

# FORCE II SYSTEM #17126

### 1988-1992 CHEVROLET/GMC 1500/2500 SERIES TRUCK

STANDARD CAB/LONG BED · 5.7L ENGINES

#### Removal:

- 1) Raise the vehicle up on a hoist or rack to working height. If you do not have access to a hoist or rack raise the vehicle and support securely with jack stands.
- 2) Using a hacksaw or sawsall, cut the stock tailpipe just behind the muffler.
- 3) With a 15mm wrench, unbolt the two "L" hangers that support the tailpipe. Remove the stock tailpipe assembly from under the vehicle.
- 4) With a 15mm wrench, remove the muffler clamp at the catalytic converter to muffler connection.
- 5) Unbolt the "L" hanger from the front of the muffler assembly.
- 6) Remove the muffler assembly from under the vehicle. (Note: Heating the inlet pipe connection with a torch or slicing the pipe may ease removal. USE EXTREME CAUTION.)

#### 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) <u>Install muffler inlet pipe</u> **#TB208** on the back of the catalytic converter. Make sure to align the notch in the pipe with the tab on the catalytic converter. Clamp lightly using one of the clamps provided. (Note: on 1988-1990 vehicles that use a stock two piece inlet pipe, it is necessary to use the adapter pipe **#TB216** between the catalytic converter and inlet pipe **#TB208**.)
- 3) Slip the muffler **#53073** onto the inlet pipe and support with a stand. Clamp lightly using one of the clamps provided.
- 4) Place pipe **#26004** into position over the axle and slip into the muffler outlet and hanger mount. Clamp lightly using one of the clamps provided.
- 5) Slip pipe **#26005** onto the end of pipe **#26004** and into rear hanger mount. Clamp lightly using one of the clamps provided.
- 6) Adjust the position of the muffler and pipes to produce a satisfactory fit. Keep suspension travel and vibration in mind. Tighten down all clamped connections securely.
- 7) 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.



## Installation diagram for: SYSTEM #17126

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