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RSI BULLETIN #R-031

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SUBJECT: VE Wear Measurements to Metric Units

The ASTM Test Monitoring Center issued Sequence VE Information Letter 97-2 regarding a change in the unit of measure for wear from mils to micrometers. The changes are effective March 10, 1997. This bulletin is being issued for information purposes, and no action is required by test sponsors or test laboratories.

With respect to the RSI database, all VE tests that completed before March 10, 1997 will be mathematically converted [mils X 25.4] by RSI. The final format for the conversion values will contain one decimal place for average cam wear and whole numbers for maximum cam wear. This is consistent with the format of the tests reports in the ASTM information letter.

With respect to the Summary of Scheduled Tests that is generated by the CMA Monitoring Agency upon sponsor request, RSI will display the measurements in micrometers for all summaries generated on or after March 10, 1997. Please note that the test results in the summaries of scheduled tests indicate the units of measure.