


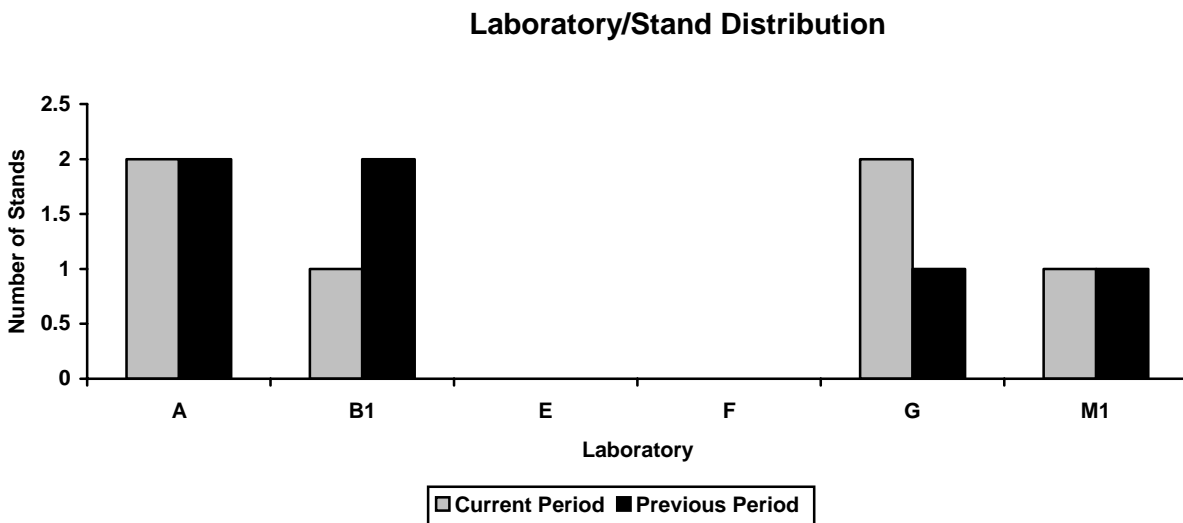
Memorandum: 06-016
 Date: April 12, 2006
 To: William M. Nahumck, Chairman, Sequence IIIF Surveillance Panel
 From: Richard E. Grundza 
 Subject: Sequence IIIF Semiannual Report: October 1, 2005 through March 31, 2006

The following is a summary of Sequence IIIF reference tests that were reported to the Test Monitoring Center during the period October 1, 2005 through March 31, 2006.

Lab/Stand Distribution

	Reporting Data	Calibrated as of March 31, 2006
Number of Laboratories:	4	3
Number of Test Stands:	6	5

The following chart shows the laboratory/stand distribution:

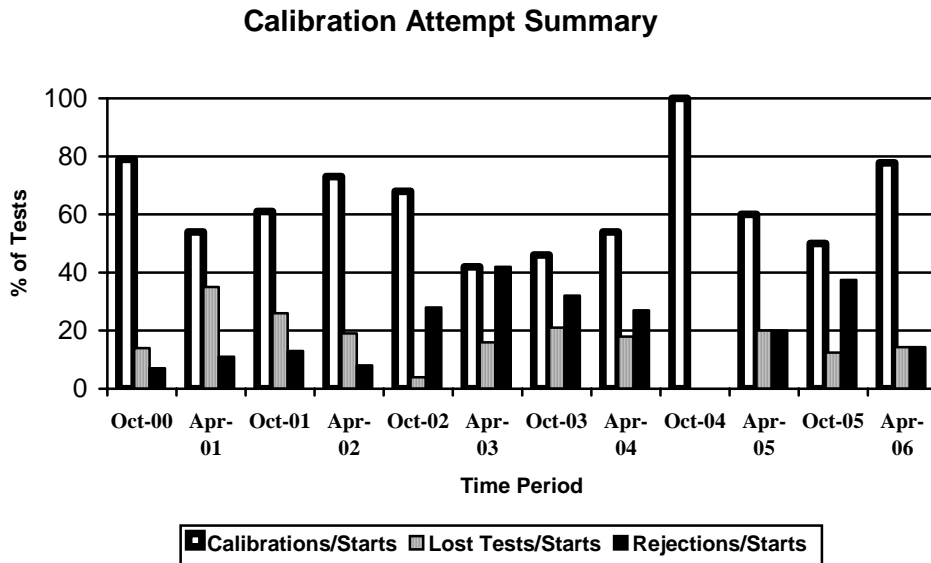


The following summarizes the status of the reference oil tests reported to the TMC:

Calibration Start Outcomes	TMC Validity Codes	No. of Tests
Operationally and Statistically Acceptable	AC	7
Failed Acceptance Criteria	OC	1
Operationally Invalid (Laboratory Judgment)	LC	1
Total		9

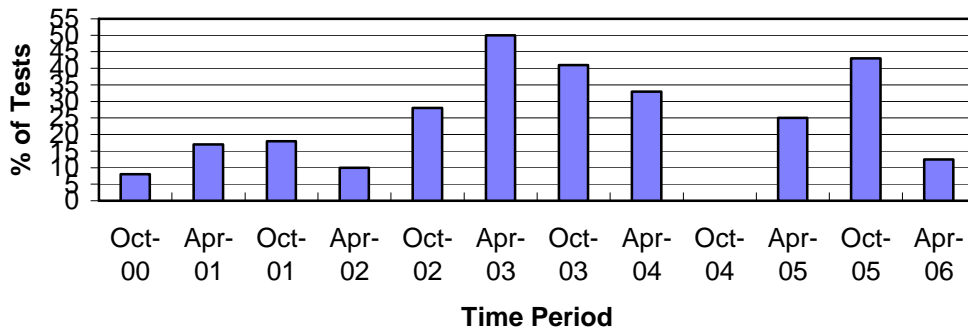
Donated & Industry Support Outcomes	TMC Validity Codes	No. of Tests
Decoded Oil	OG	0
Total		0

Calibrations per start, lost tests per start and rejection rates are summarized below:



The calibration per start rate and lost test per start rates have increased, while the rejected test rate has decreased with respect to the previous period. All rates for the period compare well with historical rates.

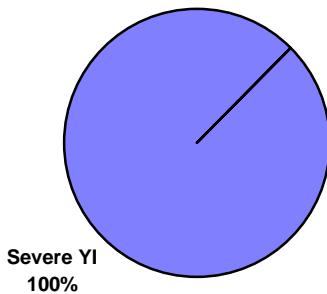
Rejected Test Rate for Operationally Valid Tests



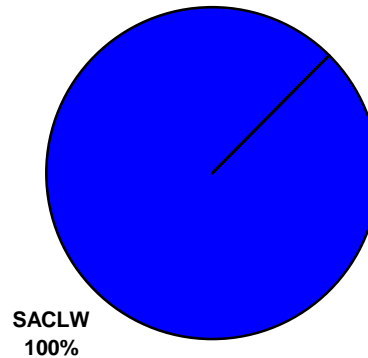
The rate of rejection of operationally valid tests has decreased from last period.

One test failed acceptance criteria this period. The following charts summarize the reasons and breakdown by parameter for the failed test:

Distribution of LTMS Stand Alarms



Distribution of Stand Alarms by Parameter



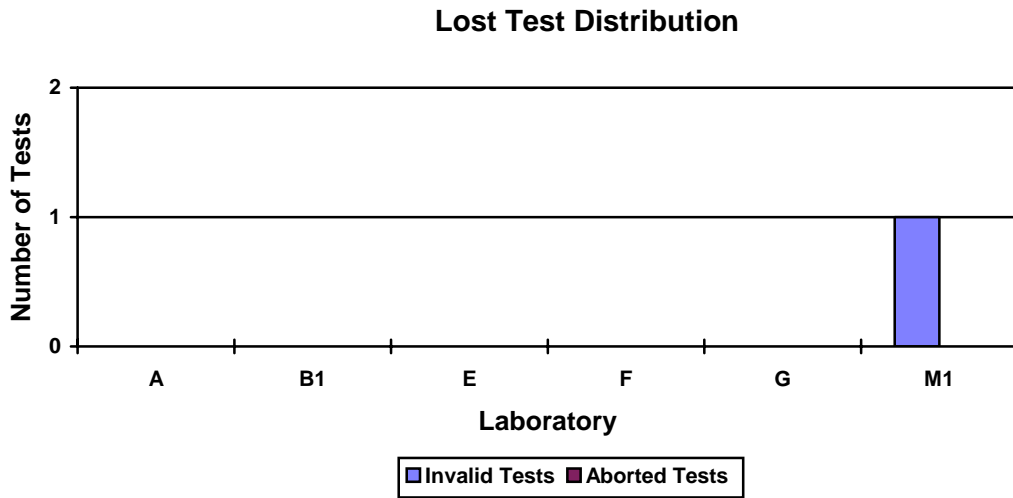
There were no LTMS Deviations written this period. There have been four deviations from the LTMS since its introduction in June of 2000.

No Sequence IIIF lab visits were performed this period.

Lost Test Summary

One test was lost this period. The reason for the lost test is shown in the following table:

Lab	Reason for Lost Test	Number of Tests	Breakdown of Tests (LC/RC/XC/MC)
M1	Load Cell Calibration Error	1	1/0/0/0



Information Letters

Sequence IIIF Information Letter No. 05-3 Sequence No. 19, was issued during the period on November 29, 2005, and contained: Revisions to requirements for attendance to rater workshops and allows the use of torque wrench ETW-E180.

Severity and Precision Analysis

Below is a summary of the average Δ/s , pooled standard deviation, and average Δ in reported units for the tests reported during this period. Also below is a summary of the average Δ/s value, by parameter, for all laboratories reporting data during this period.

Industry Severity Summary			
Parameter	Average Δ/s	Pooled standard deviation (degrees of freedom)	Average Δ , in reported units
PVIS	0.701	0.016 (df=7)	79.5% Viscosity Increase ¹
APV	0.095	0.22 (df=7)	0.02 Merits
WPD	0.883	0.22 (df=7)	0.19 Merits
PV60 ²	-1.084	0.17 (df=7)	-49.6% Viscosity Increase ³

¹ At the GF-3 Pass Limit of 275% Viscosity Increase

² Not a pass/fail parameter in the Sequence IIIF test; Sequence IIIFHD use only

³ At the CH-4 Pass Limit of 295% Viscosity Increase @ 60 Hours; Sequence IIIFHD use only.

Average Δ/s Results, by Laboratory				
Laboratory	PVIS	APV	WPD	PV60
A	-0.53	-0.86	0.51	0.13
B1	1.05	0.72	0.75	-1.61
E	-	-	-	-
F	-	-	-	-
G	1.15	-0.45	0.77	-0.81
M1	1.13	0.97	1.50	-2.05

Percent Viscosity Increase (PVIS)

The industry severity and precision were in control for the period (see Figure 1). Industry performance was mild for the period, with an average Δ/s value of 0.701 for the period (see Figures 1 & 5), which equates to a shift of 79.5 % in reported units. Precision for the period has degraded with respect to the previous period (see Figure 9).

Weighted Piston Deposits (WPD)

The industry began the period within limits for severity, but ended the period with four warning alarms (see Figure 2). Industry began the period with two precision warning alarms, but came back in control for the remainder. Industry was mild for the period with an average Δ/s value of 0.883, or 0.19 merits (see Figure 6). Precision for the period has improved when compared with the previous period with a pooled standard deviation of 0.22 (see Figure 10).

Average Piston Skirt Varnish (APV)

Industry severity was in control for the period. With the exception of a warning alarm at the beginning of the period, precision was in control for the period. (see Figure 3). The industry was on or near target 0.02 merits mild for the period with an average Δ/s value of 0.095 (see Figure 7). Precision has improved with respect to the previous period with a standard deviation of 0.22 (see Figure 11).

Average Camshaft-plus-Lifter Wear (ACLW)/Screened Average Camshaft-plus-Lifter Wear (SACLW)

One test failed during the period on SACLW in the severe direction

Percent Viscosity Increase at 60 Hours

The industry control chart for PV60 is shown in Figure 4. The average Δ/s and pooled standard deviation for this period, and previous report periods, are shown in Figures 8 and 12 respectively. This parameter is not a pass-fail parameter in the Sequence IIIF test and is used only in Sequence IIIFHD testing. Therefore, the industry control charts are presented for information purposes only and any alarms shown on those charts do not require action by the Sequence IIIF Surveillance Panel. A review of Figure 4 shows that the industry trended mild for the period, in severity warning or action alarm the entire period.

QI Deviations

There were no QI Deviations written this period. There have been a total of 25 QI Deviations written since the test was introduced in June of 2000.

Hardware

No significant hardware change occurred this report period

Reference Oils

Oil	TMC Inventory, in gallons	TMC Inventory, in tests (4 gal/test)	Laboratory Inventory, in tests	Estimated life
1006	43	10	10	Not currently used in IIF ¹
1006-2	4,681	1170	5	~3+ years ¹
1007	474	118	9	Not currently used in IIF ²
1008	29	7	8	No longer shipped ¹
1008-1	1,445	361	3	~3+ years ¹
1009	834	208	11	Not currently used in IIF ¹
432	118	29	10	Not currently used in IIF
433	10	2	2	No longer shipped
433-1	467	141	6	~3+ years

¹ Multiple test area reference oil; total TMC inventory shown

² Not reblendable

Introduction of the GF-3 Category Oil, Reference Oil 1009, has been tabled indefinitely.

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Attachments

c: F. M. Farber, TMC

Sequence IIF Surveillance Panel

<ftp://ftp.astmtmc.cmu.edu/docs/gas/sequenceiii/semiannualreports/IIF-04-2006.pdf>

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List of Figures

- Figures 1, 2, 3, and 4 are EWMA severity and precision control charts and also the CUSUM Δ/s plots of PVIS, WPD, APV, and PV60, annotated with date lines, using the same data set as the EWMA severity and precision control charts. Transformed units are used, when appropriate.
- Figures 5, 6, 7, and 8 are bar charts of average Δ/s , by report period, for PVIS, WPD, APV, and PV60.
- Figures 9, 10, 11, and 12 are bar charts of pooled standard deviation, by report period, for PVIS, WPD, APV, and PV60.
- Figure 13 is the Sequence IIIIF Timeline.

Figure 1

SEQUENCE IIIF INDUSTRY OPERATIONALLY VALID DATA

VISCOSITY INCREASE FINAL ORIG UNIT RES

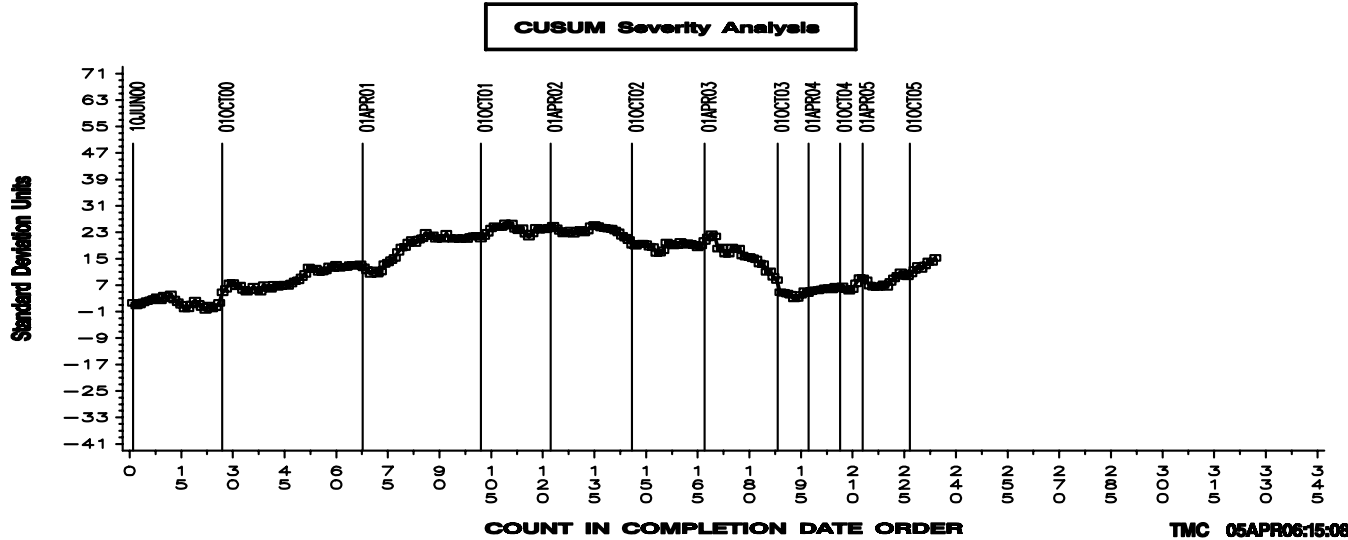
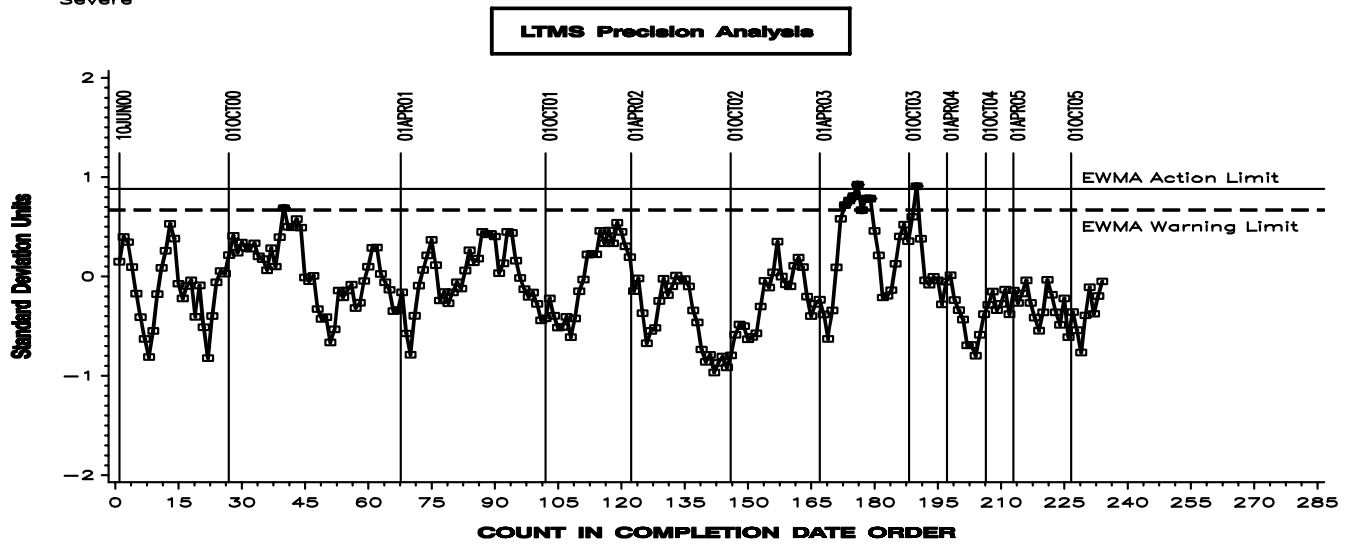
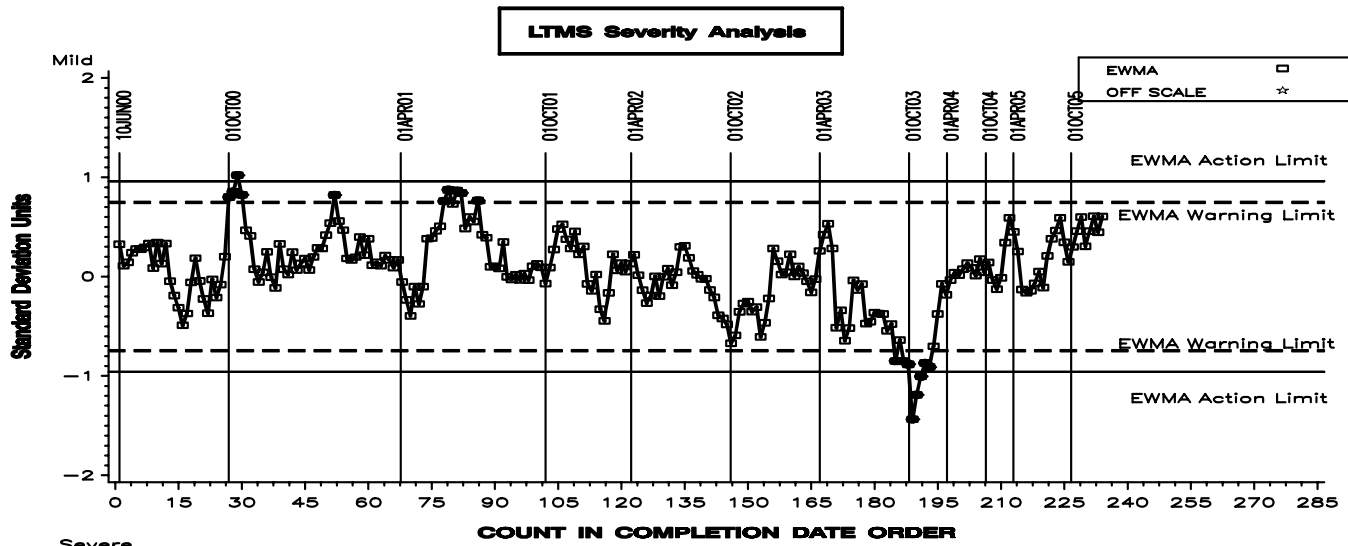


Figure 2

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AVERAGE WEIGHTED PISTON DEPOSITS FNL ORIG UNIT RES

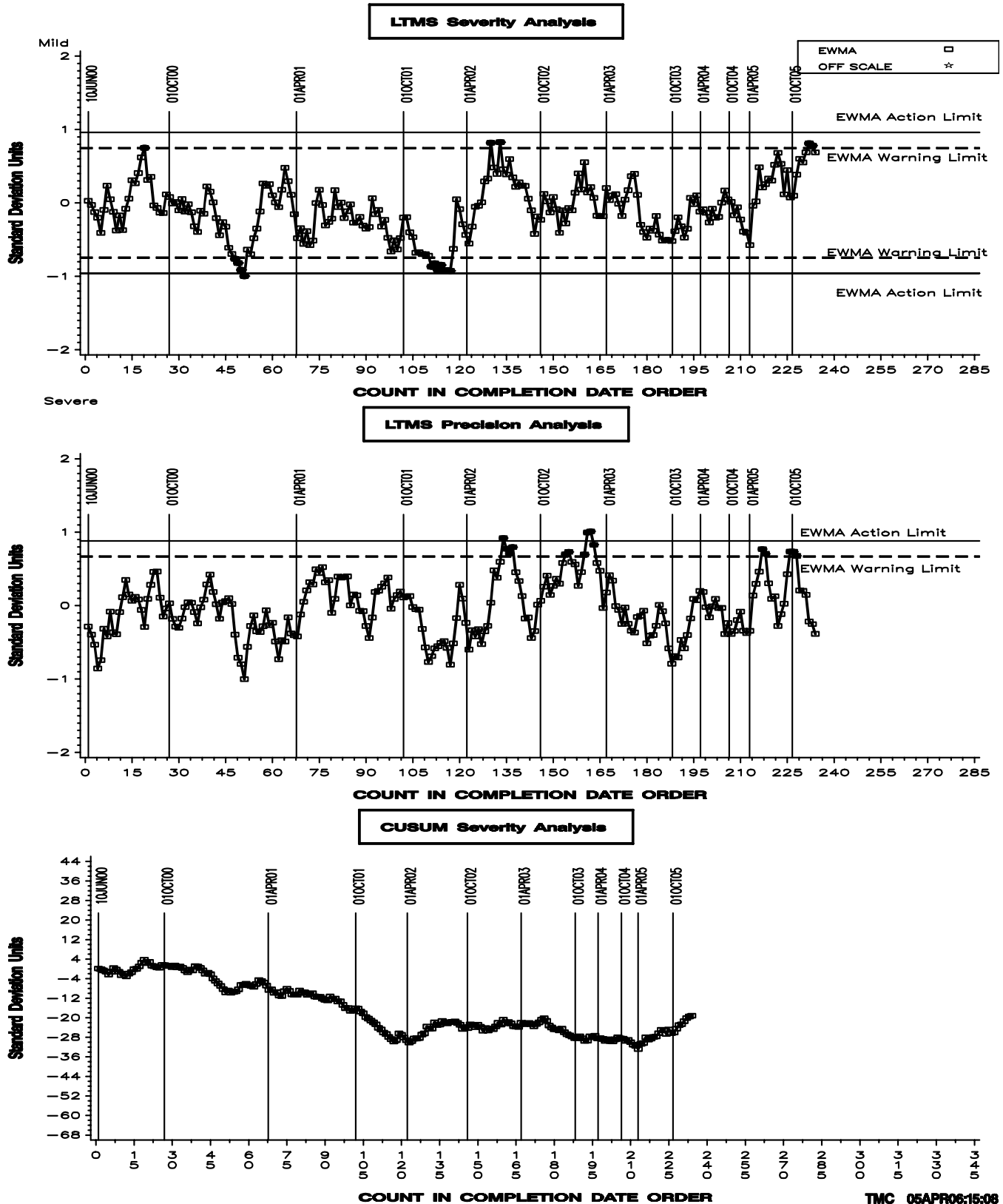


Figure 3

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AVERAGE PISTON SKIRT VARNISH FINAL ORIG UNIT RES

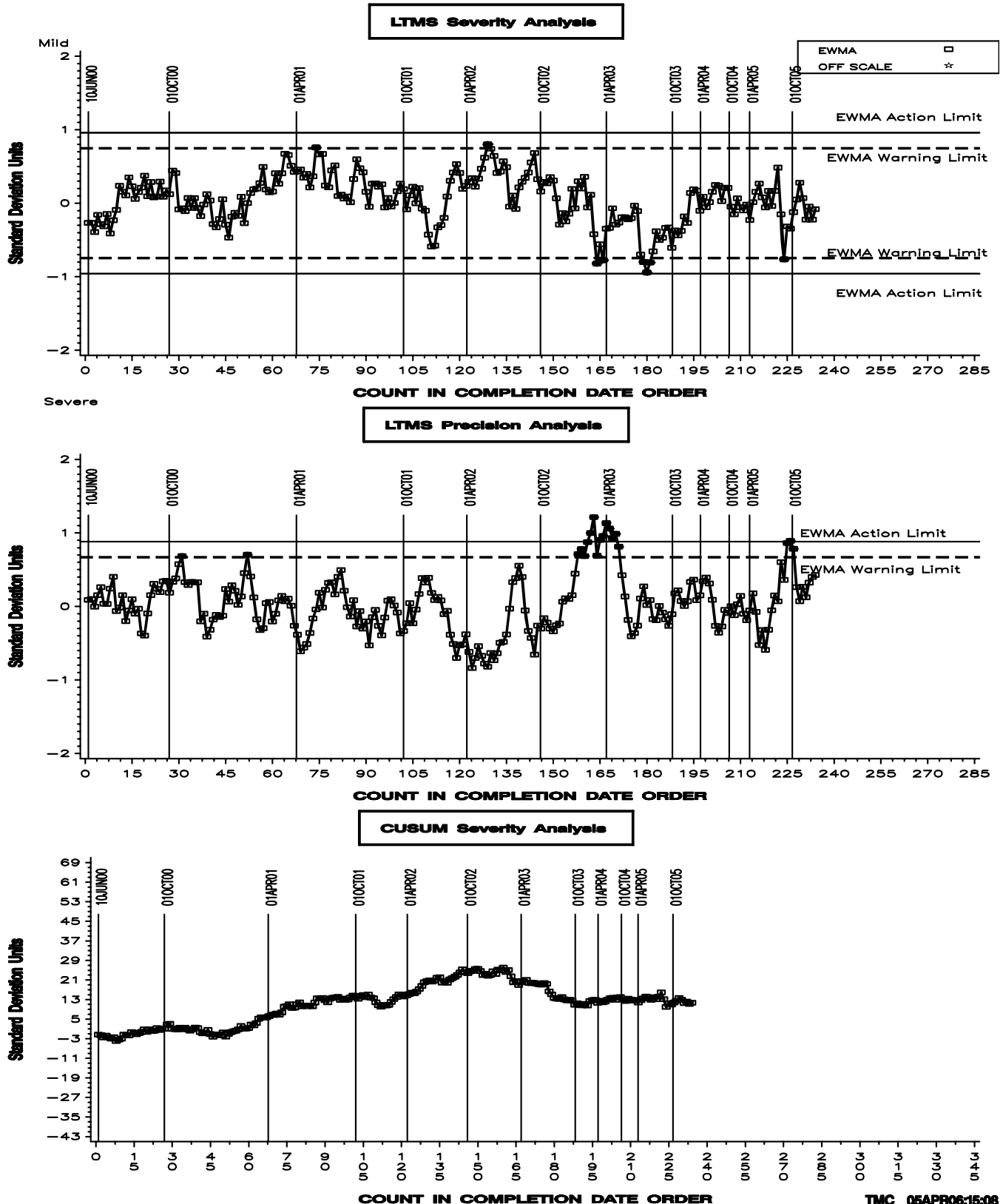


Figure 4

SEQUENCE IIIF INDUSTRY OPERATIONALLY VALID DATA

% VISCOSITY INCREASE @ 060 HOURS

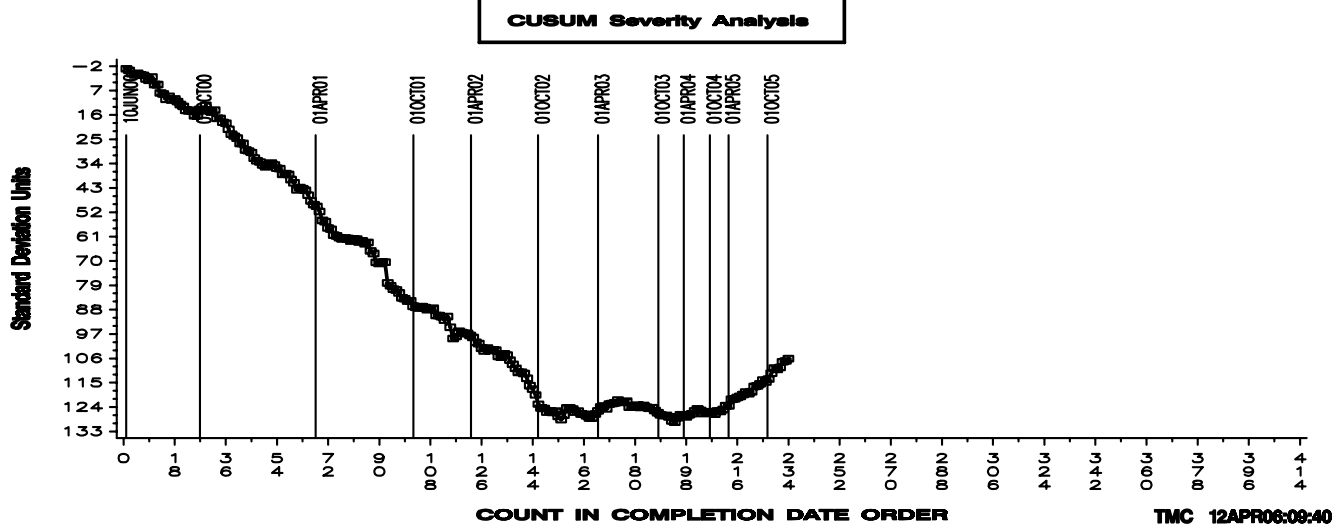
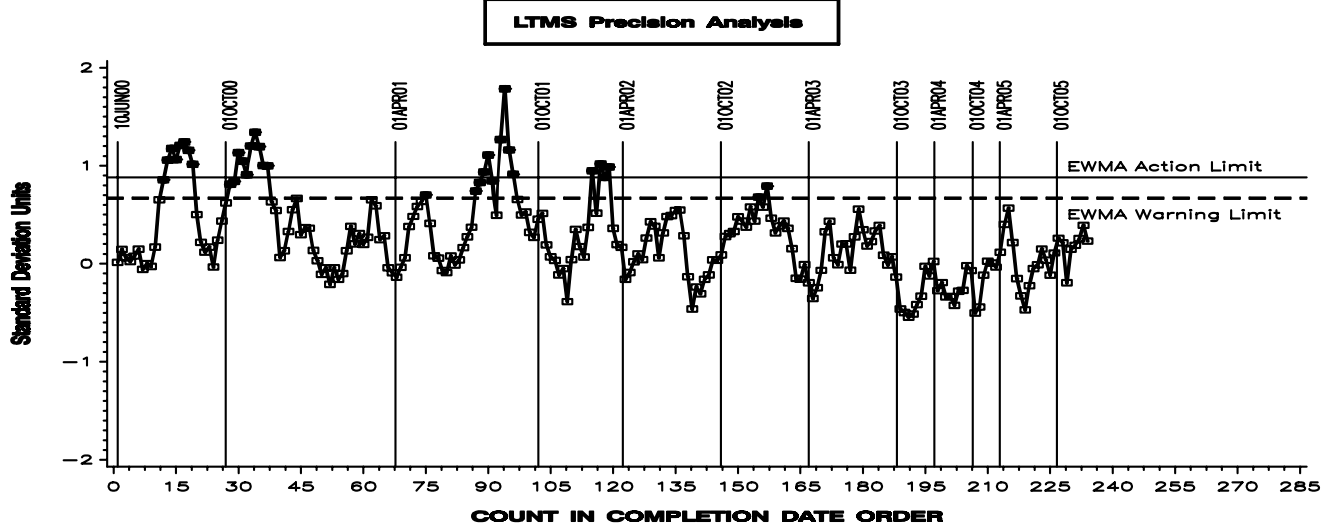
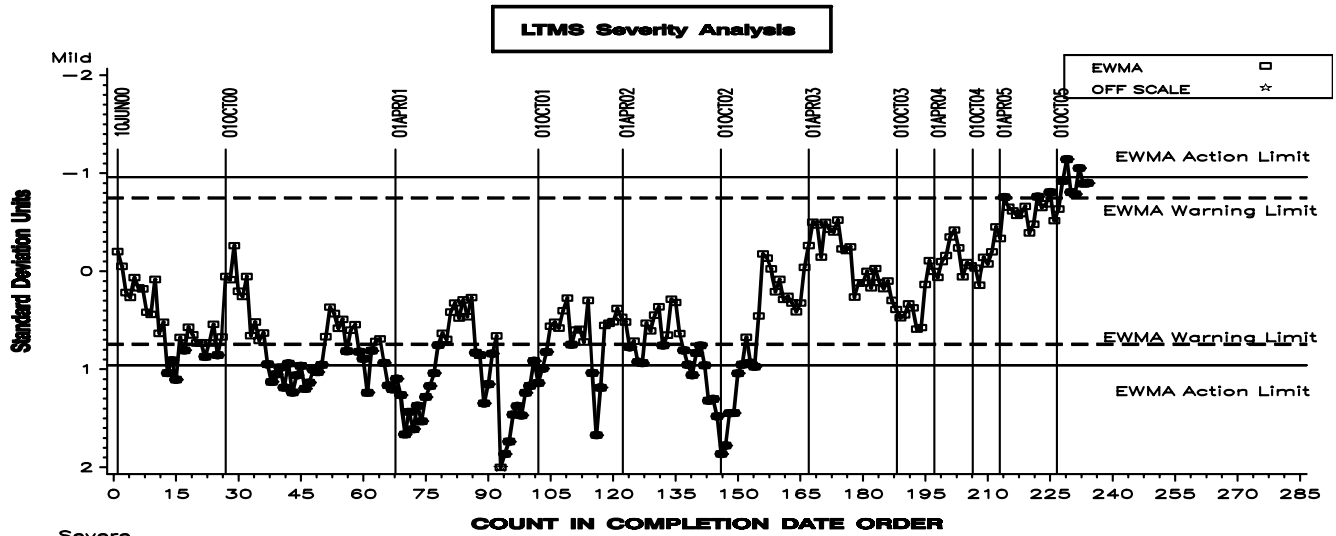


Figure 5 - Percent Viscosity Increase, Average Delta/s

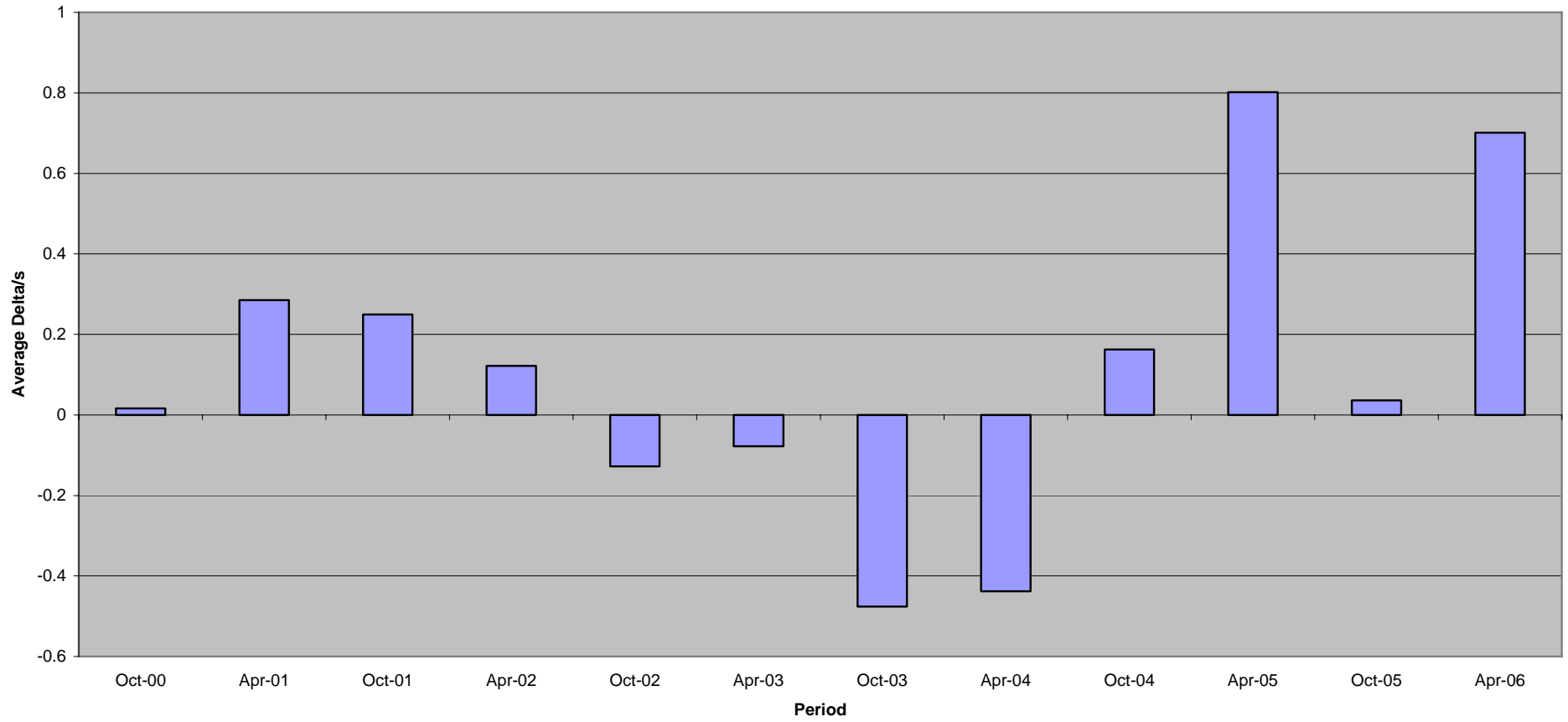


Figure 6 - Weighted Piston Deposits, Average Delta/s

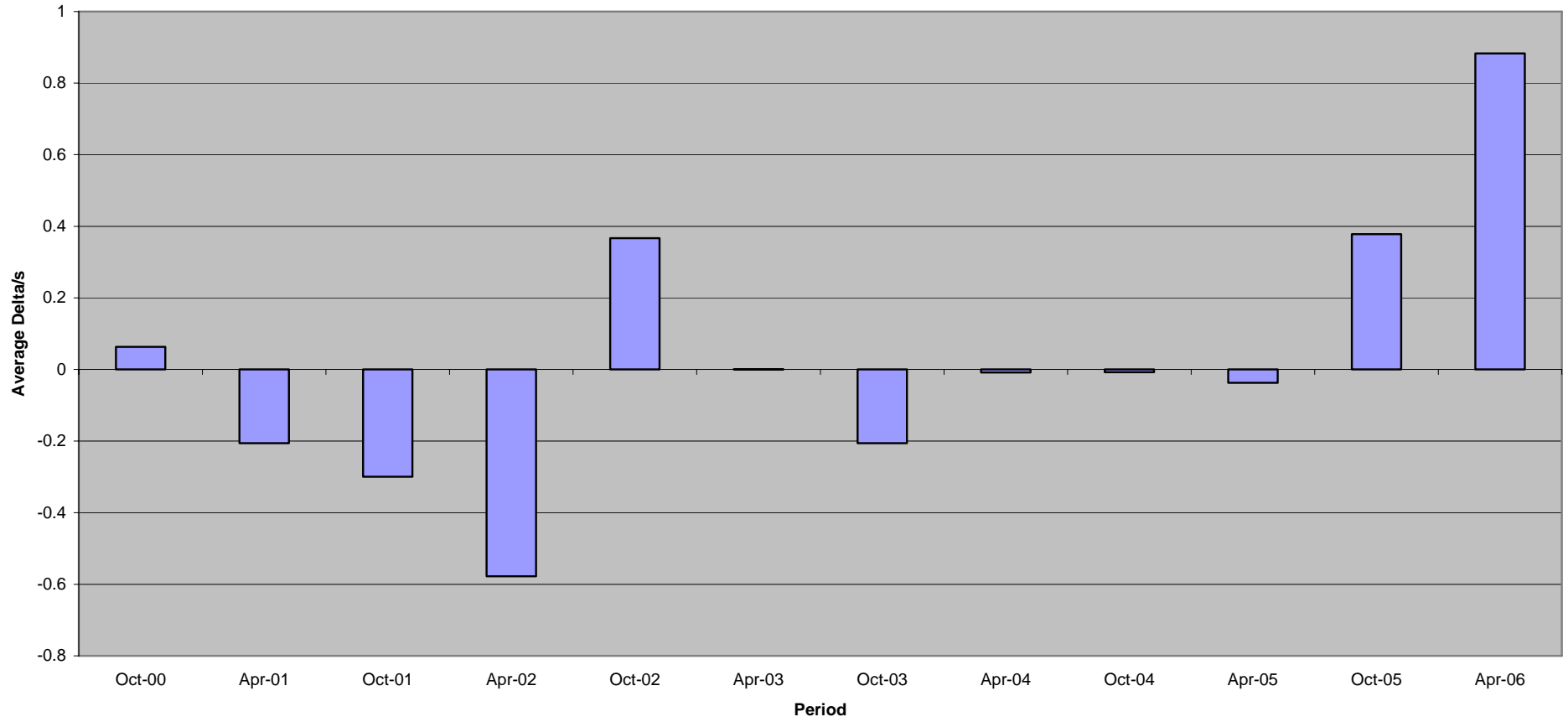


Figure 7 - Average Piston Varnish, Average Delta/s

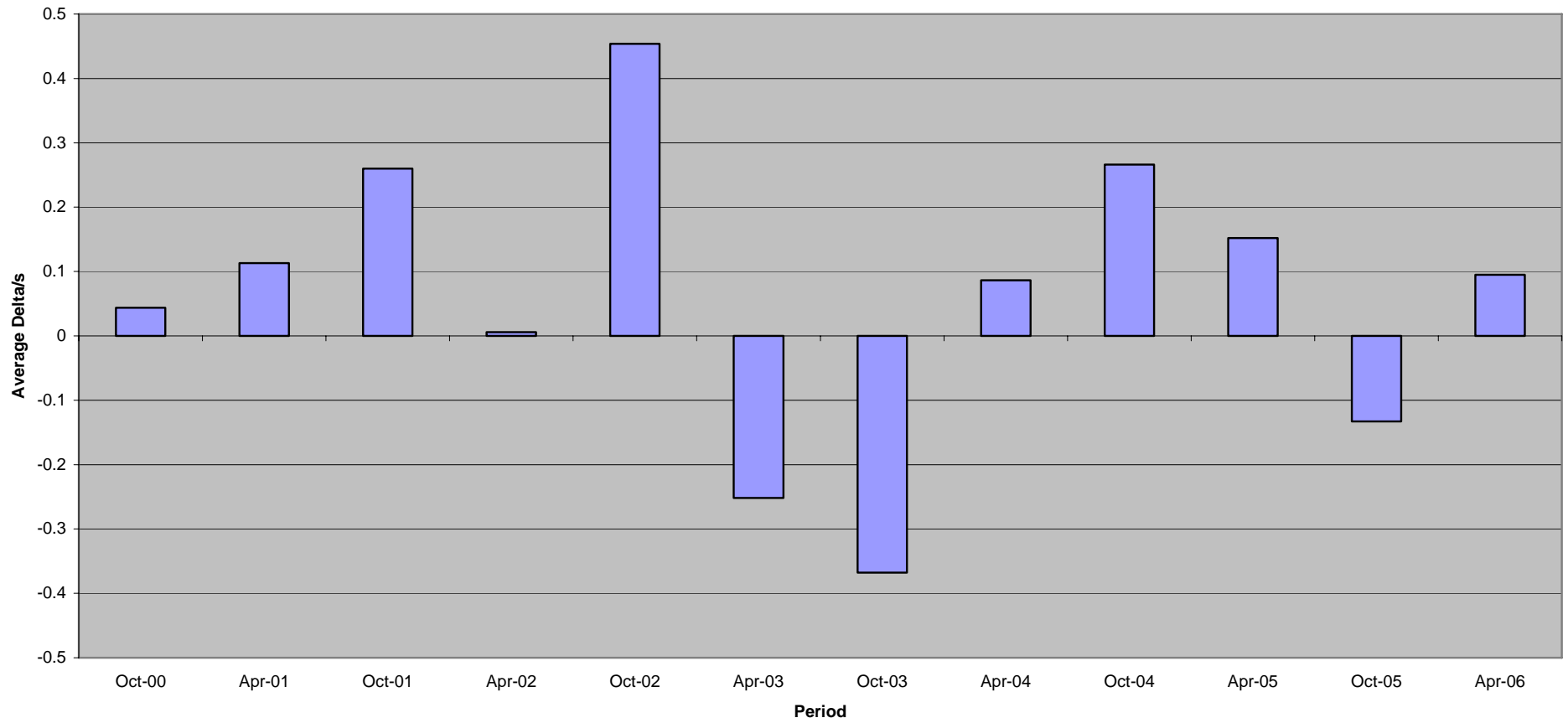


Figure 8 - Percent Viscosity Increase @ 60 Hours (Sequence III FHD), Average Delta/s

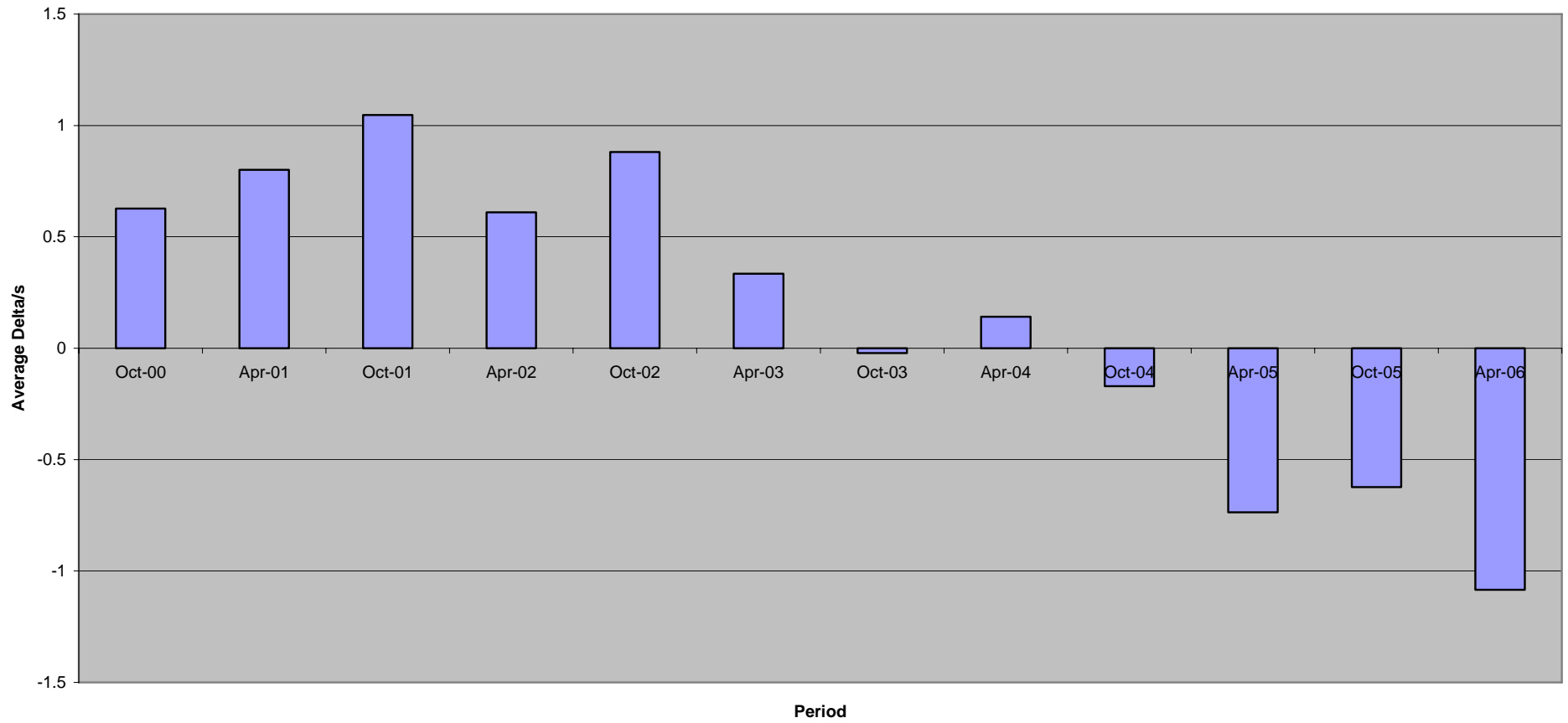


Figure 9 - Percent Viscosity Increase, Pooled Standard Deviation

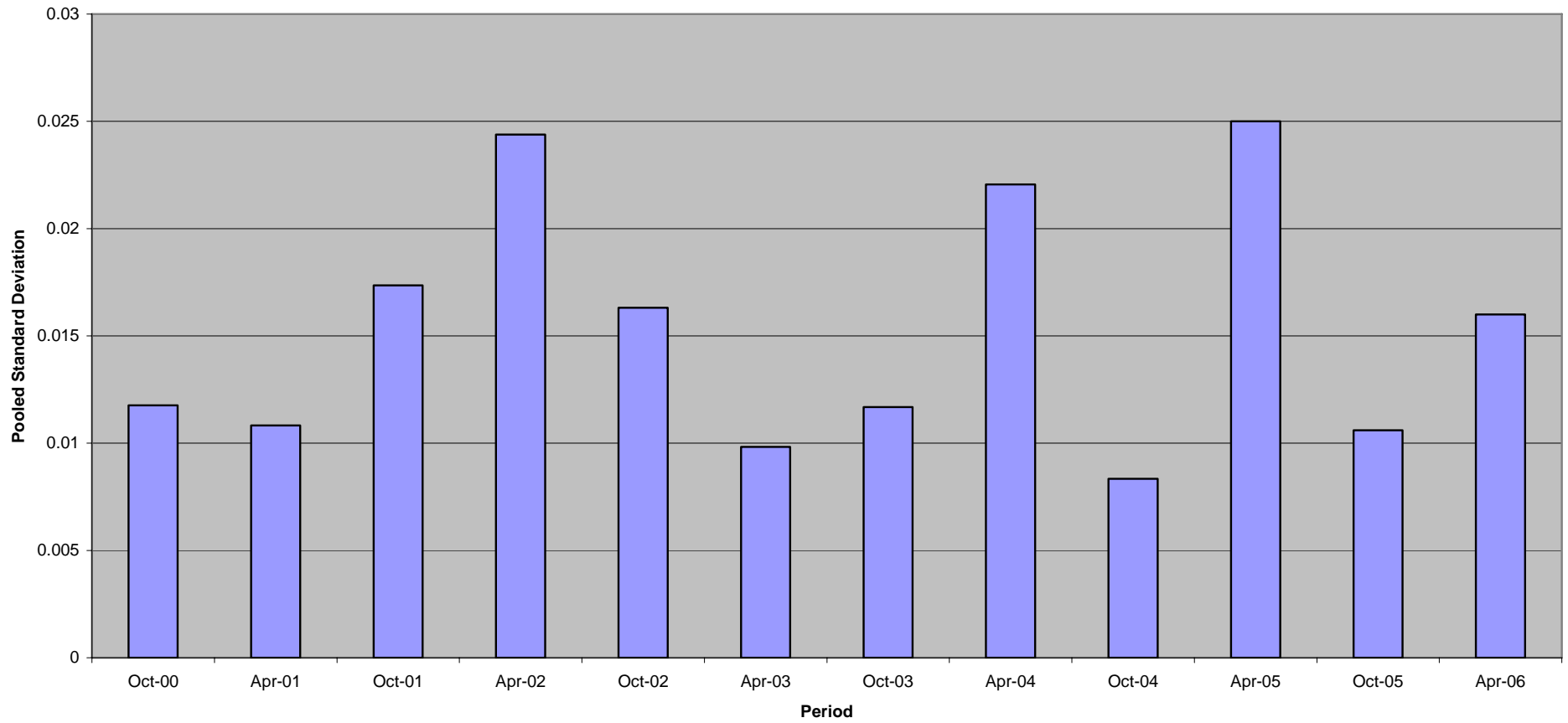


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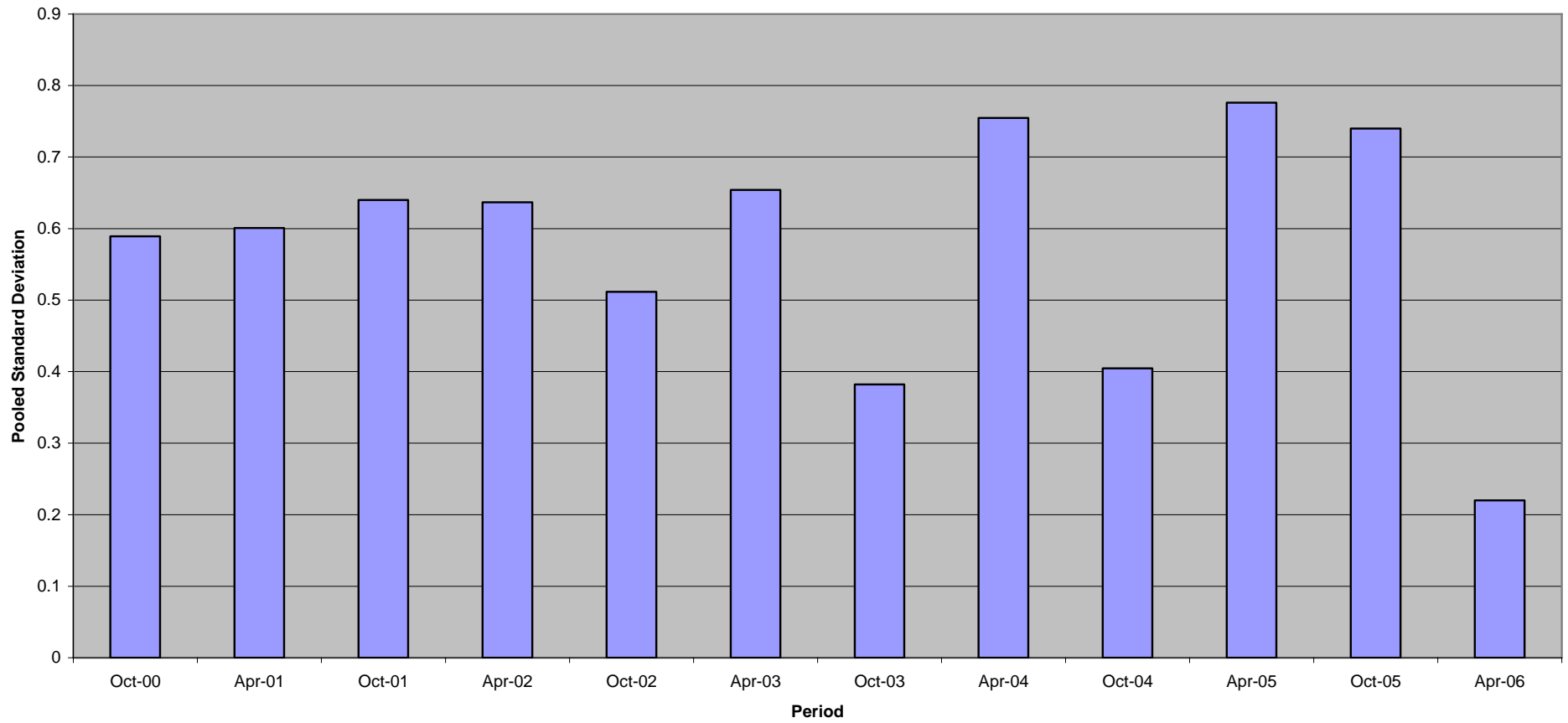


Figure 11 - Average Piston Skirt Varnish, Pooled Standard Deviation

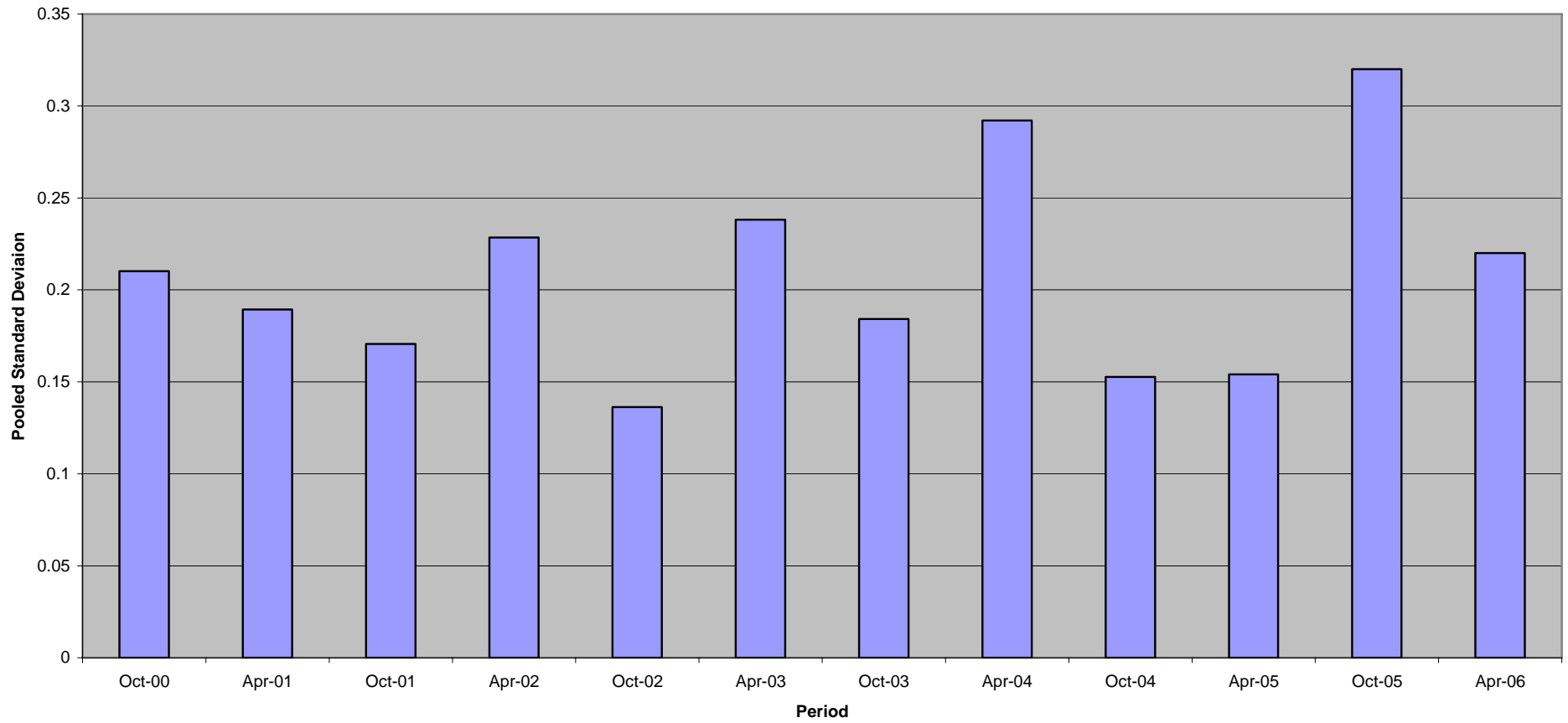


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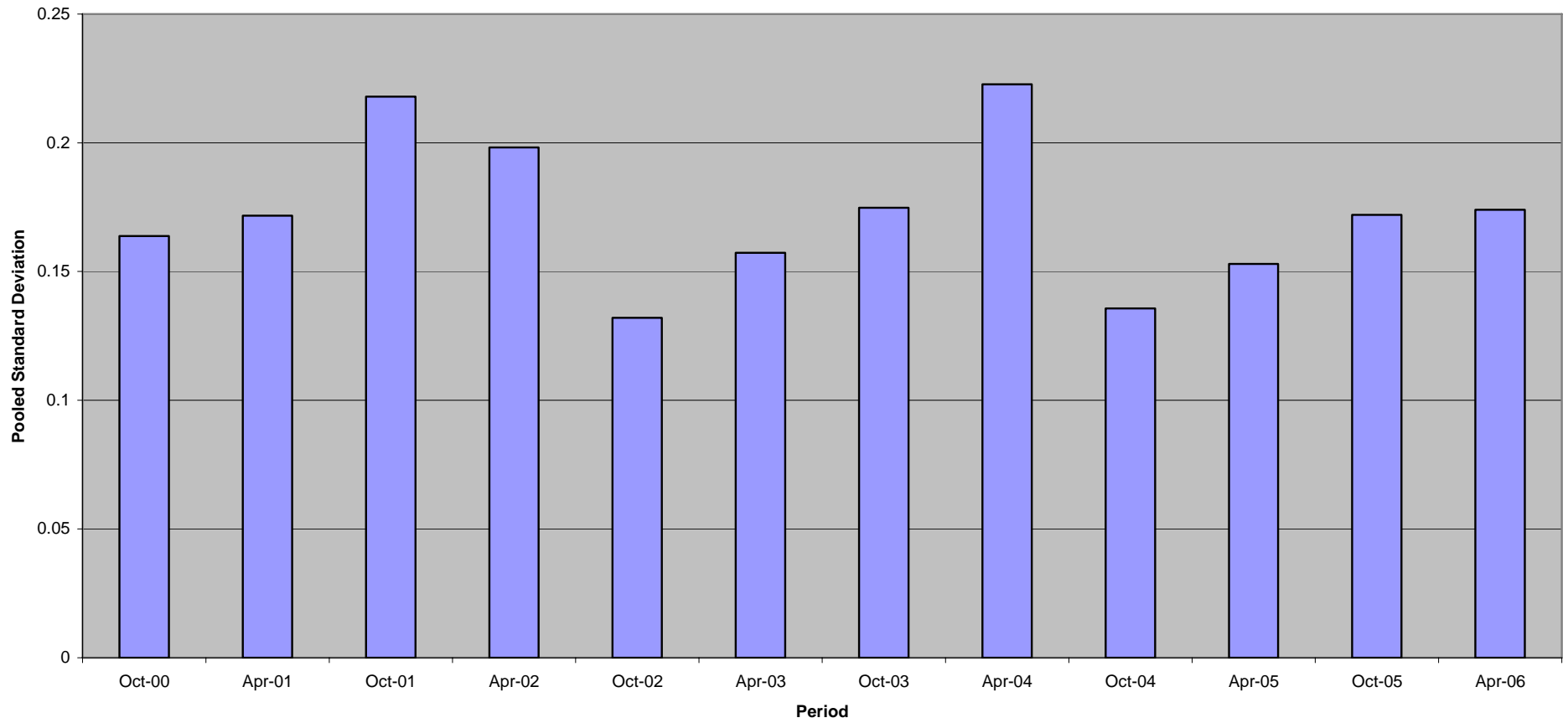


Figure 13 – Sequence IIIF Timeline

Date	Topic	Information Letter
6/10/2000	Revised Ring Sticking definitions implemented	00-2
7/25/2000	Oil Consumption as a test validity criteria dropped	00-2
8/28/2000	First occurrence of LC camshafts in LTMS data	
9/8/2000	Draft 3 of the Sequence IIIF Test Procedure released	00-1
9/27/2000	MRV & CCS Testing of used oil samples added	00-2
9/27/2000	Valve train assembly using build up oil implemented	00-2
10/4/2000	New QI U&L Values implemented	00-2
10/8/2000	First occurrence of Valve train assembly using build up oil in LTMS	00-2
12/6/2000	Oil Consumption as a test interpretability criteria added	00-3
4/25/2001	First occurrence of MB camshafts in LTMS data	
5/23/2001	Condenser Flow QI requirements dropped	01-1
5/23/2001	New oil addition at EOT dropped	01-1
5/23/2001	Condenser part number corrected	01-1
5/23/2001	Revised dipstick calibration curve implemented	01-1
5/23/2001	Revised MRV & CCS test procedures	01-1
5/23/2001	Upper limit of 8000cSt for viscosity measurements established	01-1
5/23/2001	Reexamination of Engine Speed and Condenser Coolant Out Temperature QI U&L values performed; no changes made	01-1
9/8/2001	Screened Average Cam-plus-lifter Wear (SACLW) replaces Average Cam-plus-lifter Wear (ACLW) as pass/fail parameter	01-2
9/8/2001	Valve train assembly using test oil reintroduced into IIIF test	01-2
9/12/2001	First occurrence of engine builds using test oil for valvetrain lubrication in LTMS	
11/28/2001	Sequence IIIF-HD Test Procedure Published	01-3
3/1/2002	Revised Sequence IIIF Test Procedure Published	02-1
3/15/2002	Sequence IIIFHD Test Procedure added to Revised Sequence IIIF Test Procedure. Editorial changes to IIIF Test Procedure also made and do	02-2
4/23/2002	Oil Filter and Oil Cooler Replacement Guidelines issued	02-3
6/1/2002	External Oil Bypass Valve System & Modified Oil Filter Adapter	02-4
12/15/2003	New Honing Procedure approved and added to Assembly Manual	
5/30/2003	New Oil Filter	03-1
6/30/2003	New Front Cover and Oil Filter Housing	03-1
6/30/2003	Sequence IIIG Dipstick	03-1
6/30/2003	Calibrated Flask for Initial Oil Charge	03-1
12/31/2003	New Solvent Specifications	03-1
10/29/2003	Revised Fuel Pressure Specification	03-3
10/29/2003	Automatic Parts Washing Machine Maintenance Requirement	03-3
10/29/2003	Main Bearing Bore Mandrel Procedure made optional	03-3
10/29/2003	Piston Ring Cleaning Requirements	03-3
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10/29/2003	Main Bearing Cap Bolt Replacement Specification	03-3
10/29/2003	Revised Camshaft Measurement Procedure	03-3
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4/13/2004	Revised Intake Manifold Gasket	04-1
4/13/2004	Additional Allowable Sealing Materials	04-1
5/12/2004	Undercrown Rating Area Definition Clarification	04-2
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