PC-10 Chemical Limits Task Force

Report to HDEOCP

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Status Update

- Consensus has been reached on a set of Chemical Limits for the API Proposed Category PC-10:
 - Sulfated Ash (D874) 1.0% max
 - Phosphorus (D4951) 0.12% max
 - Sulfur (D4951 or D2622) 0.4% max
- The Task Force was unanimous in this conclusion

Status Update

- Some issues remain surrounding the Sulfur limit
 - Small data population exists to support both
 - the need to restrict Sulfur content to 0.4% max, or
 - that after-treatment device durability will be adequate at 0.4% Sulfur
 - Engine durability takes priority over potential after-treatment systems durability (per the Task Force Charter)
 - EMA member companies will design their engines and aftertreatment systems around lubricants meeting the agreed chemical limits and will support them (including the 0.4% sulfur maximum) for their 2007-2009 MY engines unless they encounter 'catastrophic problems'. 'Catastrophic problems' are defined as the inability to meet 2007 emissions standards despite good faith efforts to resolve any issues with after-treatment technology changes before requesting any lubricant changes

Next Steps

- Exit Criteria Ballot by HDEOCP
 - Request no 'Abstains"
 - Fast turn-around (10day?) so the task force can access and analyze the results
- Task Force Meeting at June ASTM to discuss Exit Criteria Ballot results