# **CIRCUIT OPERATION**

# **Speedometer**

The Vehicle Speed Sensor (X190) sends a signal to the speedometer in the form of voltage pulses. The pulses are filtered by a Vehicle Speed Sensor Buffer inside the speedometer. The voltage alternates between battery voltage and 0 volts 6 times per wheel revolution. The speed sensor signal is also sent to the Cruise Control ECU (Z121), Multifunction Unit (MFU) (Z148) (Persian Gulf States), and the Engine Control Module (Z132).

### **Tachometer**

The tachometer displays engine speed in rpm. Voltage pulses are taken from the Generator (Z106) and are generated when the engine drive belt turns the Generator pulley. The tachometer responds to the frequency of the voltage pulses, which increases proportionally to that of the engine speed.

# **Engine Coolant Temperature Gauge**

The Engine Coolant Temperature Sensor (X114) has approximately 136 ohms resistance when the coolant temperature is low. As coolant temperature increases, the resistance of the sensor decreases. This varying resistance causes the current through the sensor to change and the gauge to register the temperature. When the coolant is hot, the resistance of the sensor is approximately 17 ohms.

# **Fuel Gauge**

When the fuel tank level is low, the resistance of the fuel gauge sender is approximately 245 ohms. As the fuel level increases, the resistance of the sender decreases, causing the gauge to register the change. When the fuel tank is full, the resistance of the sender is approximately 19 ohms. When the fuel gauge sender's resistance falls below approximately 25 ohms (6 liters/1.5 US gallons), the fuel warning light will illuminate to warn the driver .

