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### Comments on "An Error-Correcting System for Mobile Radio Data Transmission"

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**Abstract**—It is pointed out that, except for some minor changes, the above paper<sup>1</sup> is a true copy of an earlier correspondence by En, and that the code presented should not be recommended.

In the subject paper,<sup>1</sup> En presents a "new" rate one-half convolutional code, and he also claims that his code is one of the most efficient two-bit error-correcting codes "known to the author." Except for some minor changes, this paper is a true copy of a correspondence by En in 1977 [1].

In [2] the author showed that the system proposed by En should not be recommended, since another system exists which is superior to the one proposed by En. The reply from En is found in [3].

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### Correction to "Ignition Noise of Foreign and Domestic Vehicles in Use in the United States"

RICHARD A. SHEPHERD, MEMBER, IEEE

In the above paper,<sup>1</sup> the last paragraph on page 343 contains a sentence which reads:

"Individual vehicles do become suddenly noisy when their resistive ignition system cabling is replaced with nonresistive plugs."

The sentence should read:

"Individual vehicles do become suddenly noisy when their resistive ignition system cabling is replaced by solid metallic wiring or as resistive spark plugs are replaced with nonresistive plugs."

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<sup>1</sup> R. A. Shepherd and J. C. Gaddie, *IEEE Trans. Veh. Technol.*, vol. VT-29, pp. 338-345, Aug. 1980.