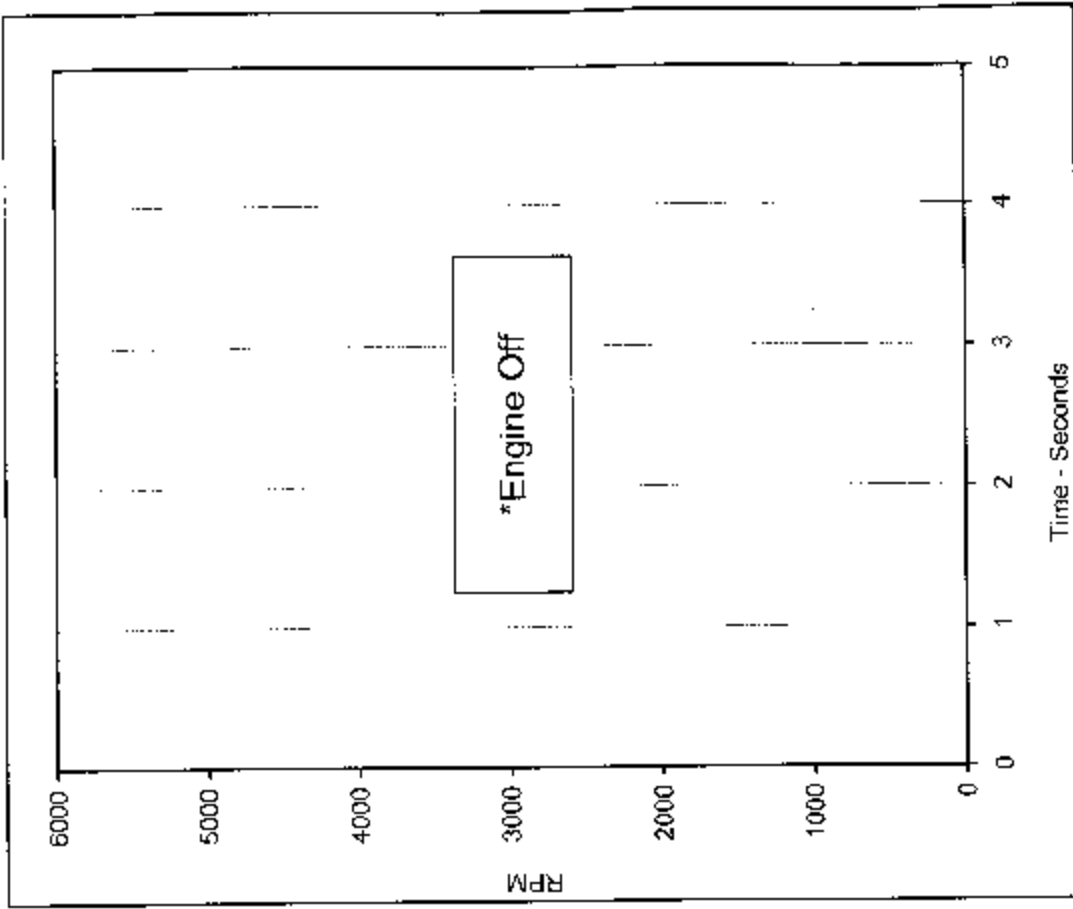




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| Units | Max  | Time | Return Time (msec) | Filter (Hz) |
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Test Program: FMVSS 124 (Normal Operation)  
 Test Vehicle: 2003 Ford Crown Victoria 4 Door Sedan



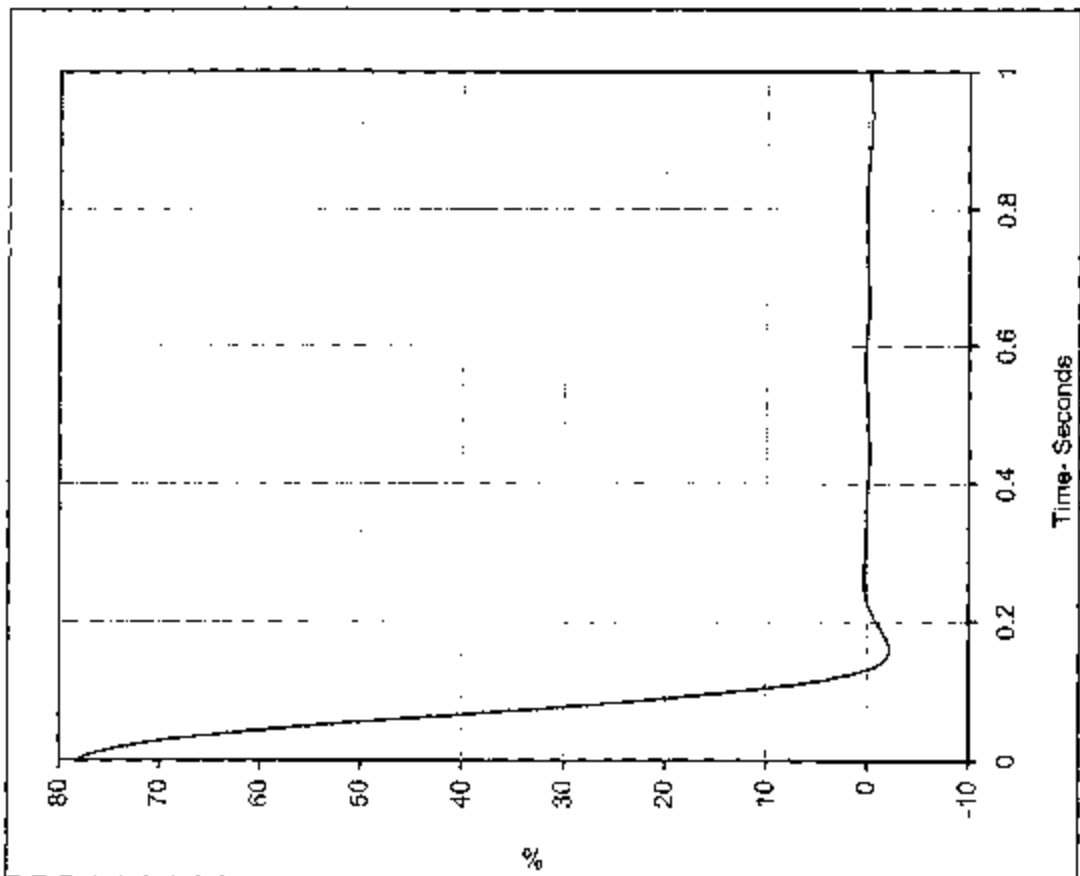
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| Units | Max | Time | Min | Time | Filter (Hz) |
|-------|-----|------|-----|------|-------------|
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\*Engine Off

Test Date: 7/22/03  
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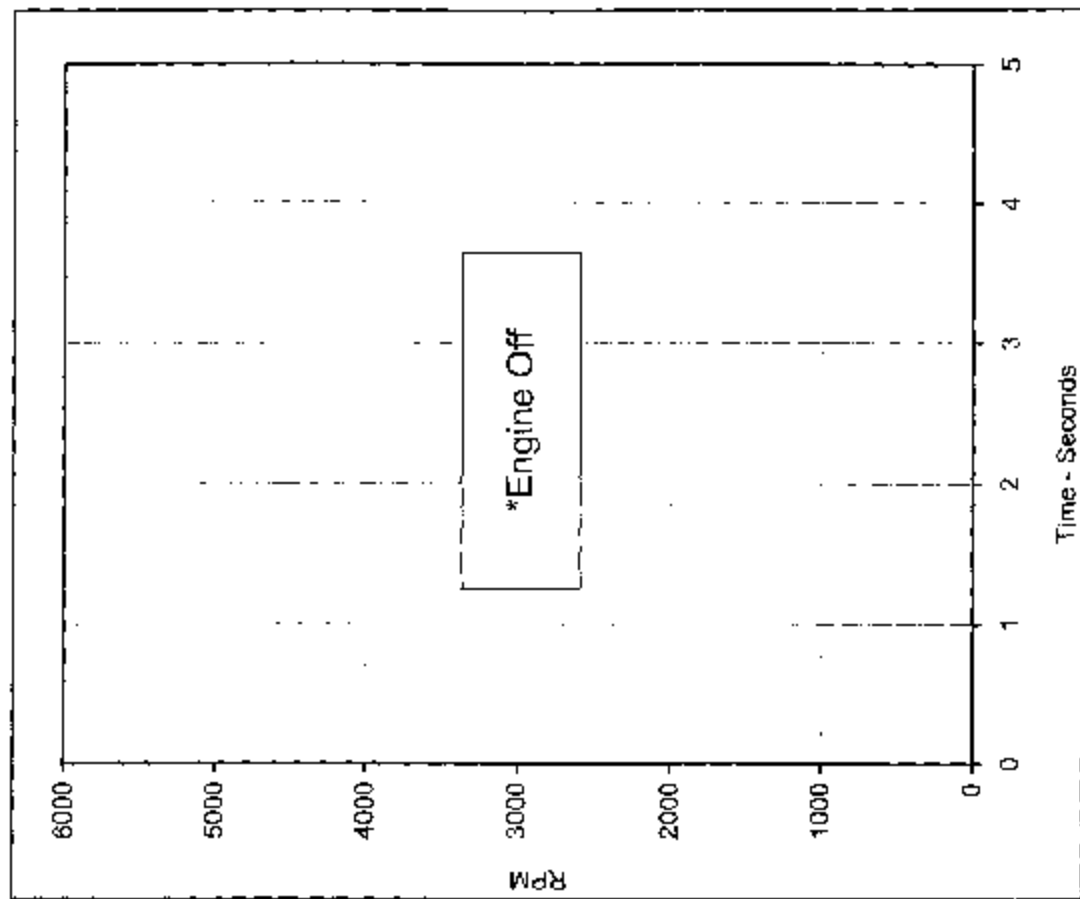




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| Units | Max  | Time | Return Time (msec) | Filter (Hz) |
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Test Program: FMVSS 124 (Normal Operation)  
 Test Vehicle: 2003 Ford Crown Victoria 4 Door Sedan



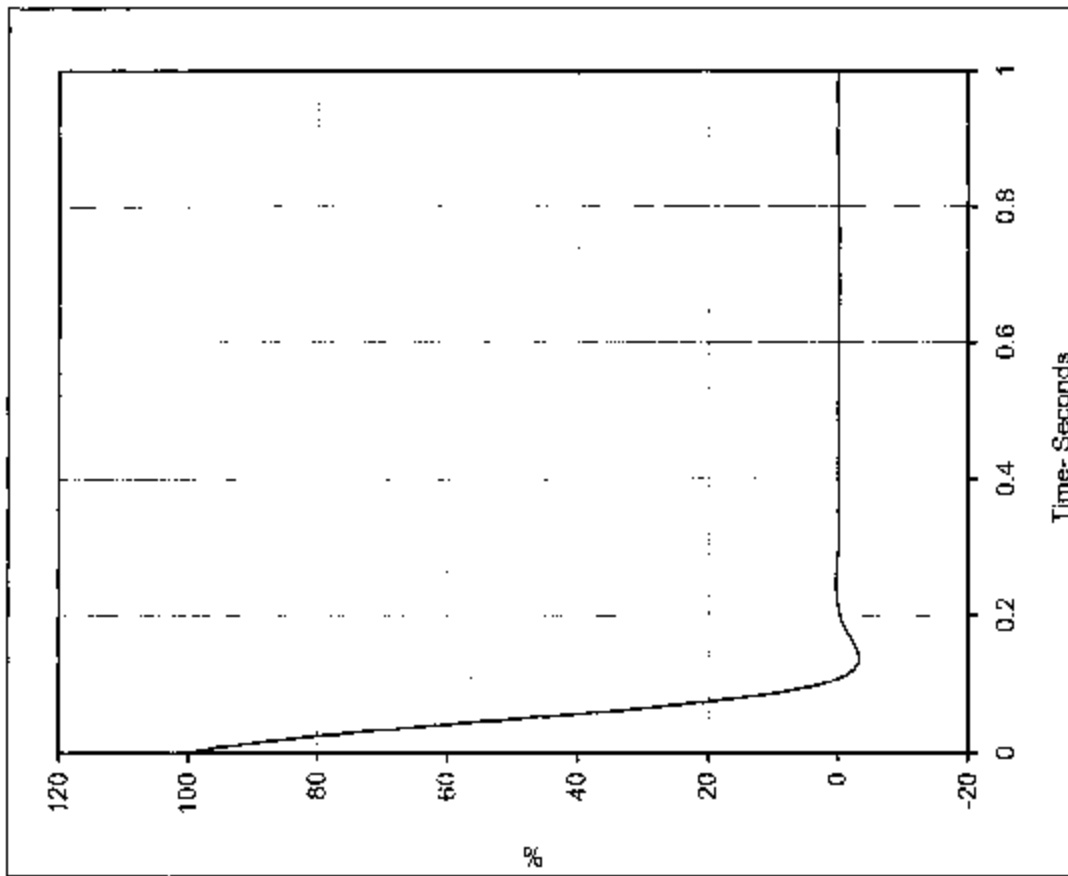
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\*Engine Off

Test Date: 7/22/03  
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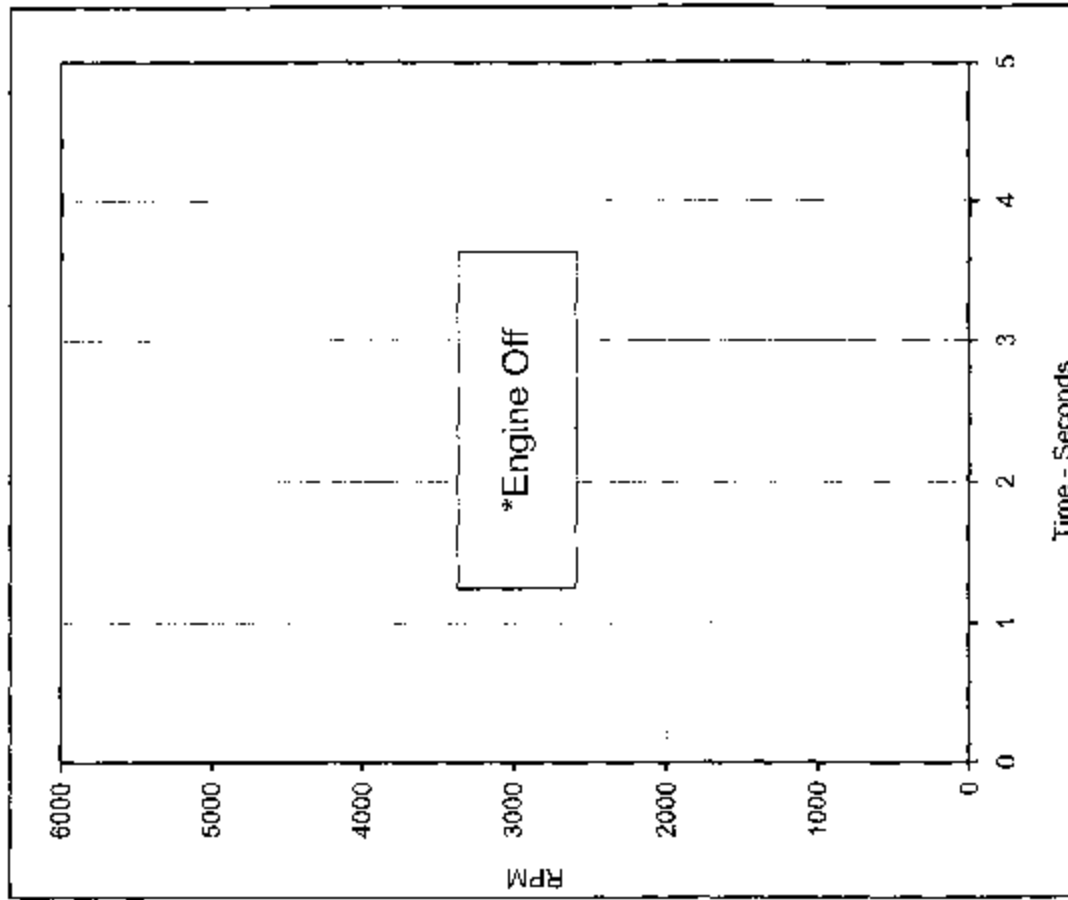




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|-------|-------|------|--------------------|-------------|
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Test Program: FMVSS 124 (Normal Operation)  
 Test Vehicle: 2003 Ford Crown Victoria 4 Door Sedan

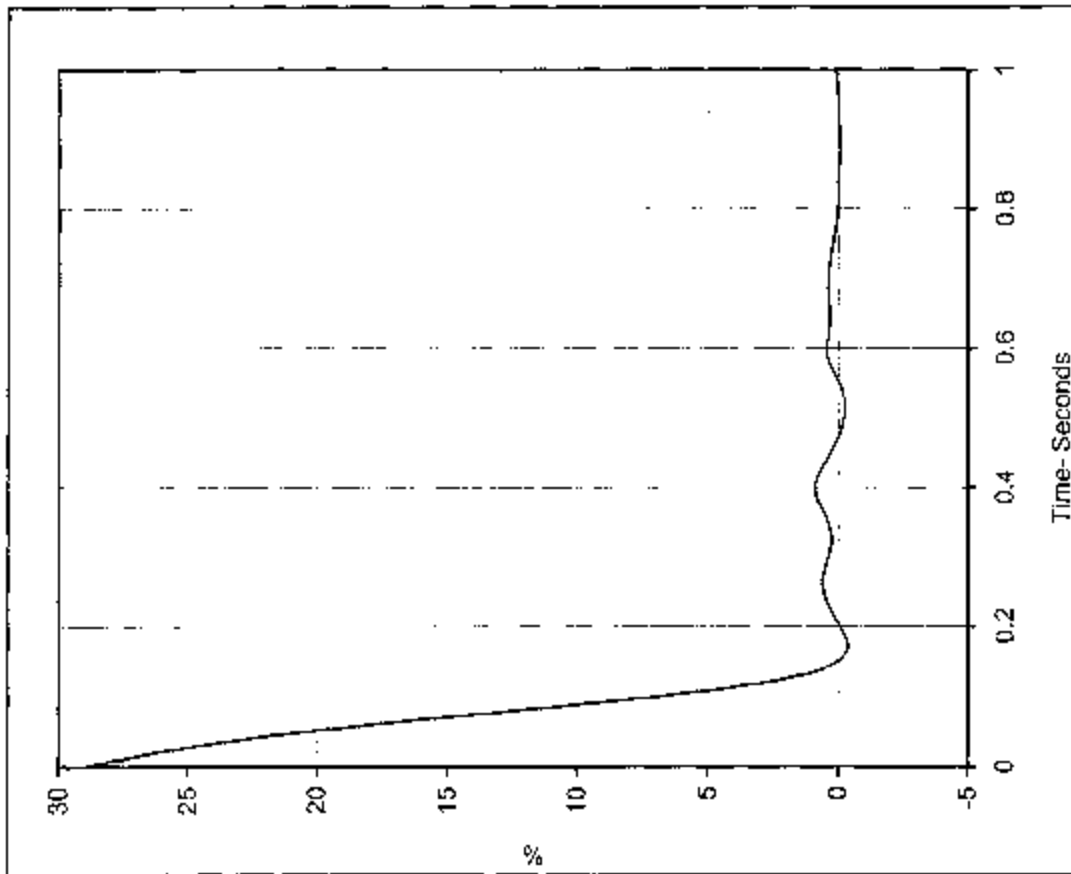


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| Engine RPM vs. Time | 002   | FIL  |

| Units | Max | Time | Min | Time | Filter (Hz) |
|-------|-----|------|-----|------|-------------|
| RPM   | 0.0 | 0.0  | 0.0 | 0.0  | 5           |

\*Engine Off  
 Test Date: 7/22/03  
 NHTSA No.: C30204



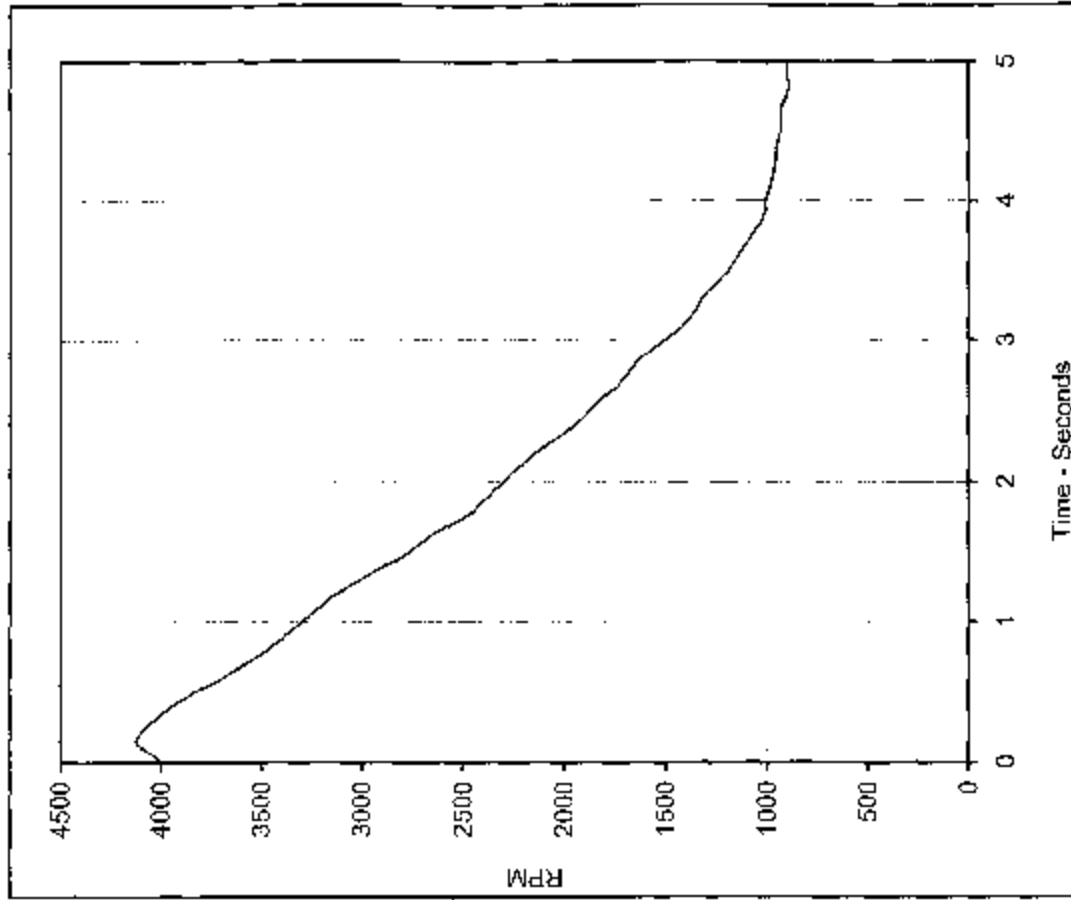


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| Throttle Position vs. Time |  | 001   | FIL  |

| Units | Max  | Time | Return Time (msec) | Filter (Hz) |
|-------|------|------|--------------------|-------------|
| %     | 29.0 | 0.0  | 150.0              | 5           |

Test Program: FMVSS 124 (#1 Spring Disconnected)

Test Vehicle: 2003 Ford Crown Victoria 4 Door Sedan



| Curve Description   |  | CURNO | Type |
|---------------------|--|-------|------|
| Engine RPM vs. Time |  | 002   | FIL  |

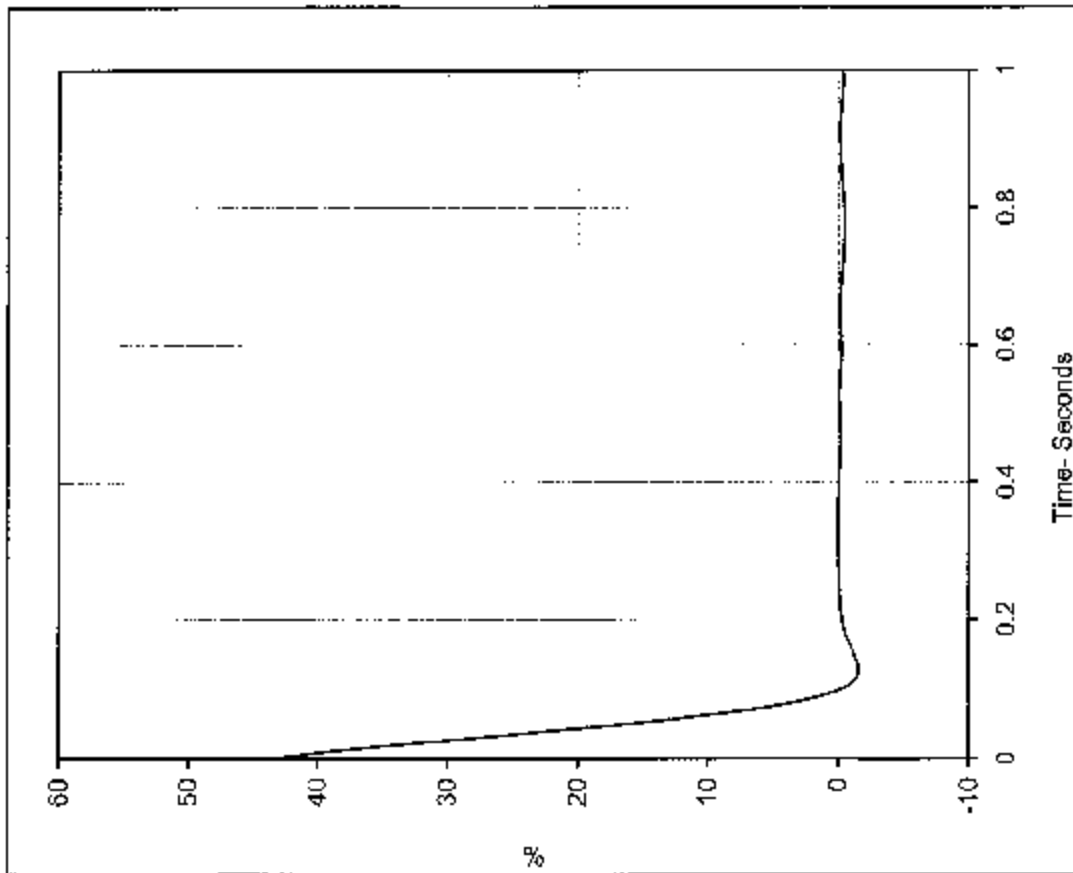
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Test Date: 7/22/03

NHTSA No.: C30204

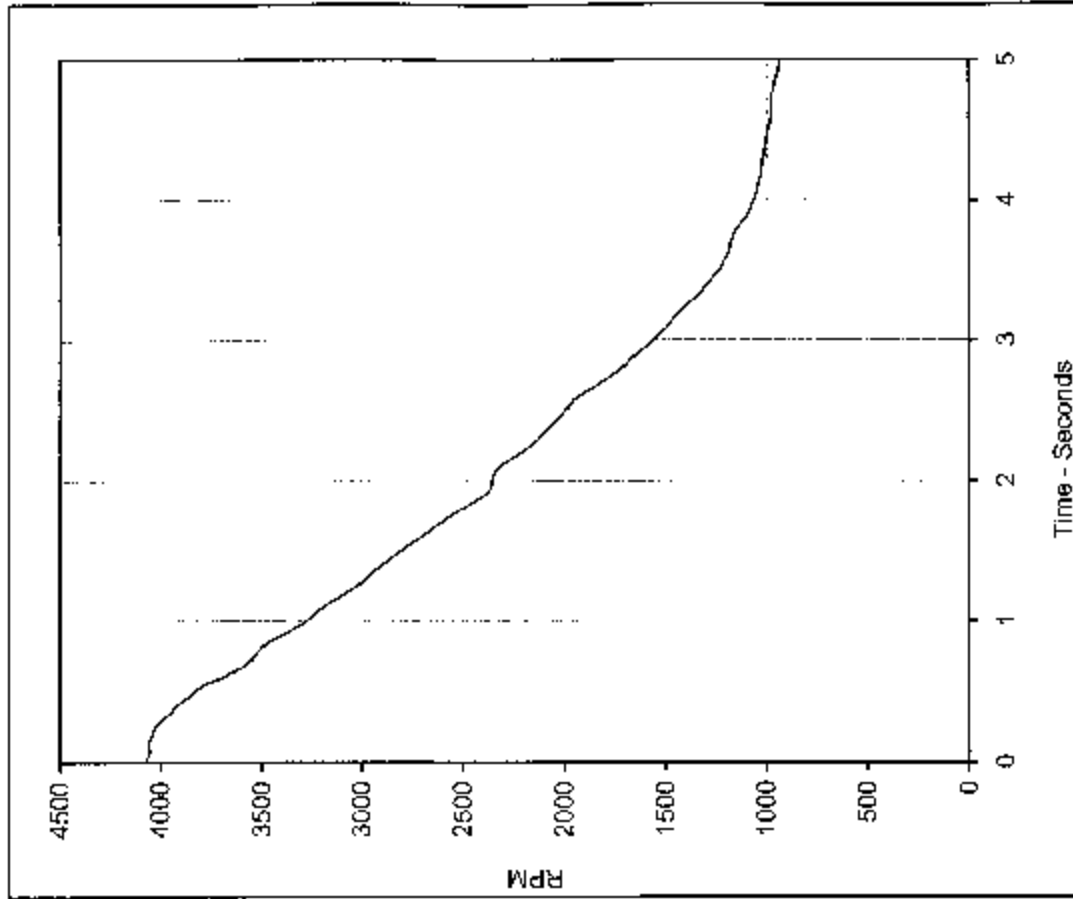






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| Throttle Position vs. Time |  | 001   | FIL  |

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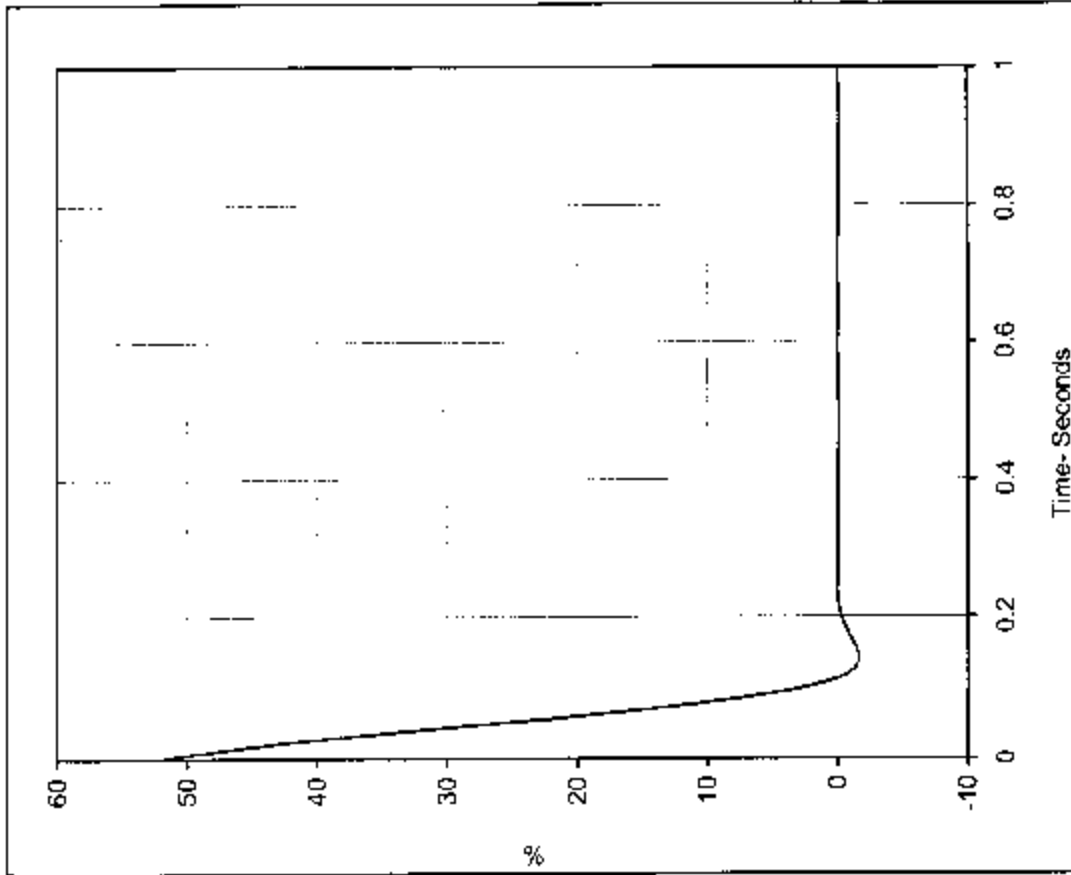
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|-------|--------|------|-------|------|-------------|
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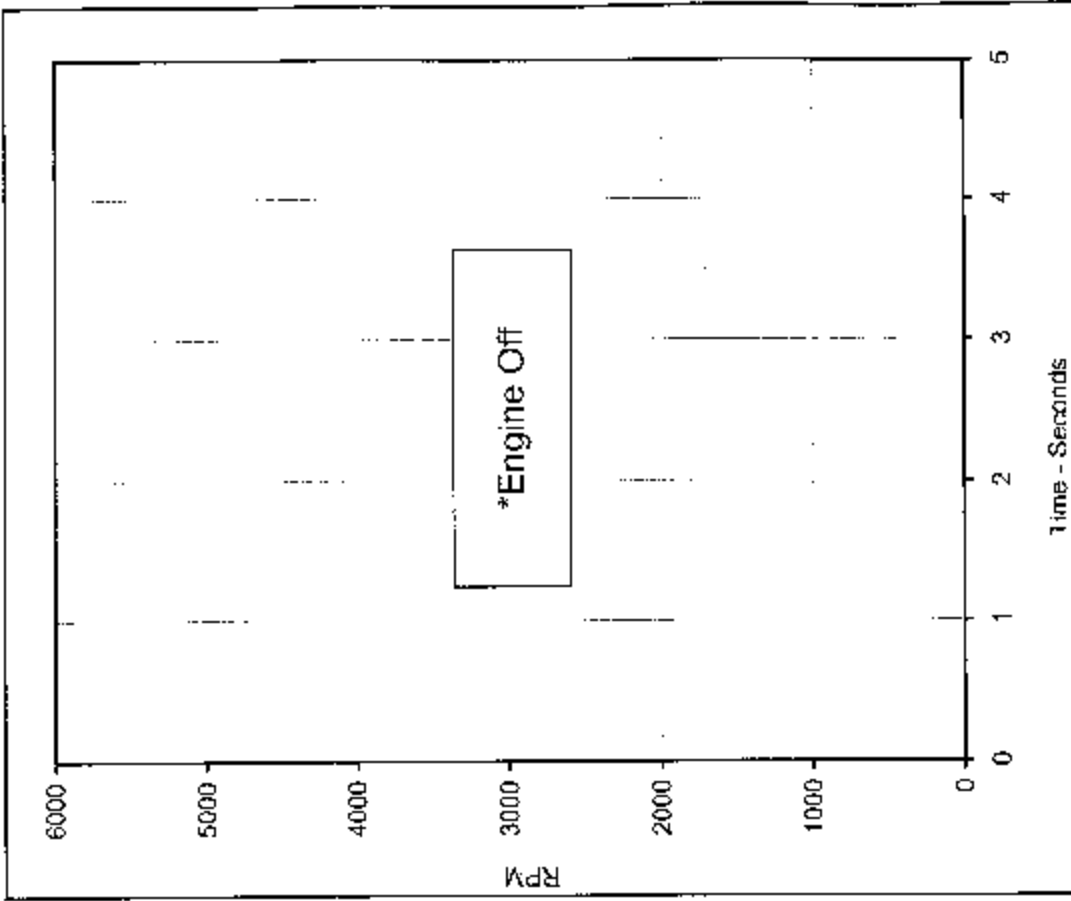
Test Program: FMVSS 124 (#1 Spring Disconnected)  
 Test Vehicle: 2003 Ford Crown Victoria 4 Door Sedan



| Curve Description          | CURNO | Type |
|----------------------------|-------|------|
| Throttle Position vs. Time | 001   | FIL  |

| Units | Max  | Time | Return Time (msec) | Filter (Hz) |
|-------|------|------|--------------------|-------------|
| %     | 52.0 | 0.0  | 120.0              | 5           |

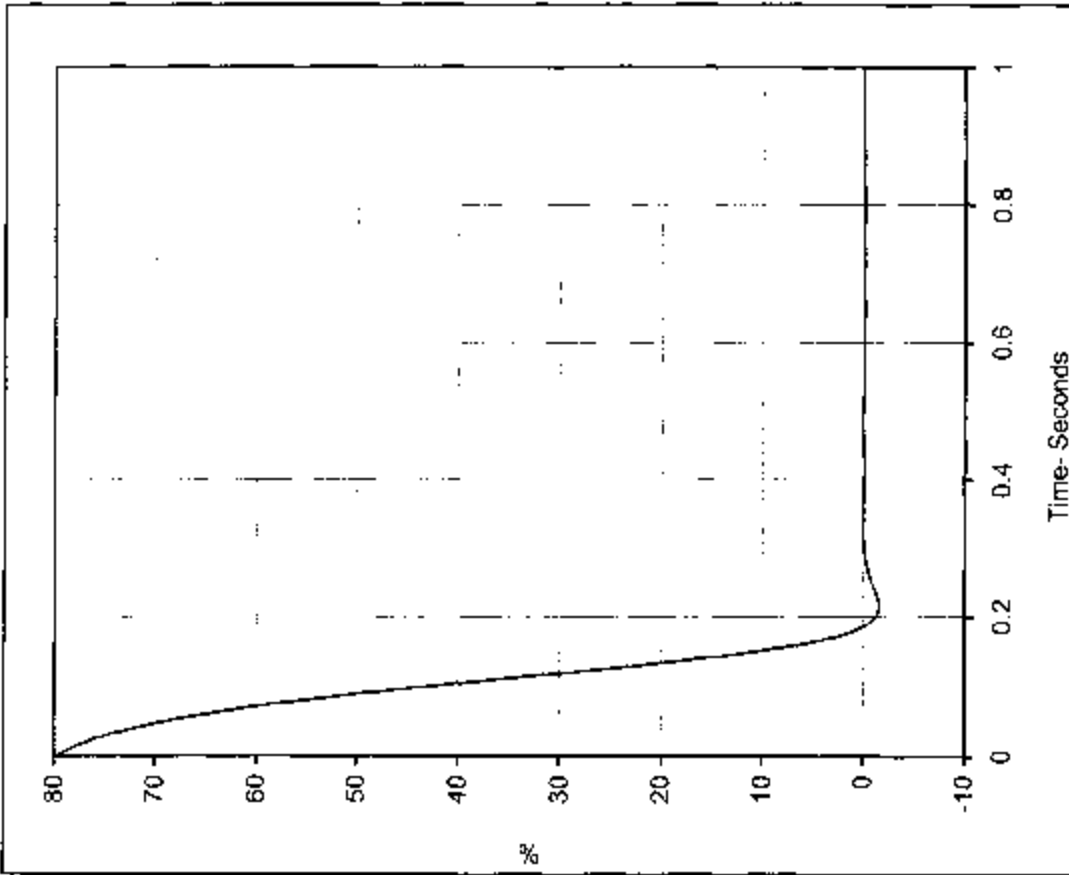
Test Program: FMVSS 124 (#2 Spring Disconnected)  
 Test Vehicle: 2003 Ford Crown Victoria 4 Door Sedan



| Units | Max | Time | Min | Time | Filter (Hz) |
|-------|-----|------|-----|------|-------------|
| RPM   | 0.0 | 0.0  | 0.0 | 0.0  | 5           |

\*Engine Off  
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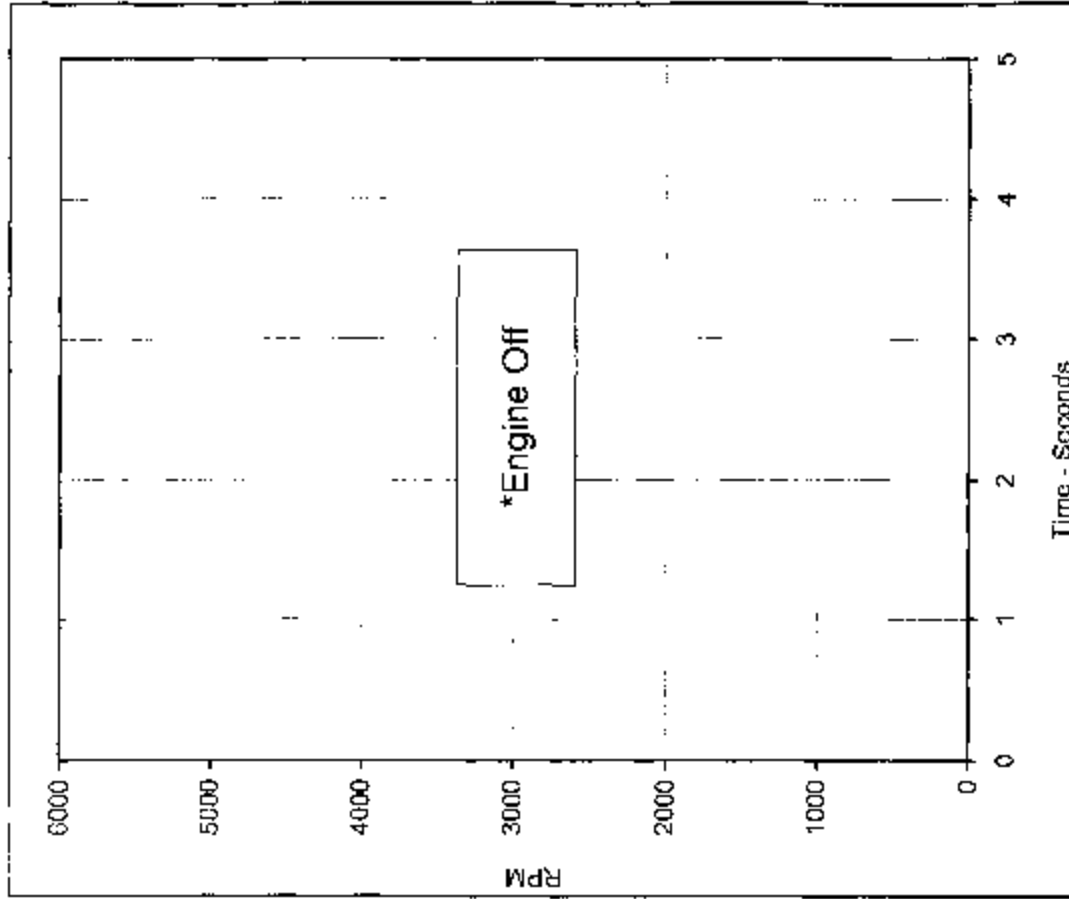




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| Throttle Position vs. Time |  | 001   | FIL  |

| Units | Max  | Time | Return Time (msec) | Filter (Hz) |
|-------|------|------|--------------------|-------------|
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Test Program: FMVSS 124 (#2 Spring Disconnected)  
 Test Vehicle: 2003 Ford Crown Victoria 4 Door Sedan

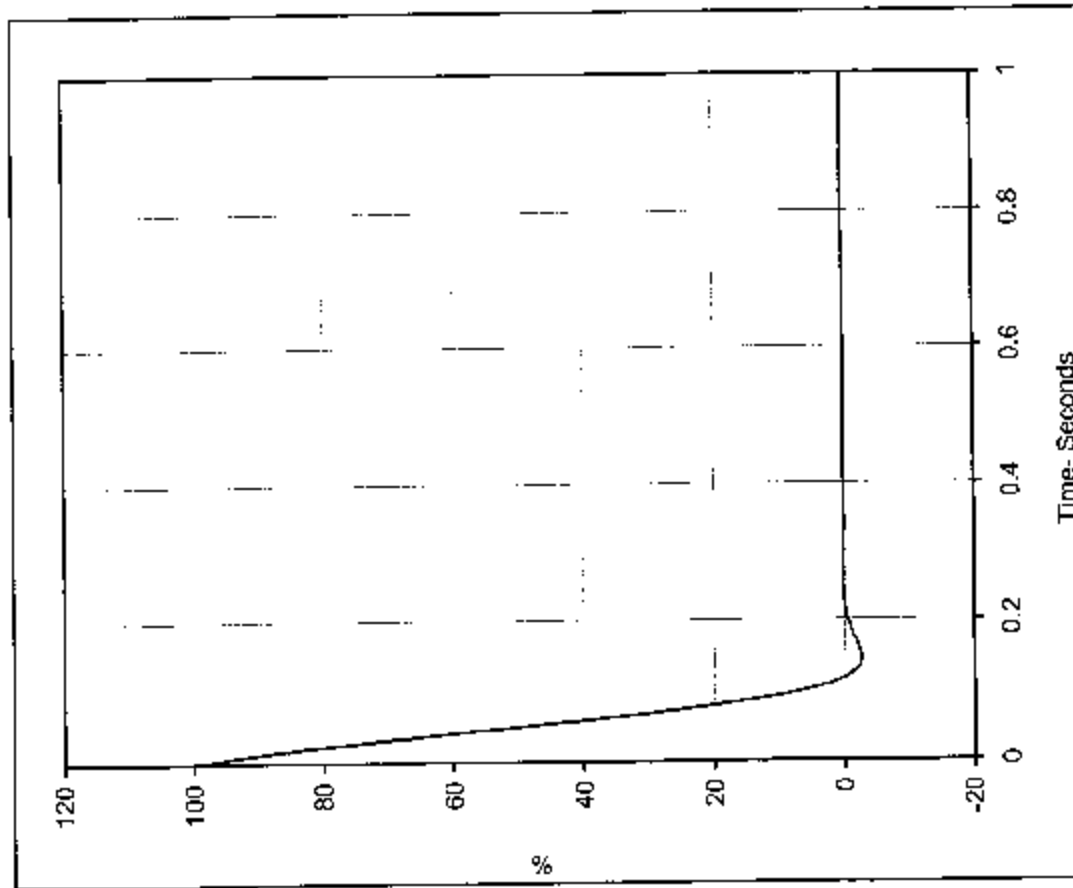


| Curve Description   |  | CURNO | Type |
|---------------------|--|-------|------|
| Engine RPM vs. Time |  | 002   | FIL  |

| Units | Max | Time | Min | Time | Filter (Hz) |
|-------|-----|------|-----|------|-------------|
| RPM   | 0.0 | 0.0  | 0.0 | 0.0  | 5           |

\*Engine Off  
 Test Date: 7/22/03  
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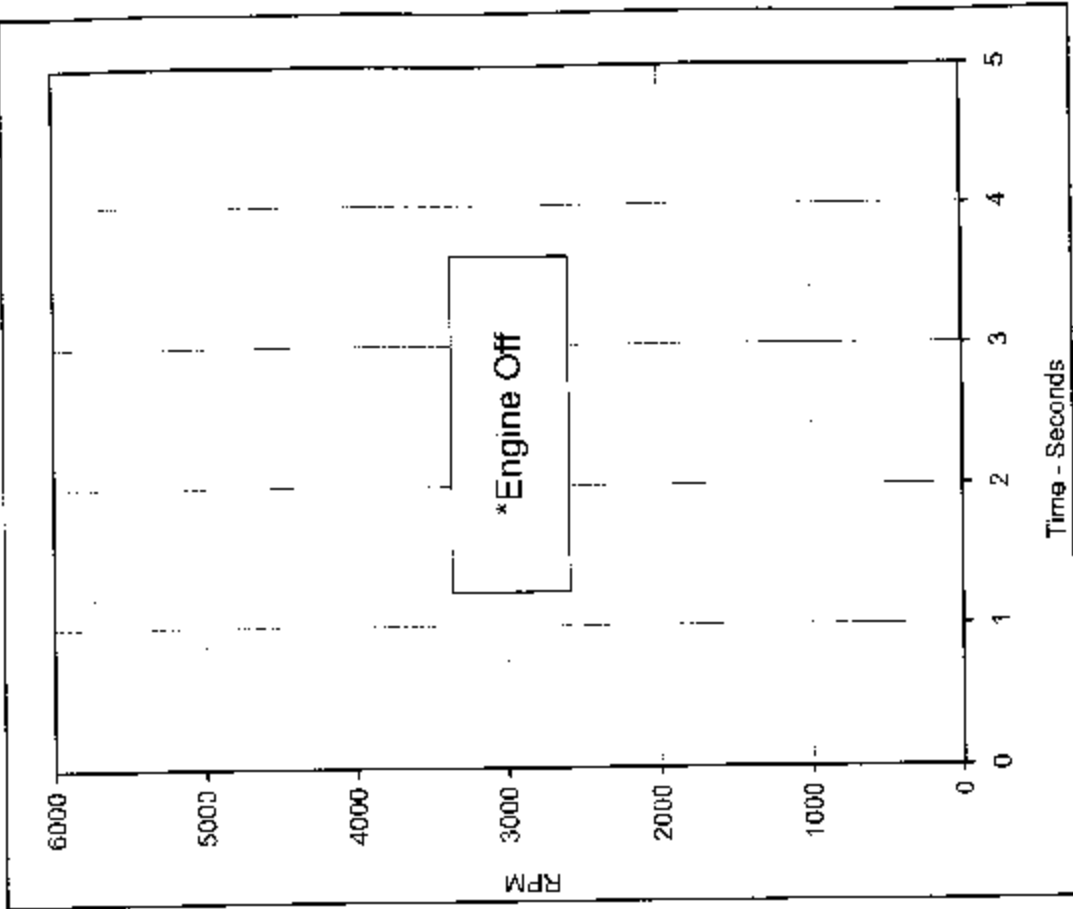




| Curve Description          |  | CURNO | Type |
|----------------------------|--|-------|------|
| Throttle Position vs. Time |  | 001   | FIL  |

| Units | Max   | Time | Return Time (msec) | Filter (Hz) |
|-------|-------|------|--------------------|-------------|
| %     | 100.3 | 0.0  | 130.0              | 5           |

Test Program: FMVSS 124 (#2 Spring Disconnected)  
 Test Vehicle: 2003 Ford Crown Victoria 4 Door Sedan

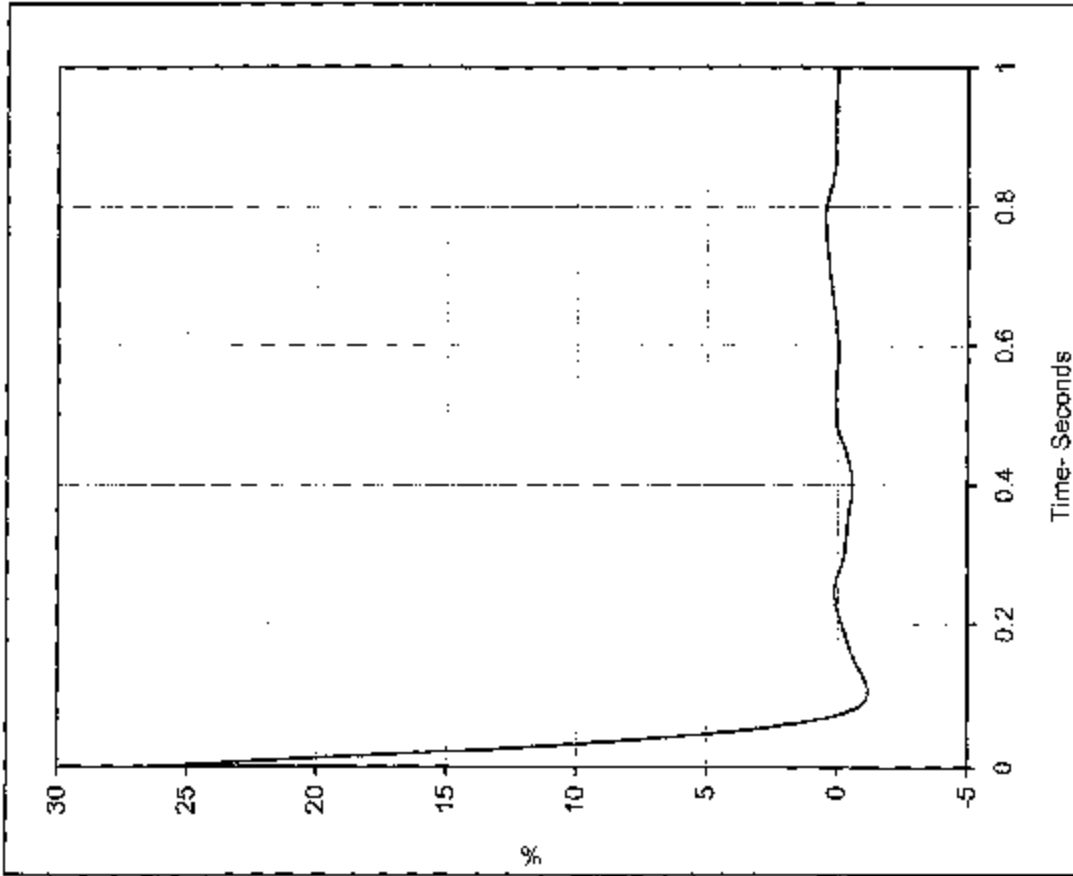


| Curve Description   |  | CURNO | Type |
|---------------------|--|-------|------|
| Engine RPM vs. Time |  | 002   | FIL  |

| Units | Max | Time | Min | Time | Filter (Hz) |
|-------|-----|------|-----|------|-------------|
| RPM   | 0.0 | 0.0  | 0.0 | 0.0  | 5           |

\*Engine Off  
 Test Date: 7/22/03  
 NHTSA No.: C30204

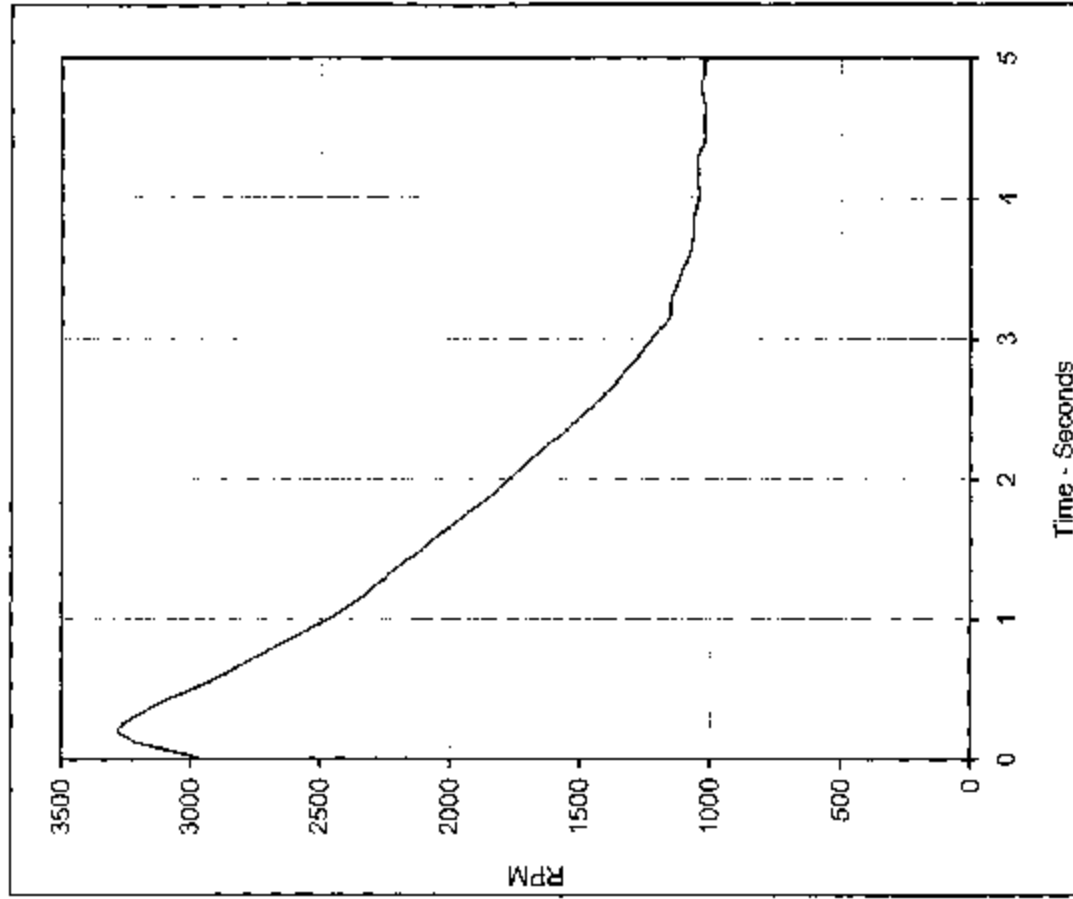




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|----------------------------|--|-------|------|
| Throttle Position vs. Time |  | 001   | FIL  |

| Units | Max  | Time | Return Time (msec) | Filter (Hz) |
|-------|------|------|--------------------|-------------|
| %     | 26.7 | 0.0  | 80.0               | 5           |

Test Program: FMVSS 124 (Severance Of Throttle Cable)  
 Test Vehicle: 2003 Ford Crown Victoria 4 Door Sedan

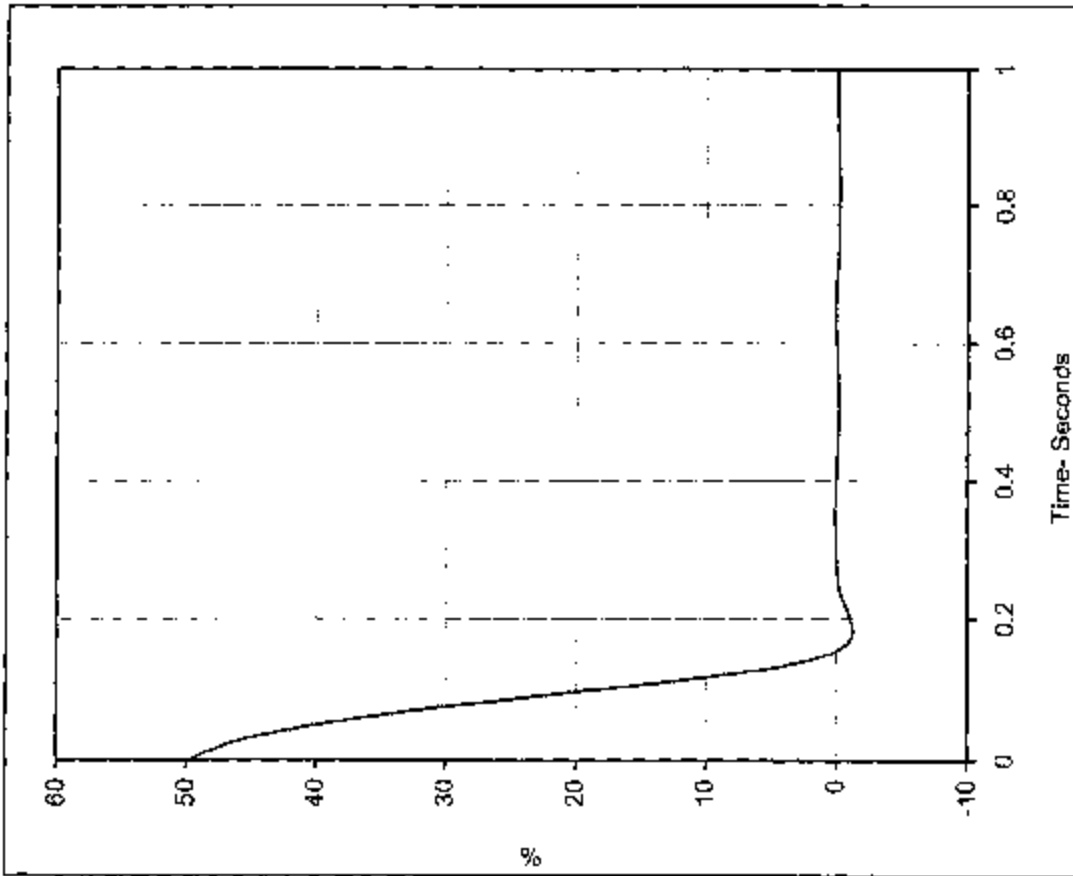


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|---------------------|--|-------|------|
| Engine RPM vs. Time |  | 002   | FIL  |

| Units | Max    | Time | Min   | Time | Filter (Hz) |
|-------|--------|------|-------|------|-------------|
| RPM   | 3279.0 | 0.2  | 691.4 | 5.0  | 5           |

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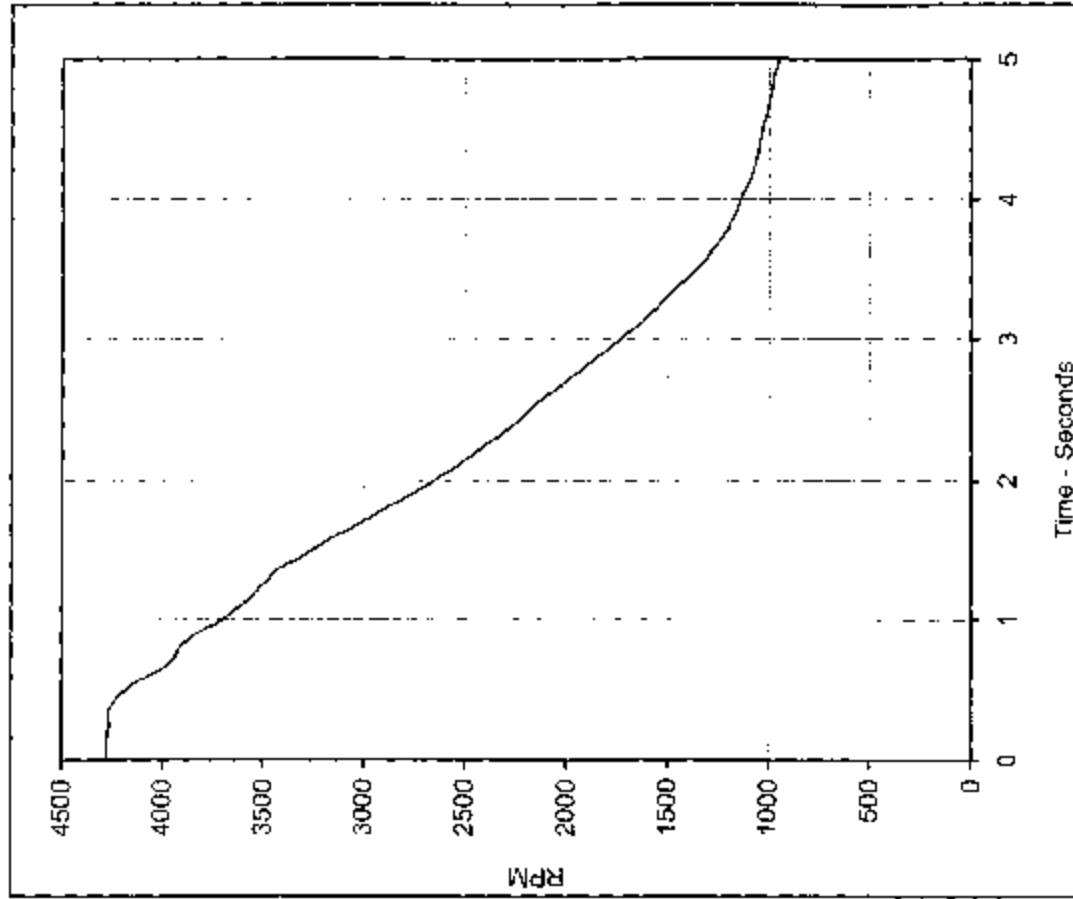




| Curve Description          |  | CURNO | Type |
|----------------------------|--|-------|------|
| Throttle Position vs. Time |  | 001   | FIL  |

| Units | Max  | Time | Return Time (msec) | Filter (Hz) |
|-------|------|------|--------------------|-------------|
| %     | 49.7 | 0.0  | 160.0              | 5           |

Test Program: FMVSS 124 (Severance Of Throttle Cable)  
 Test Vehicle: 2003 Ford Crown Victoria 4 Door Sedan

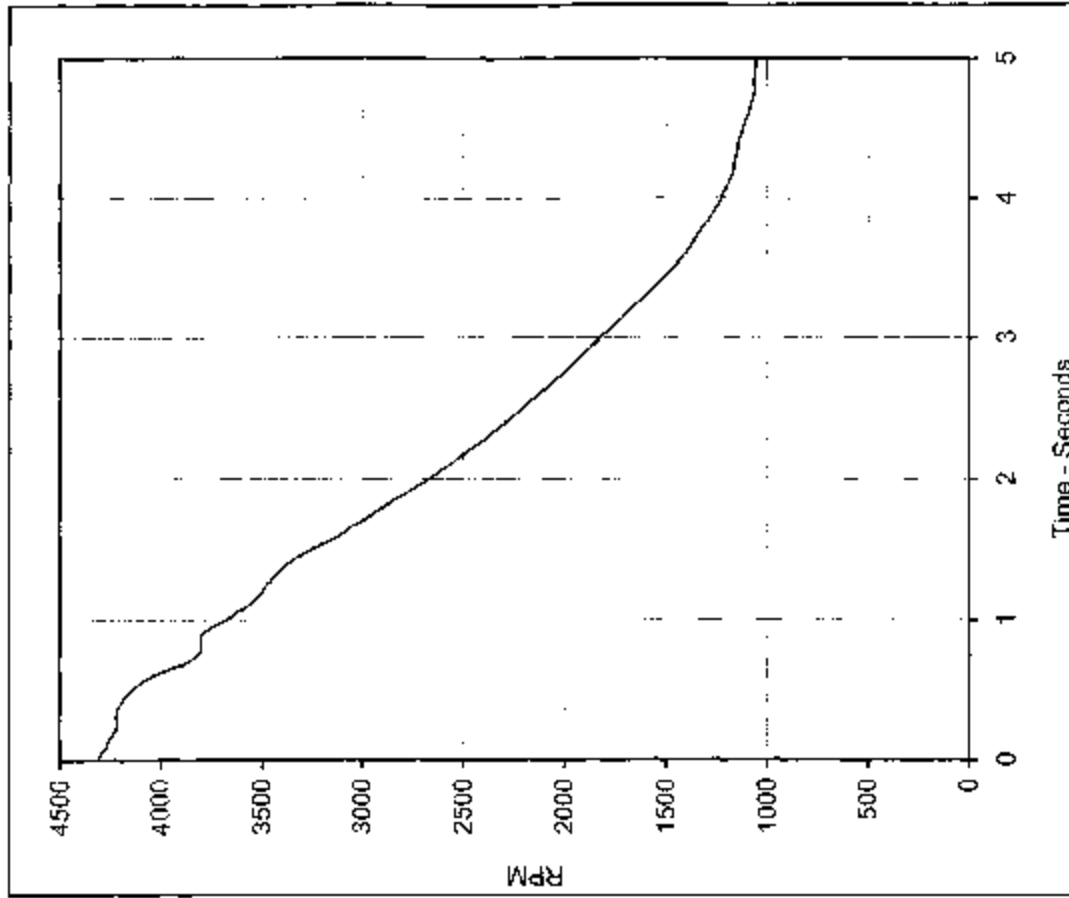
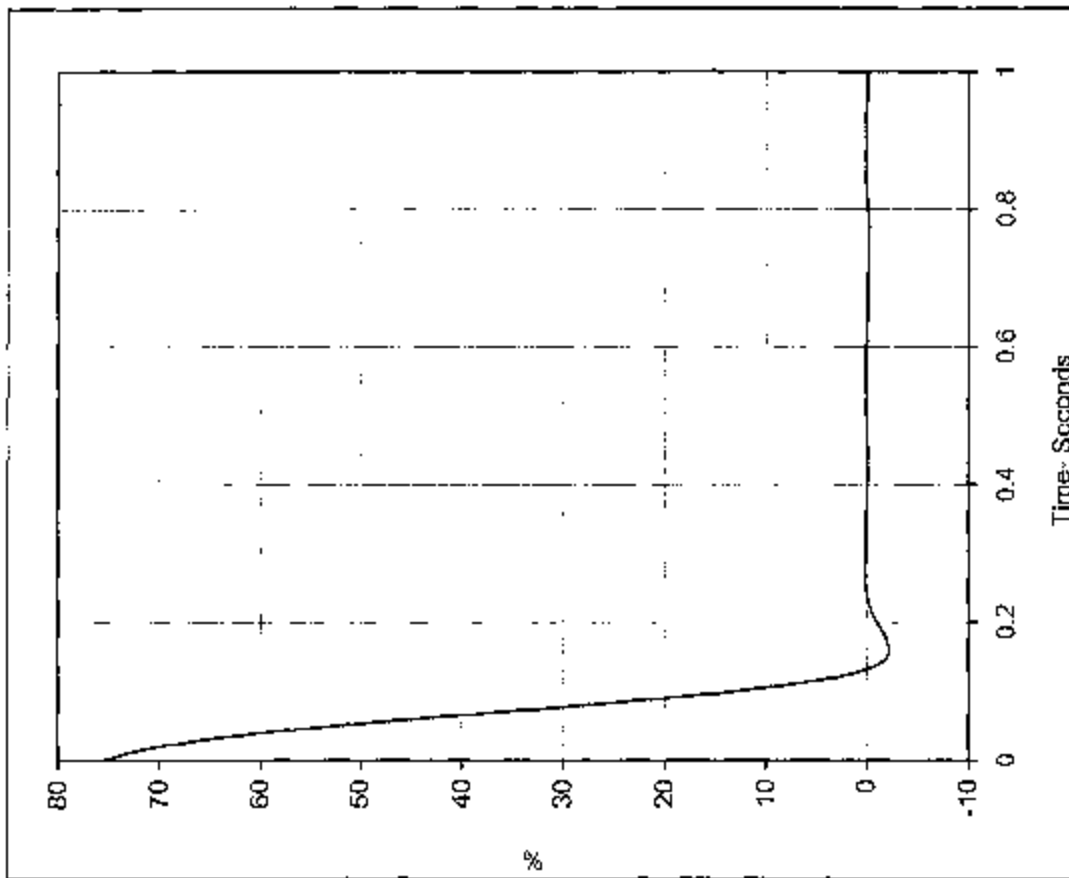


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|---------------------|--|-------|------|
| Engine RPM vs. Time |  | 002   | FIL  |

| Units | Max    | Time | Min   | Time | Filter (Hz) |
|-------|--------|------|-------|------|-------------|
| RPM   | 4280.7 | 0.1  | 954.9 | 5.0  | 5           |

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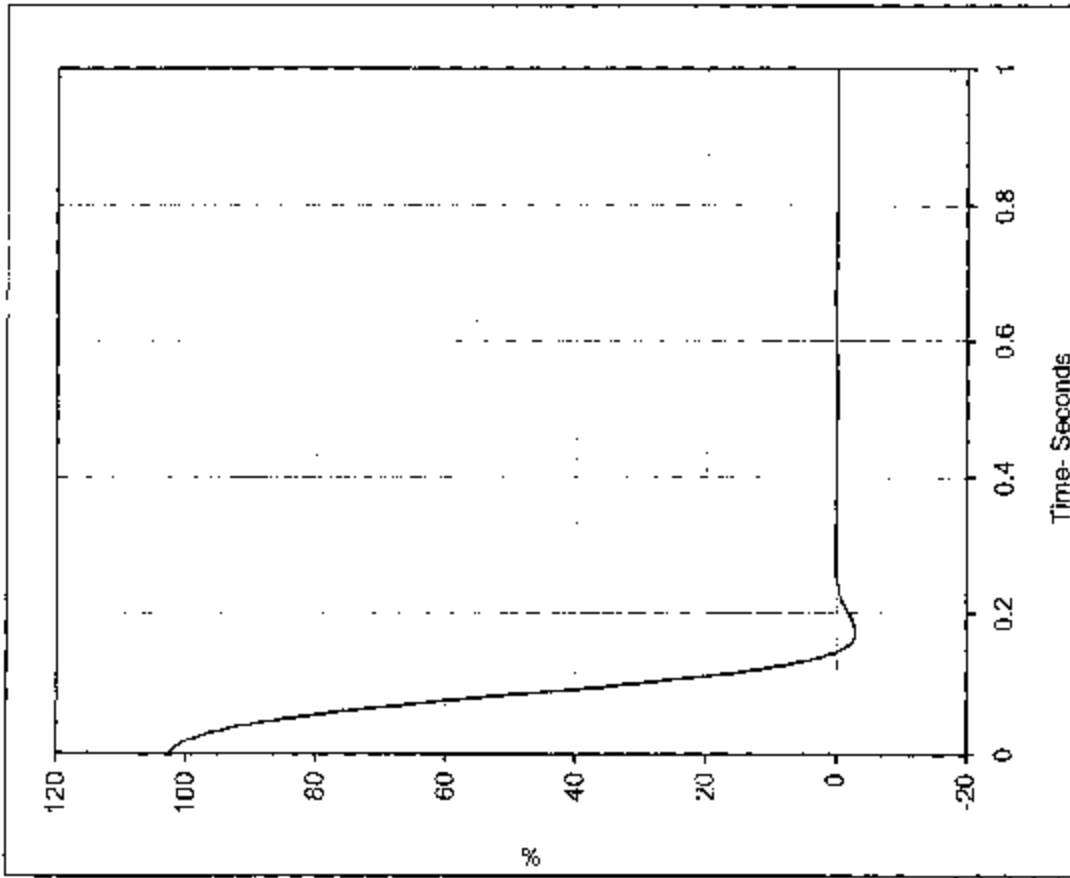




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 Test Vehicle: 2003 Ford Crown Victoria 4 Door Sedan

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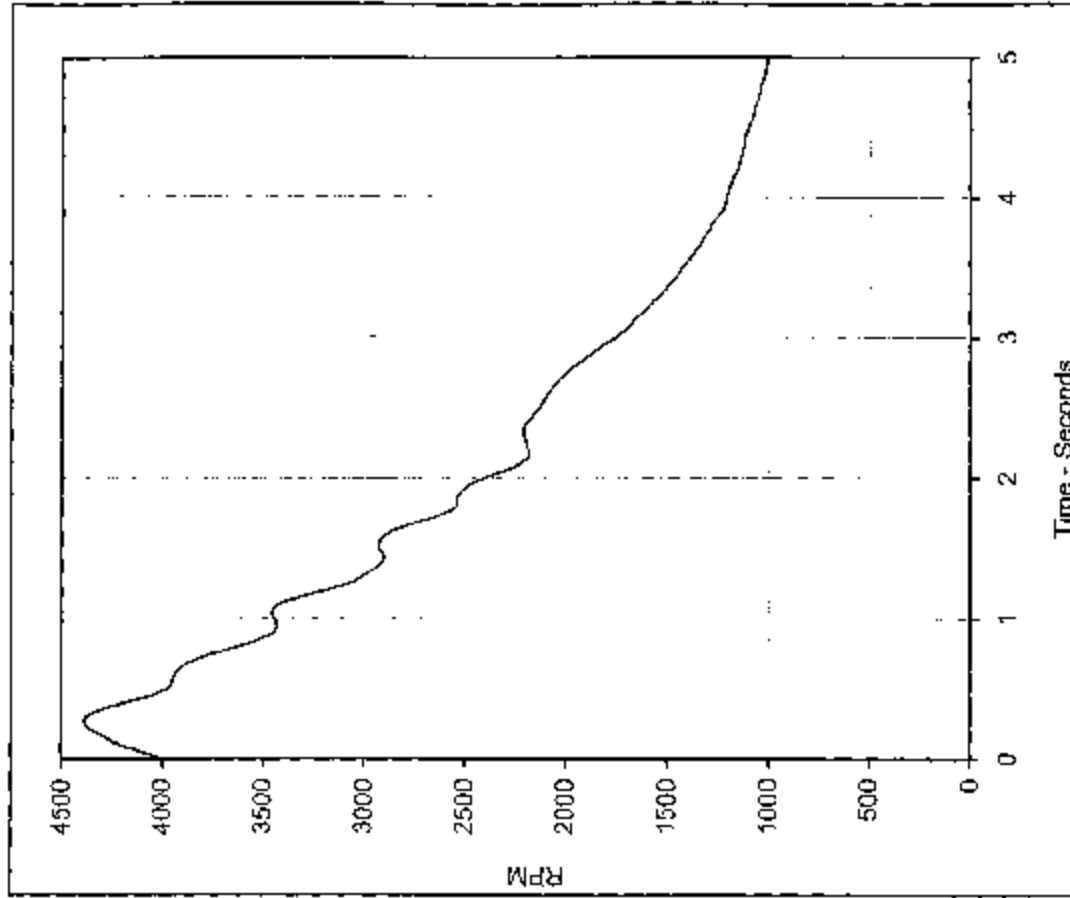




| Curve Description          | CURNO | Type |
|----------------------------|-------|------|
| Throttle Position vs. Time | 001   | FIL  |

| Units | Max   | Time | Return Time (msec) | Filter (Hz) |
|-------|-------|------|--------------------|-------------|
| %     | 102.7 | 0.0  | 150.0              | 5           |

Test Program: FMVSS 124 (Severance Of Throttle Cable)  
 Test Vehicle: 2003 Ford Crown Victoria 4 Door Sedan



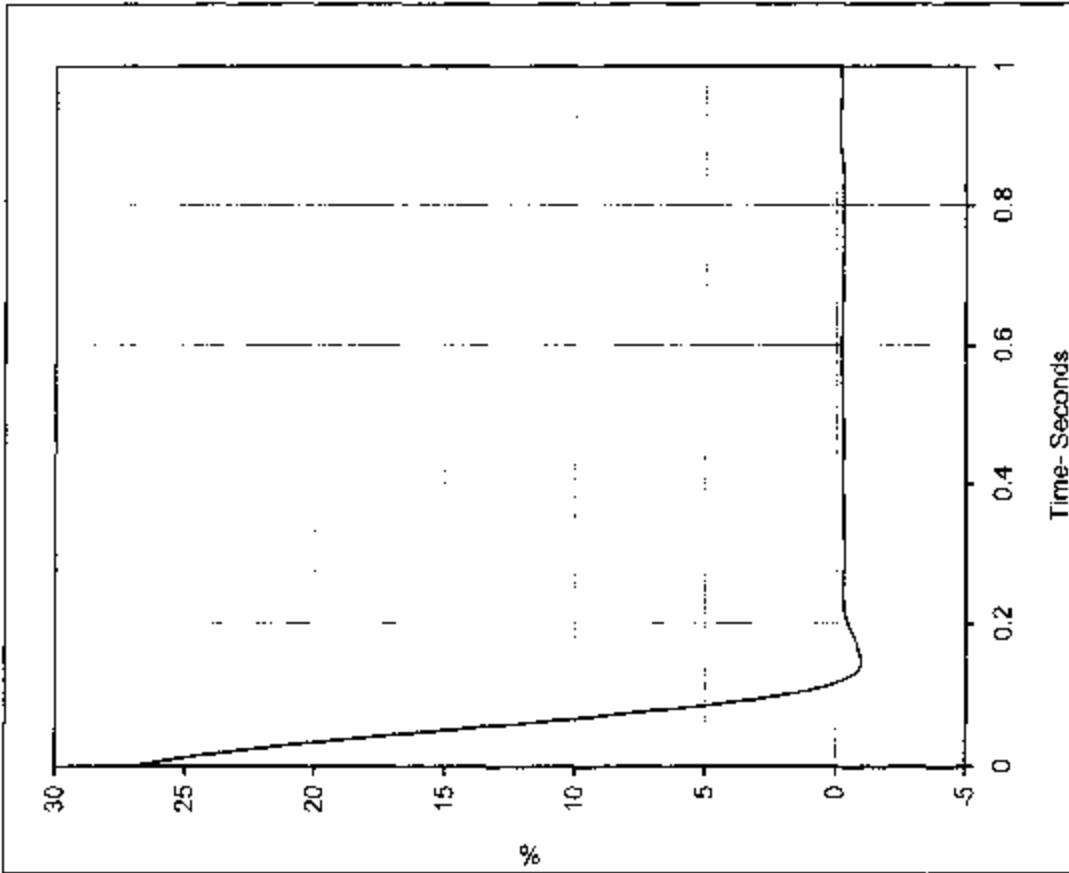
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|---------------------|-------|------|
| Engine RPM vs. Time | 002   | FIL  |

| Units | Max    | Time | Min    | Time | Filter (Hz) |
|-------|--------|------|--------|------|-------------|
| RPM   | 4396.1 | 0.3  | 1009.3 | 5.0  | 5           |

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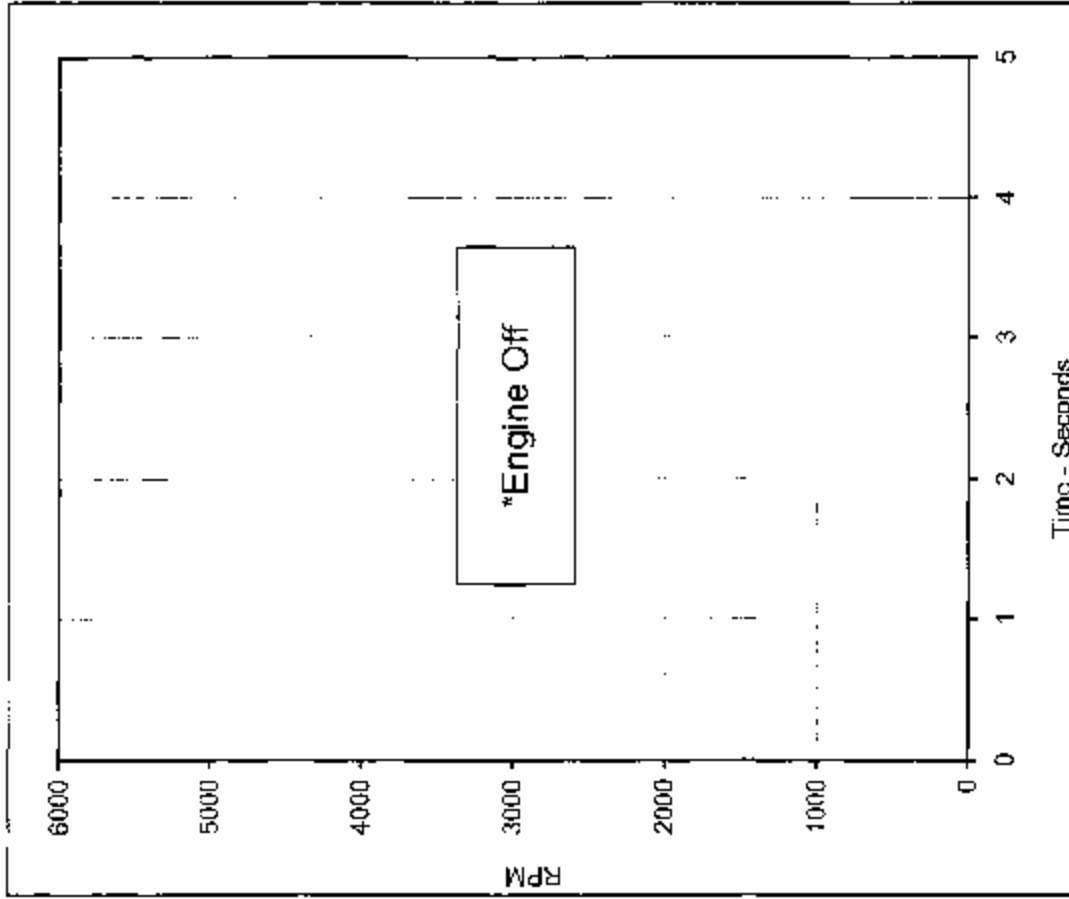


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| Throttle Position vs. Time |  | 001   | FIL  |

| Units | Max  | Time | Return Time (msec) | Filter (Hz) |
|-------|------|------|--------------------|-------------|
| %     | 27.2 | 0.0  | 130.0              | 5           |

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| Curve Description   |  | CURNO | Type |
|---------------------|--|-------|------|
| Engine RPM vs. Time |  | 002   | FIL  |

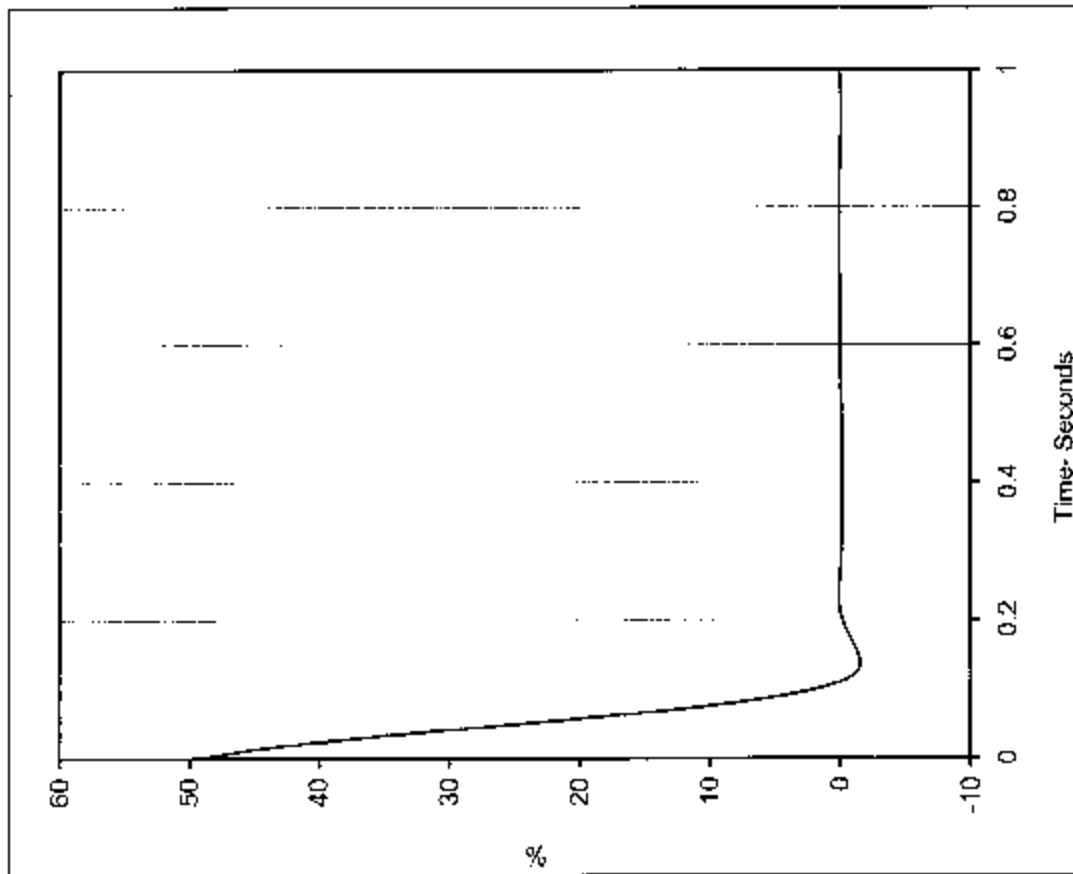
| Units | Max | Time | Min | Time | Filter (Hz) |
|-------|-----|------|-----|------|-------------|
| RPM   | 0.0 | 0.0  | 0.0 | 0.0  | 5           |

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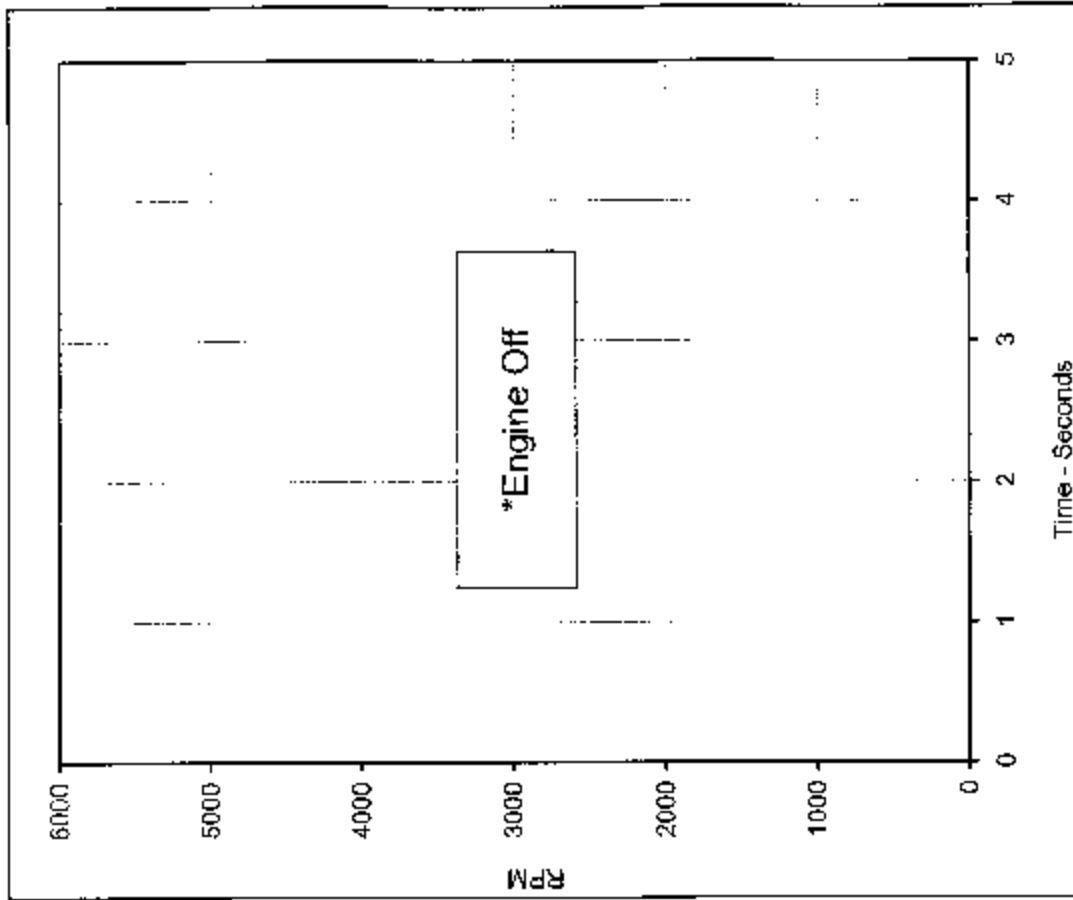




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| Throttle Position vs. Time |  | 001   | FIL  |

| Units | Max  | Time | Return Time (msec) | Filter (Hz) |
|-------|------|------|--------------------|-------------|
| %     | 49.3 | 0.0  | 110.0              | 5           |

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 Test Vehicle: 2003 Ford Crown Victoria 4 Door Sedan



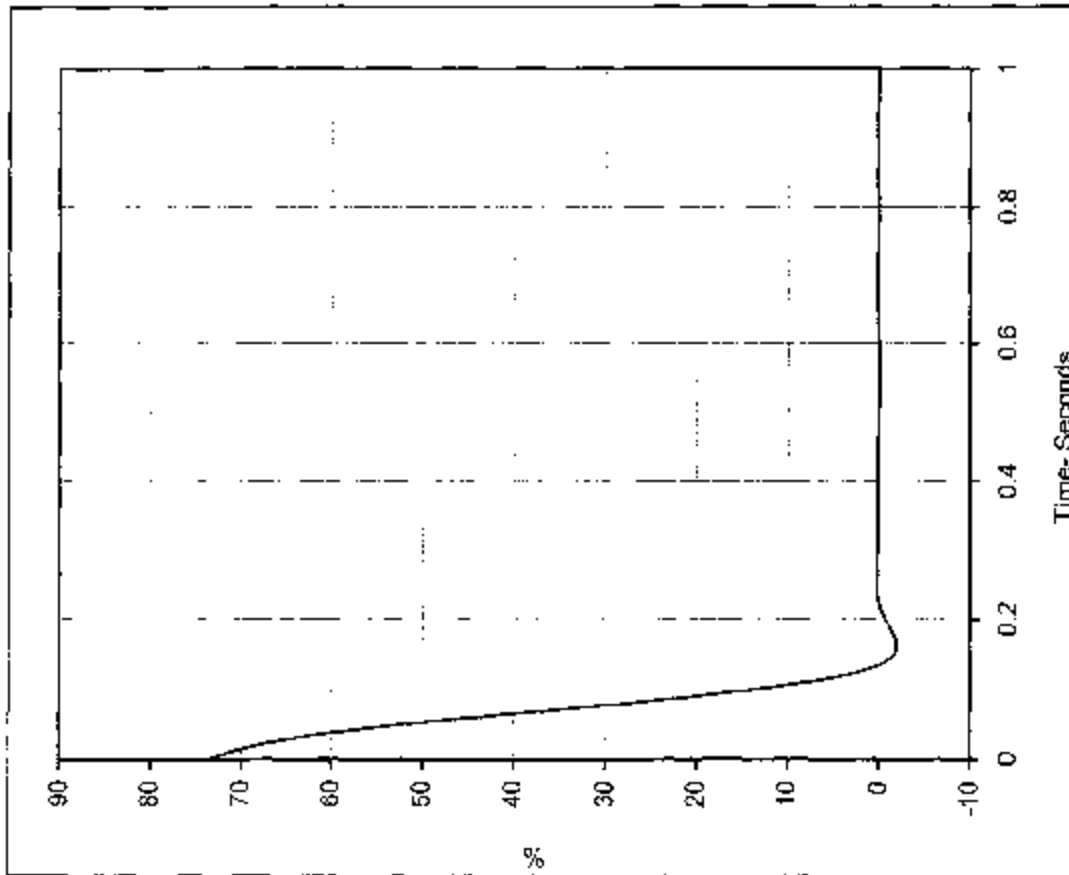
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|---------------------|--|-------|------|
| Engine RPM vs. Time |  | 002   | FIL  |

| Units | Max | Time | Min | Time | Filter (Hz) |
|-------|-----|------|-----|------|-------------|
| RPM   | 0.0 | 0.0  | 0.0 | 0.0  | 5           |

\*Engine Off

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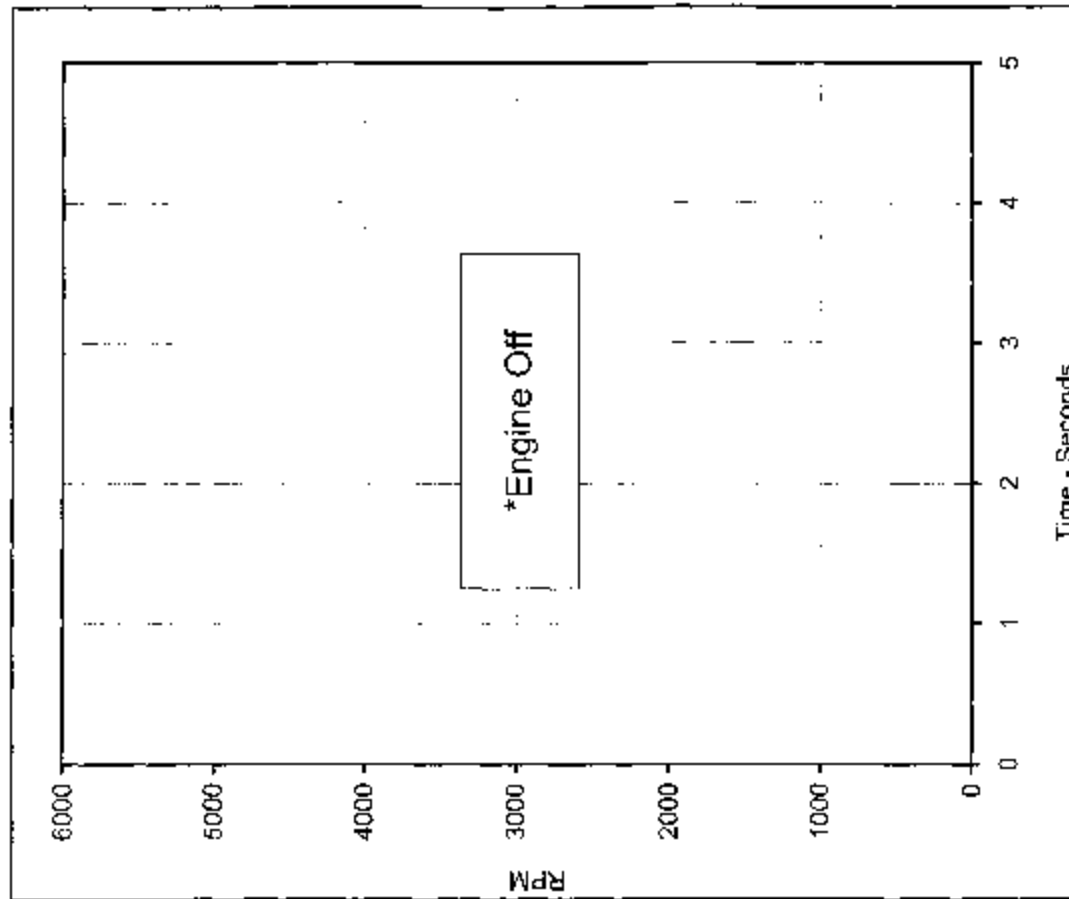




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| Throttle Position vs. Time |  | 001   | FIL  |

| Units | Max  | Time | Return Time (msec) | Filter (Hz) |
|-------|------|------|--------------------|-------------|
| %     | 73.5 | 0.0  | 140.0              | 5           |

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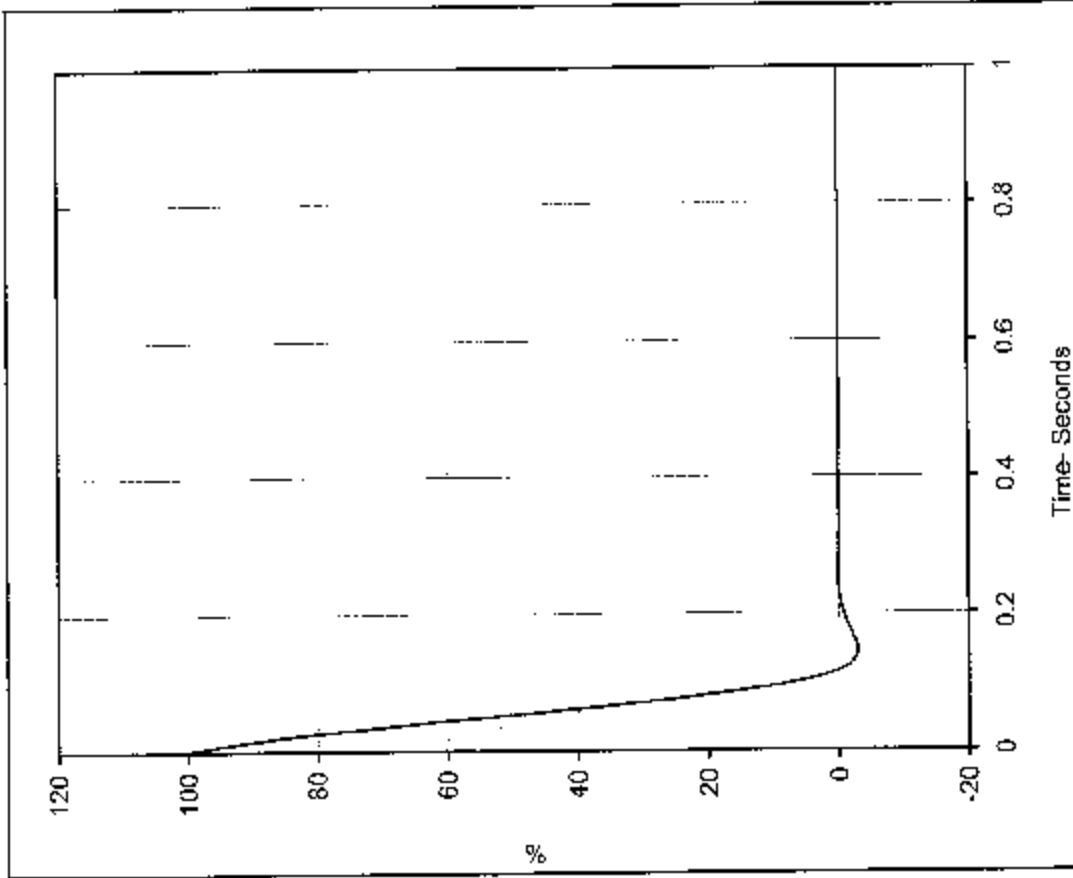
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| Engine RPM vs. Time |  | 002   | FIL  |

| Units | Max | Time | Min | Time | Filter (Hz) |
|-------|-----|------|-----|------|-------------|
| RPM   | 0.0 | 0.0  | 0.0 | 0.0  | 5           |

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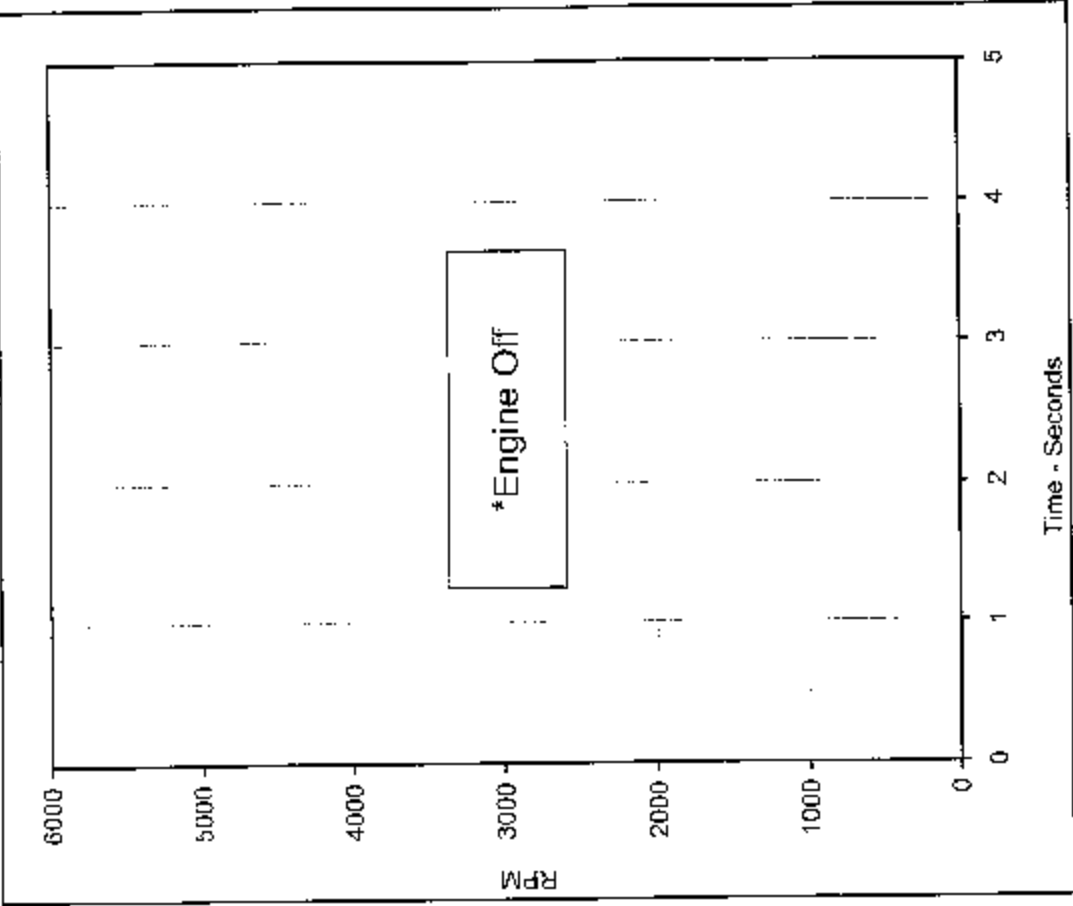




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| Throttle Position vs. Time |  | 001   | FIL  |

| Units | Max   | Time | Return Time (msec) | Filter (Hz) |
|-------|-------|------|--------------------|-------------|
| %     | 100.7 | 0.0  | 120.0              | 5           |

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| Curve Description   |  | CURNO | Type |
|---------------------|--|-------|------|
| Engine RPM vs. Time |  | 002   | FIL  |

| Units | Max | Time | Min | Time | Filter (Hz) |
|-------|-----|------|-----|------|-------------|
| RPM   | 0.0 | 0.0  | 0.0 | 0.0  | 5           |

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APPENDIX C  
TEST EQUIPMENT LIST AND CALIBRATION INFORMATION

**FMVSS 124 Accelerator Control Systems  
Test Equipment List  
7/28/03**

**2003 Chrysler PT Cruiser 4 Door Hatchback**

| Description       | Manufacturer | Model No. | Serial No. | Limit   | Accuracy | Cal. Date | Due Cal. |
|-------------------|--------------|-----------|------------|---------|----------|-----------|----------|
| TDAS              | DTS          | TDAS      | DM0101     | N/A     | SAE J211 | 11/28/02  | 11/28/03 |
| Computer          | Panasonic    | CF-71     | 8IMAA01852 | N/A     | N/A      | N/A       | N/A      |
| Optical 5th Wheel | Datron       | DLS-2     | 06-262     | 150 MPH | ± 1.0%   | 4/9/03    | 4/8/04   |

