

# ESCIT

## Afton Catalyst Test and Other Related Issues for GF-5

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# ACT Goals and Conditions

## Quick Overview

- Goals
  - Discern relevance of PEI250 to catalyst protection
  - Develop knowledge base for volatility-related engine oil properties on catalyst protection
- Test Conditions
  - 240-hour test in “flush and run” 4.6L Ford V8
  - 10 oil changes
  - Steady-state aging at moderate catalyst inlet temperatures
    - 550C catalyst inlet temperature
  - 150C oil temperature
  - 122C coolant temperature
  - Catalysts tested before and after aging
    - “T50” calculated

# Since last update

- Completed testing on zero-phos field test oil and compiled results.
- Evaluated oils with volatility level of GF-4 chemistry
- Developing possible recommendations for ESCIT

# New and Aged Oil Properties

NEW

	FT Oil 32	FT Oil 33	FT Oil 34
	RB10357	RB10358	RB10360
NOACK, %	21	21	21
PEI250, mg/L	15	46	0
ZDDP Type	A	A	A
Ca, ppm	984	0	973
Mg, ppm	673	0	678
Na, ppm	200	201	195
P, ppm	949	932	0
Zn, ppm	1065	1055	1082

	High PEI	Low PEI
	RB10331	RB10332
	15	15
	90	11
	B	A
	2107	2139
	0	0
	0	0
	1005	1019
	1174	1159

AGED

Element	RB10357	RB10358	RB10360
Ca, ppm	1443	0	1244
Mg, ppm	1006	0	856
Na, ppm	301	277	261
P, ppm	1006	944	6
Zn, ppm	1337	1365	1345

	RB10331	RB10332
	2508	2503
	0	0
	0	0
	990	973
	1316	1203

# Loss of Conversion Efficiency (T50)

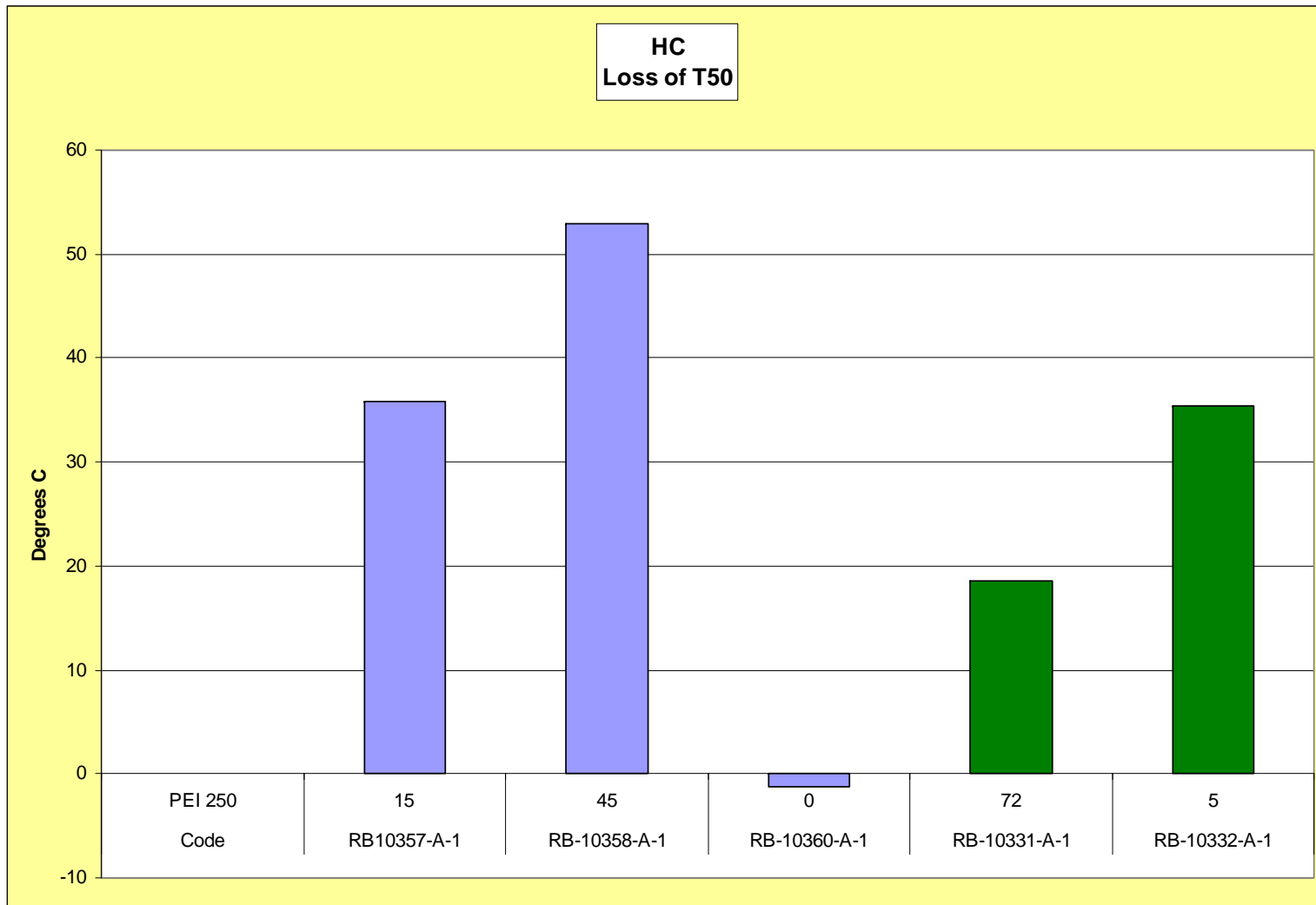
As measured by the increase in temperature where 50% conversion efficiency occurs

Oil Code	GF-2-Style FT Oils			GF-4-Volatility PEI Comparison Oils	
	FT 32	FT33	FT34	RB10331	RB10332
PEI250, mg/L	15	46	0	90	11
Pollutant					
HC	36	53	-1	19	35
CO	37	57	9	28	66
NOx	34	53	6	28	60

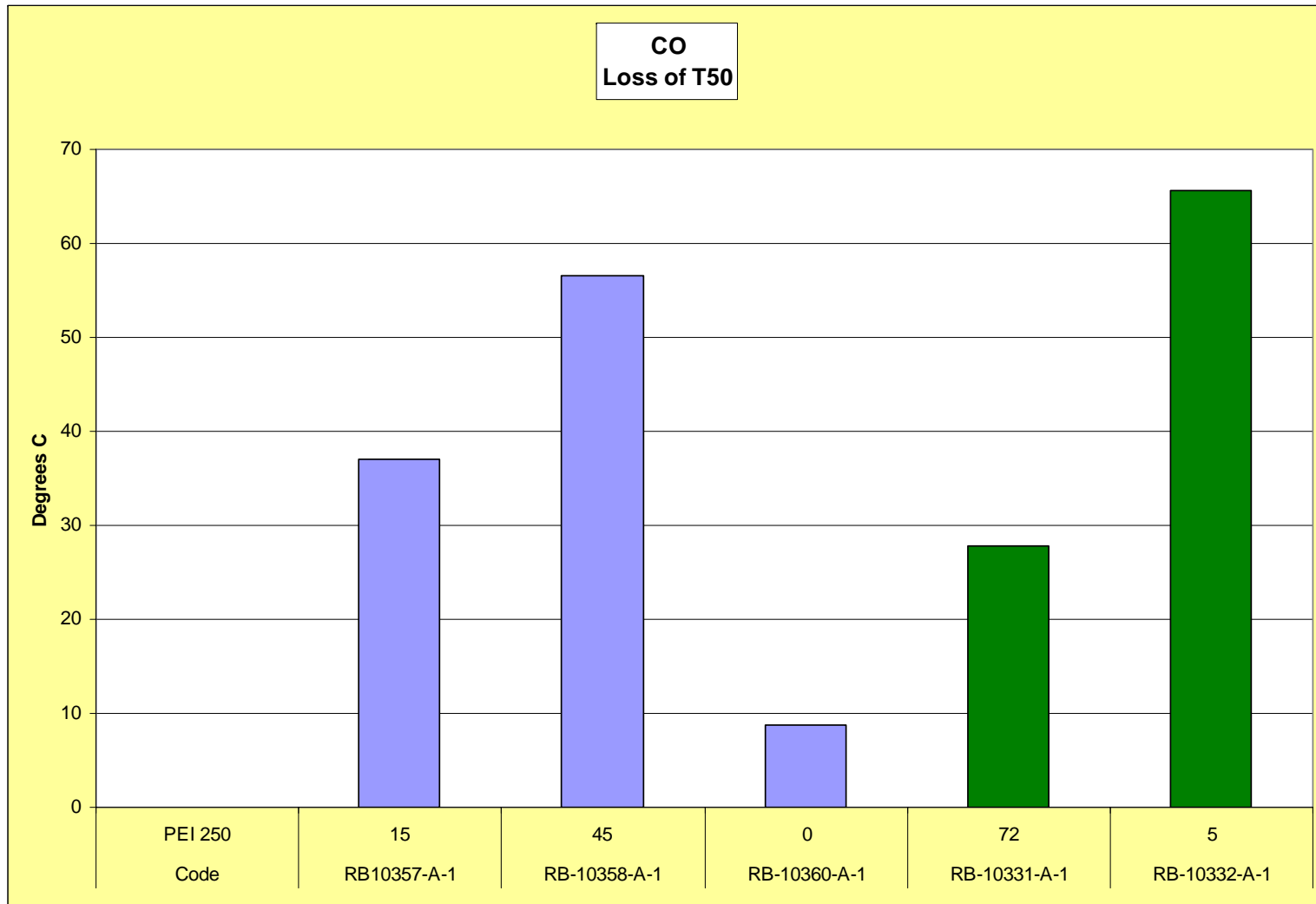
✓ GF-2 Field Test oils were ranked according to Ford/Afton/Delphi SAE Paper.

X High PEI RB10331 had better performance than low PEI RB10332

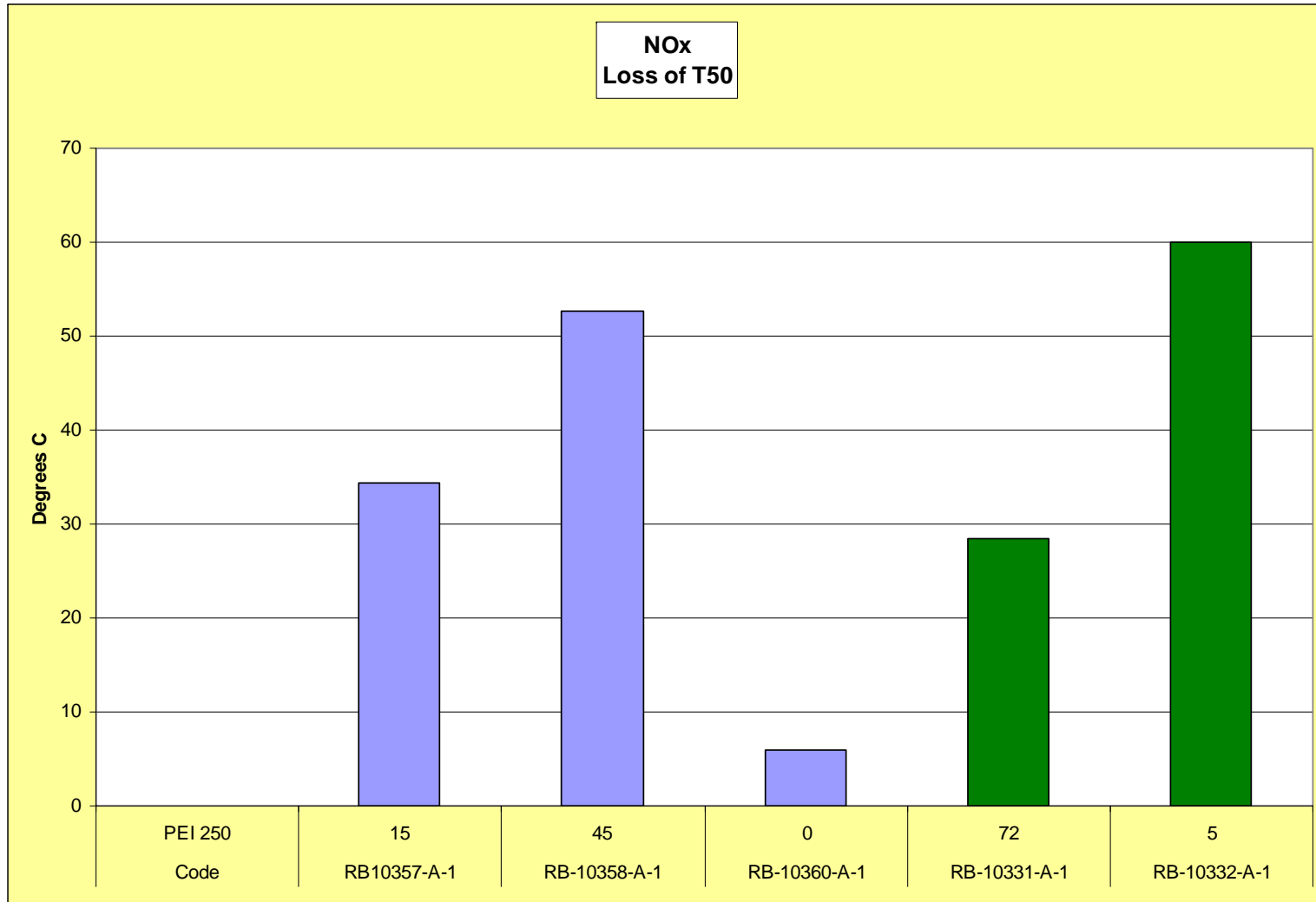
# T50 Hydrocarbon Comparison



# T50 Carbon Monoxide Comparison



# T50 NOx Comparison





# Calculated Phosphorus Retention

From SAE 2002-01-2680

Calculation for % phos retention:  $(Ca_{new} / Ca_{hrx}) * (Phos_{hrx} / Phos_{new}) * 100$

## Calculated phosphorus retention\*

Based on Element	RB10357	RB10358	RB10360	RB10331	RB10332
Phos Retention (Zn)	84.4	78.3	N/A	87.9	92.0
Phos Retention (Ca)	72.3	N/A	N/A	82.8	81.6

✓ Zero-detergent GF-2 oil (RB10358) retained less Phos

X High PEI250 GF-4 oil (RB10331) performed similarly to Low PEI

# Phosphorus Depletion Mechanisms

- Consistent with SAE 2004-01-2909, analysis of blowby condensate from ACT suggests at least three mechanisms for phosphorus depletion occurring in the engine
  - Volatilization of phosphorus from bulk oil
  - Volatilization of phosphorus from cylinder wall oil film
  - Consumption of oil mist
- Phosphorus throughput and resulting catalyst poisoning is a complicated mechanism dependent on oil formulation variables in addition to phosphorus volatility

# Conclusions

- No strong evidence that  $PEI_{250}$  relates to increased phosphorus throughput and resulting catalyst poisoning
- $PEI_{250}$  does not appear to be related to phosphorus retention when fully-formulated oils are considered.
- No indication that “Phos Retention” is related to catalyst protection
- Alkaline-earth metal detergents are carried out with blowby to varying degrees. In Afton testing the high  $PEI_{250}$  oil carried out the most detergent chemistry.
- Observation in SAE 2002-01-2680 about elevated  $PEI_{250}$  leading to increased catalyst poisoning is most likely related to lack of detergent.

# Forward Plan

- Afton to work cooperatively with Savant, Inc to develop bench testing methodology that correlates with ACT and field.
- Goal is to have proposal for ESCIT by end of 2006.
- Note: Afton is willing to test limited number of outside oils with field data in ACT, in conjunction with SAVANT, with input from ESCIT.