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SUBJECT: Registration of Demonstration Oils

As described in the CMA "Alert" to practitioners of the Code, the CMA has incorporated provisions to register the proposed ASTM Sequence VI-A engine test for the purpose of collecting data for demonstration reference oils. If a sponsor is interested in developing a reference oil as described in the CMA Code Alert, we believe the process described in this bulletin offers the simplest methods to schedule, register and report information collected on proposed Sequence VI-A tests.

Test scheduling and registration remain the same. RSI will confirm registration of the proposed ASTM Sequence VI-A tests by completing part C of the Engine Test Registration Form (page B6 of the CMA Code of Practice) and faxing this sheet to the test lab and test sponsor.

Within the formulation/stand code, the "Test" portion must be identified as PVIA. This will distinguish the test as a proposed ASTM Sequence VI-A test. Oils tested under PVIA are designated for development of a demonstration reference oil.

Since the proposed ASTM Sequence VI-A is under development, there is no formal referencing program. To ensure a minimum level of experience in Sequence VI-A testing, only test labs that participated in the ASTM matrix program may conduct PVIA tests used to develop demonstration oils.

Test labs must submit a complete test report (without photos) and, in lieu of the Test Laboratory Conformance Statement, the Interim Declarations noted on the following page.

INTERIM DECLARATIONS
for TEST TYPE Preliminary VI-A (PVIA)
This form is used for development of demonstration oils

Identification

Test Lab:

Test Sponsor:

Formulation/Stand code:

Test Identification Number
(as defined in the respective test method):

Test Start Date and Time (Include time zone):

Date Completed:

Key Performance Measurement(s)

Fuel Economy Improvement Relative to the Average of BC (%)	
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Test Method and Declarations

The test method used to conduct this PVIA test is identified as:

NOTE: The lab's identification of the test method must ensure that the respective test method can be distinguished from other drafts or versions, i.e., draft number, date, etc.

This test was registered prior to start. YES ____ NO ____

The laboratory conducted this test for the full duration following all procedural requirements applicable at the time the test was conducted. YES ____ NO ____

In my opinion, this test was conducted in a valid manner. YES ____ NO ____

Signature of Lab Representative

Date