

**Transmission:** 4L60E

**Subject:** Circuit Tests

**Application:** 1993 to 1996 Model Years

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# **4L60E**Circuit Tests

- 1. Cut the EPC solenoid (force motor) high circuit wire.
- 2. Connect the red lead of the multi-meter (DVOM) to the wire going to the PCM.
- 3. Place the red lead into the amps jack and set the multi-meter to DC Amps.
- 4. Connect the black lead to the wire going to the transmission.
- 5. With the scan tool connected to the vehicles DLC; start the vehicle and compare the EPC desired amps (DES A) and EPC actual amps (ACT A) data pid display to the reading on the multi-meter.

Using the line pressure chart provided, if the reading on the scan tool indicates that the PCM is commanding low line pressure (Approx. 1 amp) and the multi-meter reading display indicates a high pressure command (low amps near zero), the PCM will need to be replaced.

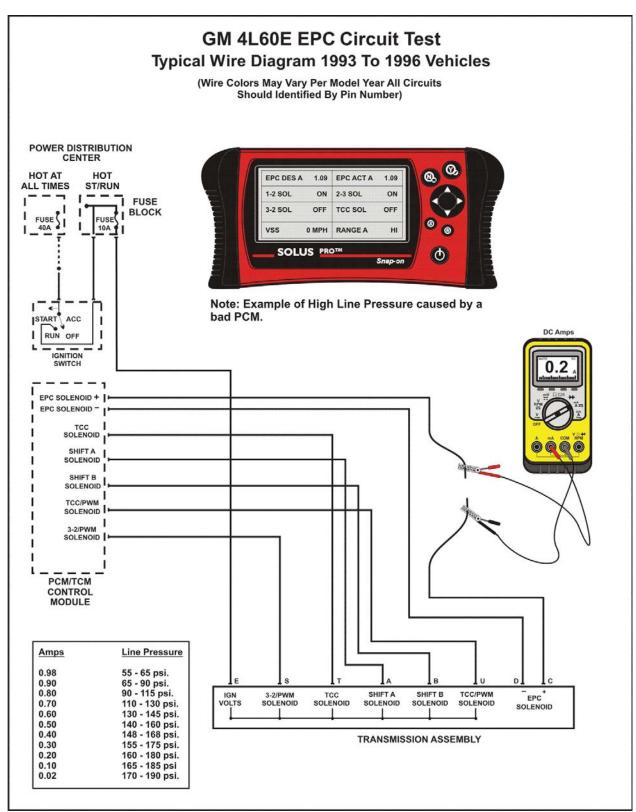


Figure 1 - High Line Pressure

Same test using an amp clamp adapter or meter, clamped around the high side circuit wire.

**Note:** Not necessary to cut EPC wire. Some amp clamps may have a + sign on one side of the clamp jaws, this mark should face toward the high side power flow. If clamped incorrectly will "only" cause a negative reading on the multi-meter or amp clamp meter.

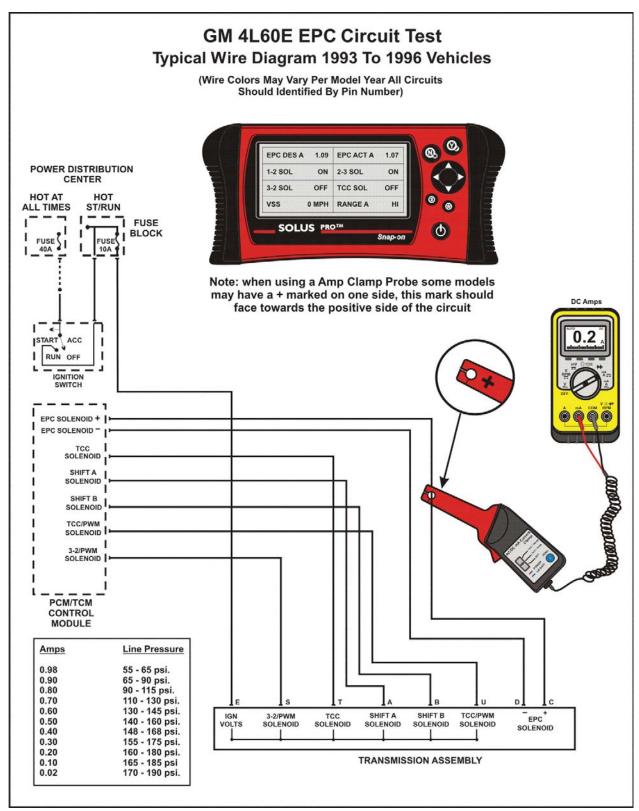


Figure 2 - High Line Pressure

Solenoid codes that set during start up or when vehicle is being driven. Jump battery voltage through a fusible link to pin E at the transmission connector. Most common cause is a bad Ignition switch.

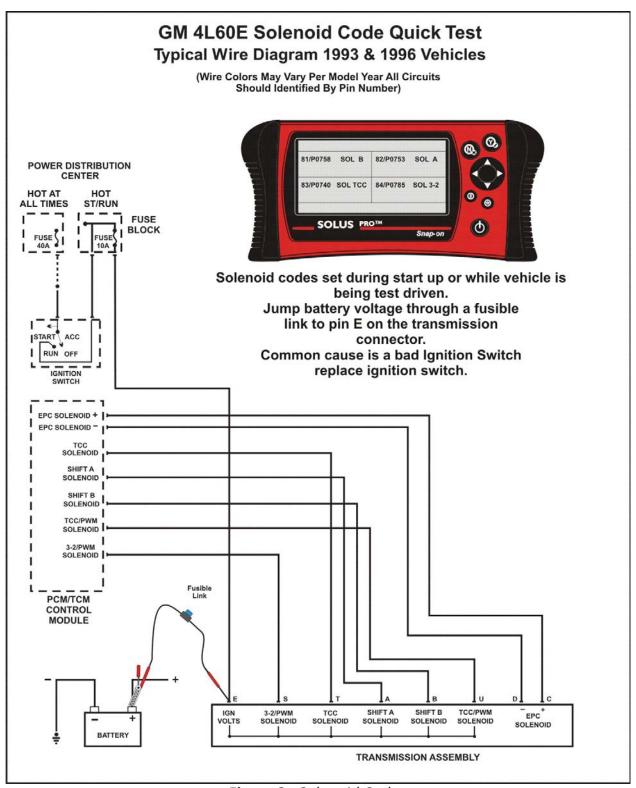


Figure 3 - Solenoid Codes

- 1. Remove Power Supply Fuse to Pin E of the transmission connector.
- 2. With Multi-meter set on DC Amps; connect Red Lead (POS) to the Fuse Power Terminal, connect the Black Lead (NEG) to the Terminal going to the Transmission Connector Pin E.
- 3. Connect Scan Tool to the DCL, turn key on engine off, go to the scan tool's Functional Test Mode go to Solenoid Test.
- 4. Activate each Solenoid while monitoring the Amp Draw to determine which solenoid or circuit is at fault.

Note: Using the Ohms Law chart along with the solenoid resistance to determine what the correct amperage should be. Important: The Voltage should rise and fall quickly, best if using a Graphing Meter or Oscilloscope (figure 5). A bad signal is caused by a faulty PCM solenoid driver.

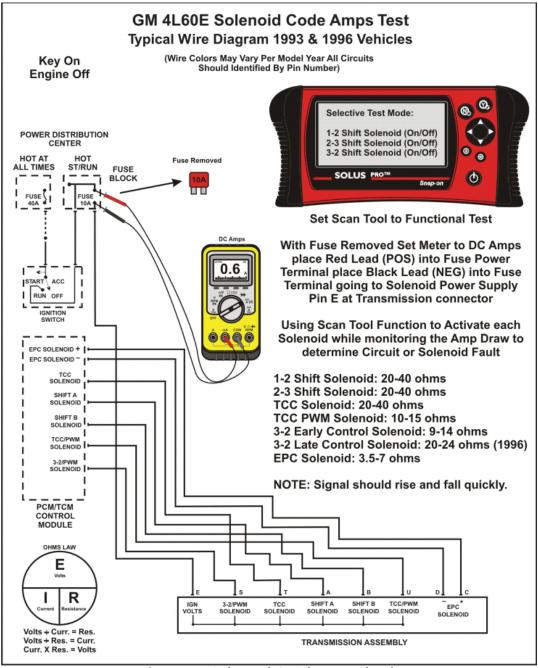


Figure 4 - Solenoid Quick Amp Check

**Note:** A bad solenoid driver can cause flared shifts.

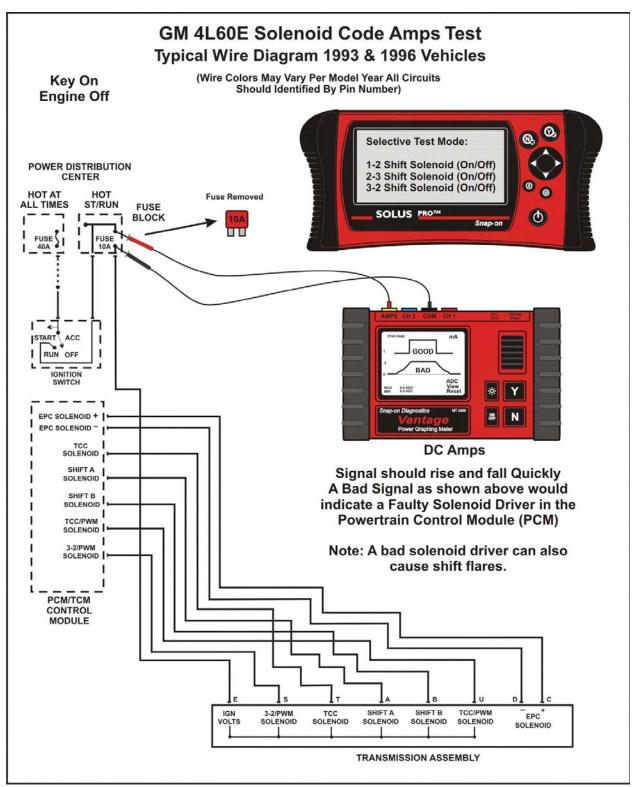


Figure 5 - Solenoid Quick Amp Check with Graphing Meter or Oscilloscope