Sequence IIIH Task Force to Improve Precision

1/13/2016

summary of discussions held on 12/16, 12/22, 1/6, and 1/12

Review of followup test by Lab D on RO434

- continued mild result
- in depth data review comparing operational data
- no apparent relationship with any measured parameter
- CONCLUSION: the source of the variability is with a parameter either not being measured, or not being measured accurately
- ACTION: continue to search for the source of variability (in process)

Discussion about stand differences

- ACTION: Ed to send photos of stand and engine (done)
- ACTION: Labs to provide photos of crankcase ventilation system (done)
- CONCLUSION: Discovered differences between labs that might affect the restriction and flow of blowby gas
- ACTION: task force to revise procedure to standardize the hardware
- Ed feels that other parts of the test stand and engine should also be reviewed
- ACTION: labs to provide photos of entire stand for review by the TF (in process)

Discussion about engine operation difficulties

- Several labs have experienced issues with engine "de-rate" or "limp home mode"
- ACTION: need Chrysler's help to understand problem and implement a robust solution (in process)
- ACTION: labs to capture ECU parameters by monitoring the CANbus (in process)
- ACTION: need Chrysler's help to capture proprietary parameters related to oil pressure, oil temp, and oil
 pressure solenoid position (in process)

Discussion regarding engine build differences

- CONCLUSION: Round robin measurements of cylinder bore diameter and surface finish show minor differences; measurement resolution may prohibit a more thorough understanding
- ACTION ITEM: labs to bore/hone a block and send to Jeff Betz at Chrysler for measurement
- ACTION ITEM: review of the surface finish data suggests that new limits need to be established for Rz and Rzk to address consistently out of spec measurements

Discussion on engine swapping between labs

- ACTION: the group suggested that SWRI should build an engine that Afton would run which might reveal whether the severity issue is engine-build or test operation related (12/22)
- During the 1/6 Seq III SP call Afton voiced their concern that the test would not be valuable
- ACTION: on 1/8 an alternate suggestion was offered by LZ to run an engine built by Afton
- During the 1/12 TF call Afton believed that continued review of the test stands should be done first

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