

# ENGINE MALFUNCTION INDICATOR LAMP (MIL)

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## 16.Engine Malfunction Indicator Lamp (MIL)

### A: PROCEDURE

1. Activation of CHECK ENGINE Malfunction Indicator Lamp (MIL) <Ref. to EN(H4DOTC)-52, ACTIVATION OF CHECK ENGINE MALFUNCTION INDICATOR LAMP (MIL), Engine Malfunction Indicator Lamp (MIL).>
2. Check whether the CHECK ENGINE Malfunction Indicator Lamp (MIL) does not come on. <Ref. to EN(H4DOTC)-53, CHECK ENGINE MALFUNCTION INDICATOR LAMP (MIL) DOES NOT COME ON., Engine Malfunction Indicator Lamp (MIL).>
3. Check whether the CHECK ENGINE Malfunction Indicator Lamp (MIL) does not turn off. <Ref. to EN(H4DOTC)-55, CHECK ENGINE MALFUNCTION INDICATOR LAMP (MIL) DOES NOT TURN OFF., Engine Malfunction Indicator Lamp (MIL).>
4. Check whether the CHECK ENGINE malfunction indicator lamp (MIL) does not blink at a cycle of 3 Hz. <Ref. to EN(H4DOTC)-56, CHECK ENGINE MALFUNCTION INDICATOR LAMP (MIL) DOES NOT BLINK AT A CYCLE OF 3 HZ., Engine Malfunction Indicator Lamp (MIL).>
5. Check whether the CHECK ENGINE malfunction indicator lamp (MIL) remains blinking at a cycle of 3 Hz. <Ref. to EN(H4DOTC)-58, CHECK ENGINE MALFUNCTION INDICATOR LAMP (MIL) REMAINS BLINKING AT A CYCLE OF 3 HZ., Engine Malfunction Indicator Lamp (MIL).>

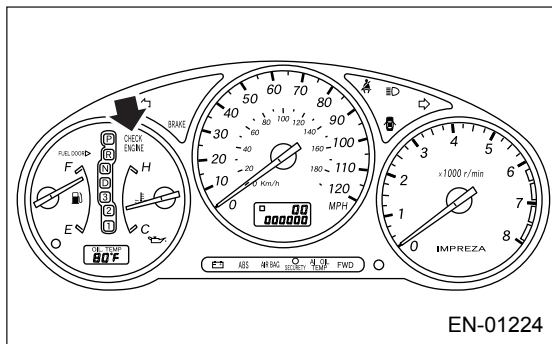
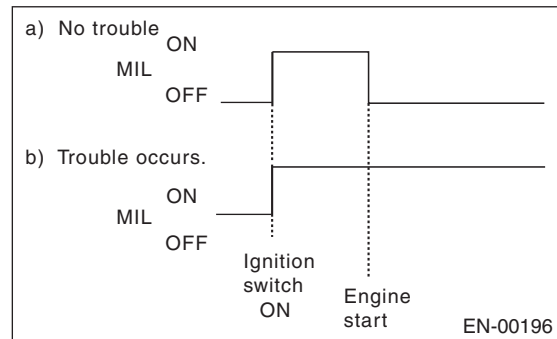
### B: ACTIVATION OF CHECK ENGINE MALFUNCTION INDICATOR LAMP (MIL)

1) When the ignition switch is turned to ON (engine off), the CHECK ENGINE malfunction indicator lamp (MIL) in the combination meter illuminates.

#### NOTE:

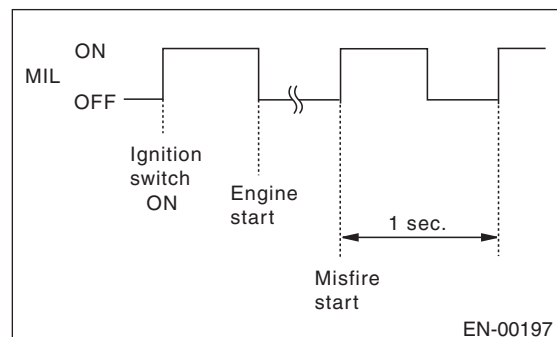
If the MIL does not illuminate, perform diagnostics of the CHECK ENGINE light circuit or the combination meter circuit. <Ref. to EN(H4DOTC)-53, CHECK ENGINE MALFUNCTION INDICATOR LAMP (MIL) DOES NOT COME ON., Engine Malfunction Indicator Lamp (MIL).>

2) After starting the engine, the MIL goes out. If it does not, either the engine or the emission control system is malfunctioning.



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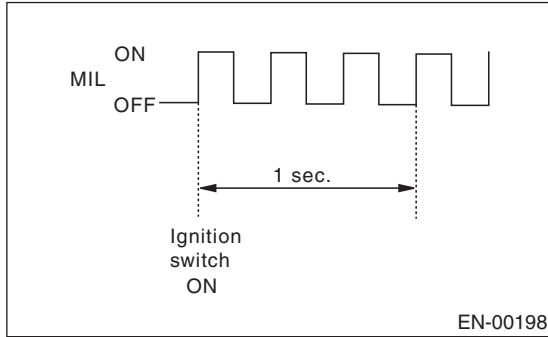
3) If the diagnosis system senses a misfire which could damage the catalytic converter, the MIL will blink at a cycle of 1 Hz.



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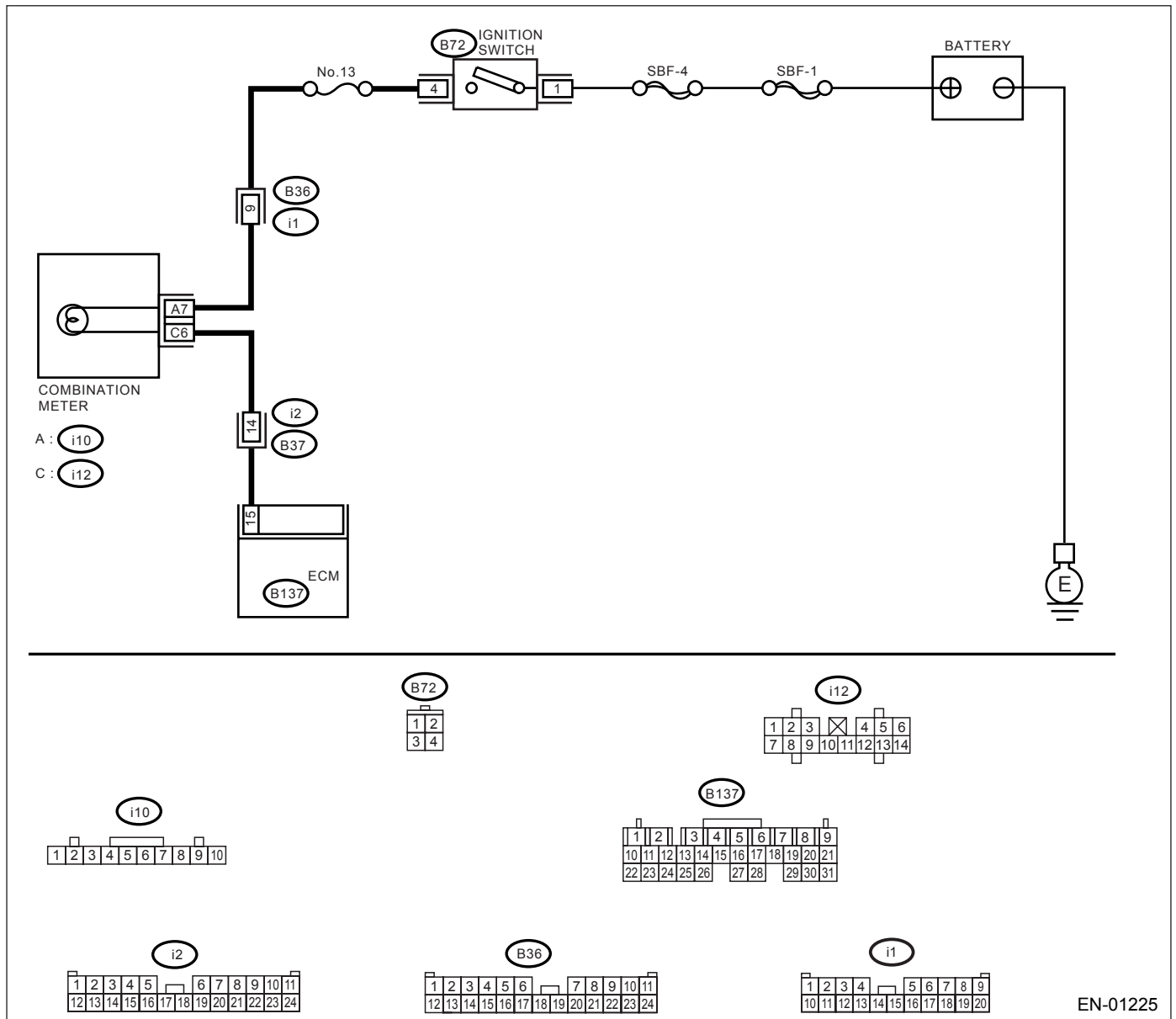
4) When the ignition switch is turned to ON (engine off) or to START with the test mode connector connected, the MIL blinks at a cycle of 3 Hz.



## C: CHECK ENGINE MALFUNCTION INDICATOR LAMP (MIL) DOES NOT COME ON.

- **DIAGNOSIS:**
  - The CHECK ENGINE malfunction indicator lamp (MIL) circuit is open or shorted.
- **TROUBLE SYMPTOM:**
  - When the ignition switch is turned ON (engine OFF), MIL does not come on.

### • WIRING DIAGRAM:



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Step	Check	Yes	No
<b>1 CHECK OUTPUT SIGNAL FROM ECM.</b> 1) Turn ignition switch to ON. 2) Measure the voltage between ECM connector and chassis ground. <b>Connector &amp; terminal</b> <b>(B137) No. 15 (+) — Chassis ground (-):</b> Is the measured value less than the specified value?	1 V	Go to step 4.	Go to step 2.
<b>2 CHECK FOR POOR CONTACT.</b> Does the MIL illuminate when shaking or pulling ECM connector and harness?	MIL illuminates.	Repair poor contact in ECM connector.	Go to step 3.
<b>3 CHECK ECM CONNECTOR.</b> Is the ECM connector correctly connected?	Correctly connected.	Replace the ECM. <Ref. to FU(H4DOTC)-50, Engine Control Module.>	Repair connection of ECM connector.
<b>4 CHECK HARNESS BETWEEN COMBINATION METER AND ECM CONNECTOR.</b> 1) Turn ignition switch to OFF. 2) Remove the combination meter. <Ref. to IDI-12, Combination Meter Assembly.> 3) Disconnect the connector from ECM and combination meter. 4) Measure the resistance of harness between ECM and combination meter connector. <b>Connector &amp; terminal</b> <b>(B137) No. 15 — (i12) No. 6:</b> Is the measured value less than the specified value?	1 Ω	Go to step 5.	Repair harness and connector. NOTE: In this case, repair the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Open circuit in harness between ECM and combination meter connector</li> <li>• Poor contact in coupling connector</li> </ul>
<b>5 CHECK FOR POOR CONTACT.</b> Check for poor contact in combination meter connector. Is there poor contact in combination meter connector?	There is poor contact.	Repair poor contact in combination meter connector.	Go to step 6.
<b>6 CHECK HARNESS BETWEEN COMBINATION METER AND IGNITION SWITCH CONNECTOR.</b> 1) Turn ignition switch to ON. 2) Measure the voltage between combination meter connector and chassis ground. <b>Connector &amp; terminal</b> <b>(i10) No. 7 (+) — Chassis ground (-):</b> Is the measured value more than the specified value?	10 V	Replace the combination meter circuit board. <Ref. to IDI-12, Combination Meter Assembly.>	Check the following and repair if necessary. NOTE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Blown out fuse (No. 13).</li> <li>• Open or short circuit in harness between fuse (No. 13) and battery terminal</li> <li>• Poor contact in ignition switch connector</li> </ul>

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## D: CHECK ENGINE MALFUNCTION INDICATOR LAMP (MIL) DOES NOT TURN OFF.

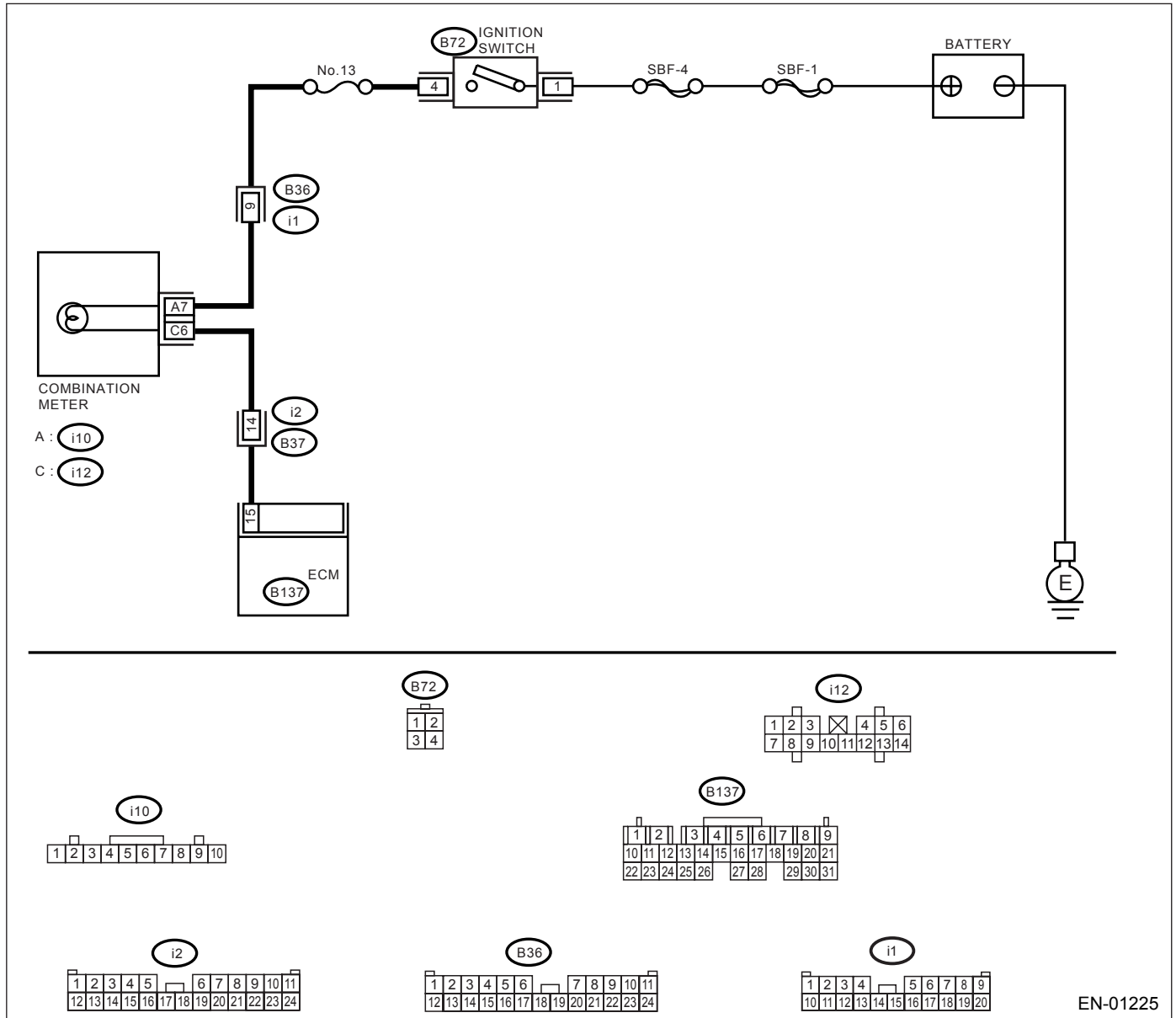
### • DIAGNOSIS:

- The CHECK ENGINE malfunction indicator lamp (MIL) circuit is shorted.

### • TROUBLE SYMPTOM:

- Although MIL comes on when the engine runs, a diagnostic trouble code (DTC) is not shown on the Subaru Select Monitor or OBD-II general scan tool display.

### • WIRING DIAGRAM:



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Step	Check	Yes	No
<b>1</b> <b>CHECK HARNESS BETWEEN COMBINATION METER AND ECM CONNECTOR.</b> 1) Turn ignition switch to OFF. 2) Disconnect the connector from ECM. 3) Turn ignition switch to ON. Does the MIL illuminate?	MIL illuminates.	Repair short circuit in harness between combination meter and ECM connector.	Replace the ECM. <Ref. to FU(H4DOTC)-50, Engine Control Module.>

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## E: CHECK ENGINE MALFUNCTION INDICATOR LAMP (MIL) DOES NOT BLINK AT A CYCLE OF 3 HZ.

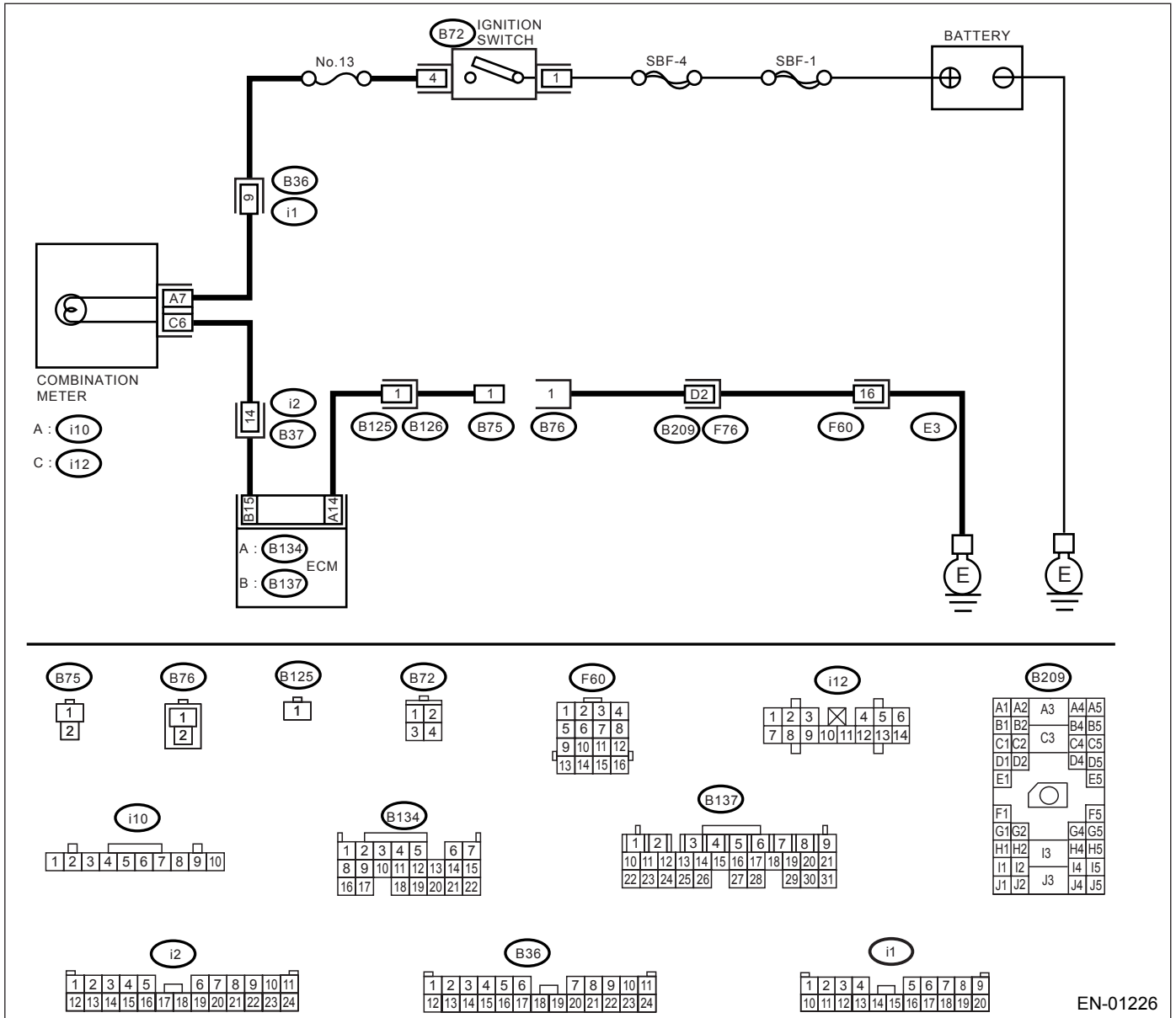
### • DIAGNOSIS:

- The CHECK ENGINE malfunction indicator lamp (MIL) circuit is open or shorted.
- Test mode connector circuit is open.

### • TROUBLE SYMPTOM:

- When in inspection mode, MIL does not blink at a cycle of 3 Hz.

### • WIRING DIAGRAM:



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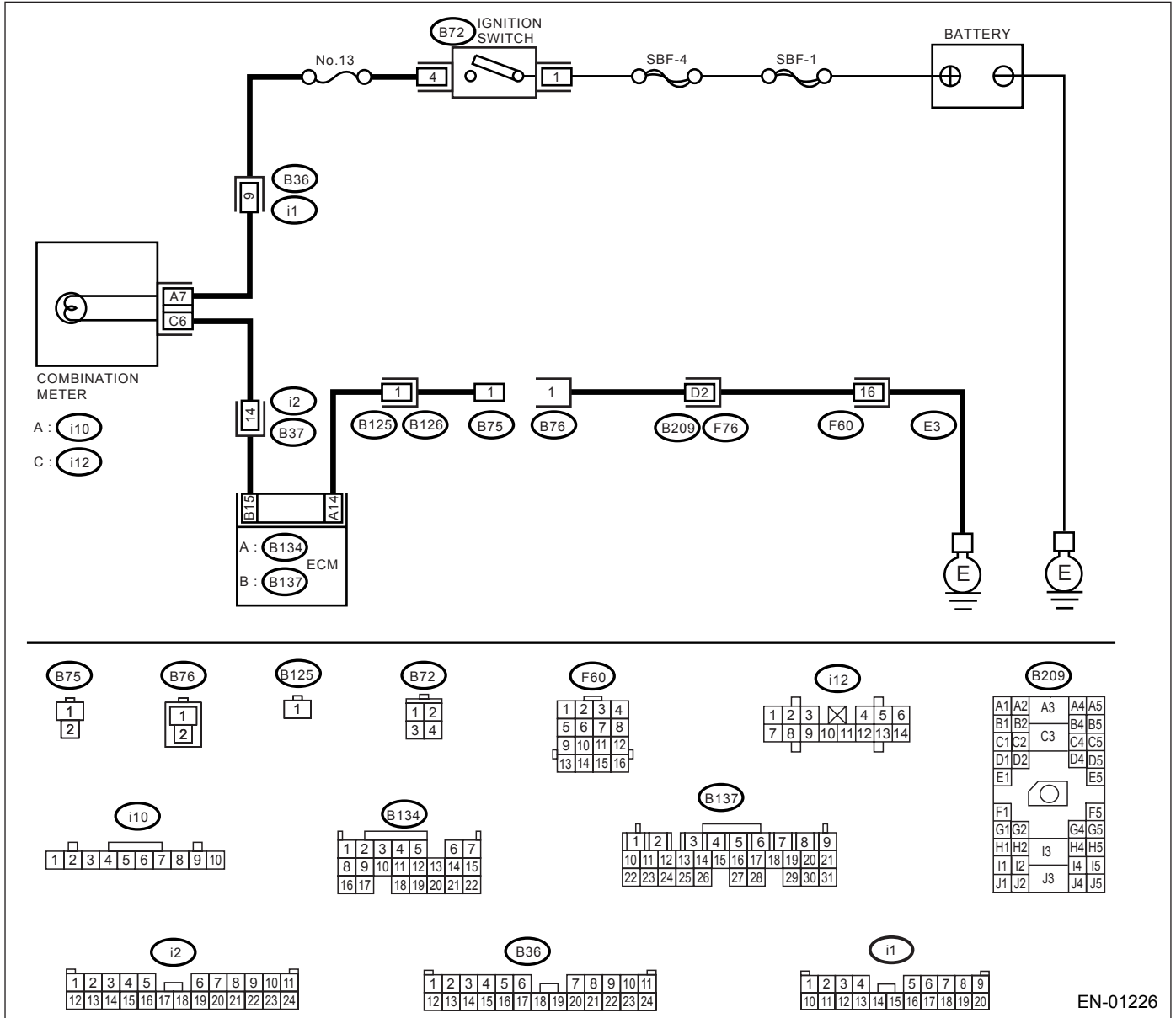
Step	Check	Yes	No
<b>1 CHECK STATUS OF CHECK ENGINE MALFUNCTION INDICATOR LAMP (MIL).</b> 1) Turn ignition switch to OFF. 2) Disconnect the test mode connector. 3) Turn ignition switch to ON. (engine OFF) Does the MIL illuminate?	MIL illuminates.	Go to step 2.	Repair the MIL circuit. <Ref. to EN(H4DOTC)-53, CHECK ENGINE MALFUNCTION INDICATOR LAMP (MIL) DOES NOT COME ON., Engine Malfunction Indicator Lamp (MIL).>
<b>2 CHECK HARNESS BETWEEN COMBINATION METER AND ECM CONNECTOR.</b> 1) Turn ignition switch to OFF. 2) Disconnect the connector from ECM. 3) Turn ignition switch to ON. Does the MIL illuminate?	MIL illuminates.	Repair short circuit to ground in harness between combination meter and ECM connector.	Go to step 3.
<b>3 CHECK HARNESS BETWEEN TEST MODE CONNECTOR AND CHASSIS GROUND.</b> 1) Turn ignition switch to OFF. 2) Disconnect the connector from ECM. 3) Measure the resistance of harness between test mode connector and chassis ground. <i><b>Connector &amp; terminal</b></i> <i><b>(B76) No. 1 — Chassis ground:</b></i> Is the measured value less than the specified value?	1 Ω	Go to step 4.	Repair harness and connector. NOTE: In this case, repair the following: • Open circuit in harness between test mode connector and chassis ground
<b>4 CHECK FOR POOR CONTACT.</b> Check for poor contact in ECM connector. Is there poor contact in ECM connector?	There is poor contact.	Repair poor contact in ECM connector.	Go to step 5.
<b>5 CHECK HARNESS BETWEEN ECM AND TEST MODE CONNECTOR.</b> 1) Connect the test mode connector. 2) Measure the resistance of harness between ECM and chassis ground. <i><b>Connector &amp; terminal</b></i> <i><b>(B134) No. 14 — Chassis ground:</b></i> Is the measured value less than the specified value?	1 Ω	Go to step 6.	Repair open circuit in harness between ECM and test mode connector.
<b>6 CHECK FOR POOR CONTACT.</b> Check for poor contact in ECM connector. Is there poor contact in ECM connector?	There is poor contact.	Repair poor contact in ECM connector.	Replace the ECM. <Ref. to FU(H4DOTC)-50, Engine Control Module.>

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## F: CHECK ENGINE MALFUNCTION INDICATOR LAMP (MIL) REMAINS BLINKING AT A CYCLE OF 3 HZ.

- **DIAGNOSIS:**
  - Test mode connector circuit is shorted.
- **TROUBLE SYMPTOM:**
  - MIL blinks at a cycle of 3 Hz when the ignition switch is turned to ON.
- **WIRING DIAGRAM:**



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Step	Check	Yes	No
<b>1</b> <b>CHECK TEST MODE CONNECTOR.</b> 1) Disconnect the test mode connector. 2) Turn ignition switch to ON. Does the MIL blink ON/OFF?	MIL blinks.	Go to step 2.	System is in good order.  NOTE: MIL blinks at a cycle of 3 Hz when test mode connector is connected.
<b>2</b> <b>CHECK HARNESS BETWEEN ECM CONNECTOR AND ENGINE GROUNDING TERMINAL.</b> 1) Turn ignition switch to OFF. 2) Disconnect the connector from ECM. 3) Measure the resistance of harness between ECM connector and chassis ground. <b>Connector &amp; terminal</b> <b>(B134) No. 14 — Chassis ground:</b> Is the measured value less than the specified value?	5 Ω	Repair short circuit in harness between ECM and test mode connector.	Replace the ECM. <Ref. to FU(H4DOTC)-50, Engine Control Module.>