

Mr. James Linden
Chair
ILSAC

April 3, 2008

Dear Mr. Linden,

A VID Matrix Design and Funding Subgroup, reporting to ASTM Passenger Car Engine Oil Classification Panel, has recently been formed per instruction from PCEOCP. The purpose of this group is to recommend precision and BOI/VGRA matrices for VID as well as associated cost estimates and funding structures. By addressing these issues early, we hope to accelerate the process to meet the current GF-5 timeline for new test development.

During the last meeting, the group agreed that a licensed GF-4 oil used in actual EPA fuel economy and emissions certification testing, such as an OEM factory fill oil, will serve as a great reference oil linking VID to real world vehicle performance. On behalf of the Sub-group, We'd like to ask ILSAC to solicit this oil from your member companies.

Your quick assistance is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jerry Wang".

Jerry Wang
Chair, ASTM PCEOCP MDF Sub-group