

**Sequence III  
Test Report**

Version

Conducted For

	V = Valid
	I = Invalid
	N = Results Cannot Be Interpreted As Representative Of Oil Performance (Non-Reference Oil) And Shall Not Be Used For Multiple Test Acceptance

	NR = Non-reference oil
	RO = Reference oil

Test Number					
Test Stand		Stand Test Number		Lab Run Number	
Oil Code:					
Formulation/Stand Code					
Alternate Codes					
EOT Date		EOT Time			

<p>In my opinion this test _____ been conducted in a valid manner in accordance with ASTM Test Method D6984 and the appropriate amendments through the Information Letter System. The remarks included in this report describe anomalies associated with this test.</p>
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Submitted By: \_\_\_\_\_

Testing Laboratory

Signature

Typed Name

Title

**Sequence III F**  
**Form 2**

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<sup>A</sup> ACC Conformance Statement is required only for ACC registered tests.

## Sequence IIIF Form 3

### Summary of Test Method

The Sequence IIIF Test is a fired-engine, dynamometer lubricant test for evaluating automotive engine oils for certain high-temperature performance characteristics, including oil thickening, varnish deposition, oil consumption, and engine wear. Such oils include both single viscosity grade and multi-viscosity grade oils that are used in spark-ignition, gasoline-fueled engines, as well as diesel engines.

The Sequence IIIF Test utilizes a 1996 General Motors Powertrain 3800 Series II, water-cooled, 4 cycle, V-6 engine as the test apparatus. The Sequence IIIF test engine is an overhead valve design (OHV) and uses a single camshaft operating both intake and exhaust valves via pushrods and hydraulic valve lifters in a sliding-follower arrangement. The engine uses one intake and one exhaust valve per cylinder. Induction is handled by a modified GM port fuel injection system setting the Air-to-Fuel ratio at 15:1. The test engine is overhauled prior to each test, during which critical engine dimensions are measured and rated or measured parts (pistons, camshaft, valve lifters, etc.) are replaced.

The Sequence IIIF Test consists of a 10-minute operational check, followed by 80 hours of engine operation at moderately high speed, load, and temperature conditions. The 80-hour segment is broken down into eight 10-hour test segments. Following each 10-hour segment, and the 10-minute operational check, oil samples are drawn from the engine. The kinematic viscosities of the 10-hour segment samples are compared to the viscosity of the 10-minute sample to determine the viscosity increase of the test oil.

The Sequence IIIF Test is operated at the following test states during the 80-hour portion of the test:

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Set Point</b>
Engine Speed	3600 r/min
Engine Load	200 N·m
Oil Filter Block Temperature	155 °C
Coolant Outlet Temperature	122 °C
Fuel Pressure	365 kPa
Intake Air Temperature	27 °C
Intake Air Pressure	0.05 kPa
Intake Air Dew Point	16.1 °C
Exhaust Back Pressure	6 kPa
Engine Coolant Flow	160 L/min
Condenser Coolant Flow	10 L/min
Air-to-Fuel Ratio	15.0:1
Condenser Coolant Outlet Temperature	40 °C

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Form 4**

**Test Result Summary**

Laboratory		Oilcode	
Test Stand No.		Test No.	
Laboratory Oil Code			
Formulation Stand Code			

Date Started		Engine No.	
Time Started		Fuel Batch	
Date Completed		SAE Viscosity	
Time Completed		TMC Oil Code <sup>A</sup>	
Test Length			

<b>Pass/Fail Results</b>						
	Viscosity Increase (%)	Screened Average Cam + Lifter Wear (µm)	Average Weighted Piston Deposits (merits)	Average Piston Skirt Varnish (merits)	Number of Hot Stuck Rings	Hours to 275% Viscosity Increase <sup>A</sup>
Original Units <sup>B</sup>						
Transformed Results <sup>C</sup>						
Industry Correction Factor						
Corrected Transformed Result						
Severity Adjustment						
Final Transformed Result						
Final Original Unit Result						

<b>Additional Results</b>			
Oil Consumption (L) <sup>D</sup>		Oil Consumption Hours, h	
Maximum Cam + Lifter Wear, µm		Average Oil Ring Plugging, %	
Average Cam + Lifter Wear, µm		Number of Cold-Stuck Rings	

<sup>A</sup> Reference Oil Tests Only

<sup>B</sup> Interpolated Percent Viscosity Increase for Non Reference Oil Tests, End of Test Percent Viscosity Increase for Reference Oil Tests

<sup>C</sup> Percent Viscosity Increase Transformation is 1/SQRT(Viscosity Increase)

<sup>D</sup> Test Hours at which Oil Consumption was calculated

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**Form 5**

**Operational Summary**

Laboratory		Oilcode	
Test Stand No.		Test No.	
Laboratory Oil Code			
Formulation Stand Code			

Controlled Parameters	Parameter	Units	QI Limit	EOT QI	Target	Average	Standard Deviation	Number of	
								Samples <sup>A</sup>	BQD <sup>B</sup>
	Speed	r/min	0.000		3600				
	Load	N·m	0.000		200				
	Oil Filter Block	°C	0.000		155.0				
	Engine Coolant Out	°C	0.000		122.0				
	Condenser Coolant Out	°C	0.000		40.0				
	Left Air-to-Fuel Ratio	-	0.000		15.0				
	Right Air-to-Fuel Ratio	-	0.000		15.0				
	Left Exhaust Back Pressure	kPa	0.000		6.0				
	Right Exhaust Back Pressure	kPa	0.000		6.0				
	Intake Air	kPa	0.000		0.05				
	Engine Coolant Flow	L/min	0.000		160.0				

Non-controlled Parameters	Parameter	Units	Average	Standard Deviation	Number of	
					Samples <sup>A</sup>	BQD <sup>B</sup>
	Oil Sump	°C				
	Pump Outlet Pressure	kPa				
	Gallery Pressure	kPa				
	Engine Coolant In	°C				
	Fuel Inlet	°C				
	Intake Air	°C				
	Intake Air Dew Point	°C				
	Intake Vacuum	kPa				
	Crankcase	kPa				
	Fuel Pressure	kPa				

Oil Consumption Data									
HOURS	Initial Run-in								
LEVEL (ml) low									

NO <sub>x</sub> Measurement			
Hours			
NO <sub>x</sub> , ppm			

<sup>A</sup> Total Number of data points taken as determined from test length and sampling rate

<sup>B</sup> Number of Bad Quality Data points not used in the calculation of statistical measures

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Form 6**

**Used Oil Analysis Results**

Laboratory		Oilcode	
Test Stand No.		Test No.	
Laboratory Oil Code			
Formulation Stand Code			

<b>Viscosity Increase Data (cSt @ 40°C)</b>				
<b>Hours</b>	<b>Viscosity<sup>A</sup></b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>% Viscosity</b>	<b>Slope<sup>B</sup></b>
New Oil				
Initial <sup>C</sup>				

<sup>A</sup> 8000 cSt is maximum allowable viscosity

<sup>B</sup> Slope is calculated by ((square root(% Viscosity<sub>hour</sub>)- square root(% Viscosity<sub>hour-10</sub>))/10 hours

<sup>C</sup> At end of leveling run

Method Used <sup>D</sup>	Industry Correction Factor (hours)	Final Reference Result (hours)
Lab SA (hours)	Final Interpolation Point (hours)	Final Interpolated Result (% Viscosity Increase)

<sup>D</sup> Reference Tests Only

Test Hours	Initial									
Iron										
Copper										
Lead										

<b>Cold Crank Simulator Results, D5293</b>	
Final Temperature, °C	
Final Cold-Crank Simulator Viscosity, cP	

<b>Mini-Rotary Viscometer Results, D4684</b>	
MRV Temperature, °C	
MRV Result, cP	
Yield Stress, Pa	

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**Form 7**

**Valve Lifter and Camshaft Wear Results**

Laboratory		Oilcode	
Test Stand No..		Test No.	
Laboratory Oil Code			
Formulation Stand Code			

Number	Camshaft Lobe, $\mu\text{m}$	Valve Lifter, $\mu\text{m}$	Cam & Lifter Wear, $\mu\text{m}$
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			
7			
8			
9			
10			
11			
12			
<b>Maximum</b>			
<b>Minimum</b>			
<b>Average</b>			
<b>Screened Average Cam + Lifter Wear<sup>A</sup></b>			

<sup>A</sup> Average Cam + Lifter Wear based on ten positions, excluding the minimum and maximum positions.

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Form 8**

**Summary Of Oil Ring Land Deposit Ratings**

Laboratory		Oilcode	
Test Stand No.		Test No.	
Laboratory Oil Code			
Formulation Stand Code			
Rater		Rating Date	

Piston	Oil Ring Land Deposit Rating, Merits	% Chipped
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
6		
<b>Average</b>		

Piston	% Oil Ring Plugging	Ring Sticking <sup>A</sup>	
		Hot-Stuck Rings	Cold-Stuck Rings
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			
<b>Total</b>			
<b>Average</b>			

<sup>A</sup> Possible values: T = top compression ring  
 B = bottom compression ring  
 O = oil ring  
 N = none



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Form 9**

**Summary Of Piston Deposits**

Laboratory		Oilcode	
Test Stand No.		Test No.	
Laboratory Oil Code			
Formulation Stand Code			
Rater		Rating Date	

**Note: CRC Manual 20 used for all ratings.**

Note: These are all unweighted ratings.

	Grooves, merits			Lands, merits		Undercrown, merits
	1	2	3	2	3	
Piston 1						
Piston 2						
Piston 3						
Piston 4						
Piston 5						
Piston 6						
WF	0.05	0.10	0.20	0.15	0.30	0.10

Note: These are all unweighted ratings.

	Piston Skirt Varnish, merits		
	Thrust	Anti-Thrust	Average
Piston 1			
Piston 2			
Piston 3			
Piston 4			
Piston 5			
Piston 6			
Average			
WF			0.10

	Total Weighted Deposits, merits
Piston 1	
Piston 2	
Piston 3	
Piston 4	
Piston 5	
Piston 6	

<b>Average Weighted Piston Deposits, merits</b>	
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**Sequence III F**  
**Form 11**

**Viscosity Increase Plot**

Laboratory		Oilcode	
Test Stand No.		Test No.	
Laboratory Oil Code			
Formulation Stand Code			

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Form 12**

**Hardware Information**

Lab		Oil Code	
Stand		Test No.	
Laboratory Oil Code			
Formulation Stand Code			

FIFO	Piston Ring Batch Code		Build Completion Date	
FIFO	Oil Control (OC) Batch Code		Piston Size (Grade)	
FIFO	Expander Ring (EXP) Batch Code		Block Serial Number	
FIFO	Oil Filter Batch Code		Crankshaft Serial Number	
FIFO	Camshaft Pour Code		Crankshaft Part Number	
FIFO	Oil Cooler Batch Code		Camshaft Serial Number	
FIFO	Valve Springs Batch Code		Cylinder Head Serial Number, Left	
FIFO	Intake Valve Seals Batch Code		Cylinder Head Serial Number, Right	
FIFO	Exhaust Valve Seals Batch Code		Top Ring Gap, mils	
FIFO	Main Bearings (M) Batch Code		Bottom Ring Gap, mils	
FIFO	Connecting Rod Bearings (CR) Batch Code		Bearing Kit Serial Number	
FIFO	Camshaft Bushing (CB) Batch Code			
FIFO	Lifter Engine Set Number (ESET)			
FIFO	Rocker Arm Batch Code			
FIFO	Piston Batch (Code)			







**Sequence III F**  
**Form 14**  
**American Chemistry Council Code Of Practice**  
**Test Laboratory Conformance Statement**

Test Laboratory				
Test Sponsor				
Formulation / Stand Code				
Test Number				
Start Date		Start Time		Time Zone

***Declarations***

No. 1 All requirements of the ACC Code of Practice for which the test laboratory is responsible were met in the conduct of this test. Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ \*

No. 2 The laboratory ran this test for the full duration following all procedural requirements; and all operational validity requirements of the latest version of the applicable test procedure (ASTM or other), including all updates issued by the organization responsible for the test, were met.  
 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ \*

If the response to this Declaration is “No”, does the test engineer consider the deviations from operational validity requirements that occurred to be beyond the control of the laboratory? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ \* No \_\_\_\_\_

No 3. A deviation occurred for one of the test parameters identified by the organization responsible for the test as being a special case. Yes \_\_\_\_\_ \* No \_\_\_\_\_ (*This currently applies only to specific deviations identified in the ASTM Information Letter System*)

***Check The Appropriate Conclusion***

	Operational review of this test indicates that the results should be included in the Multiple Test Acceptance Criteria calculations.
	*Operational review of this test indicates that the results should not be included in the Multiple Test Acceptance Criteria calculations.

Note: *Supporting comments are required for all responses identified with an asterisk.*

<i>Comments</i>

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Typed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title