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Sequence VIE/VIF

VIE was successfully balloted in Committee D02. The comments were handled editorially. The document has not been published because the ASTM editor has a backlog. The VIE number is D8114. I finally received the galley proof to review on Thursday, June 15, 2017. I was told it should be published sometime in July. As for VIF, I have participated in the conference calls to ensure I remain current on the relevant issues. It has been necessary to make revisions to the draft standard over the last 6 months because of these calls and other changes.

Sequence IV B

There have been numerous conference calls conducted by the WG, and I have been an active participate. The Sequence IVB precision matrix has been on hold since 4/27/17, because the Sequence IVB Task Force identified a few areas of concern, including higher sulfur content in the precision matrix batch of the Haltermann KA24E Green test fuel, which might be resulting in increased wear severity (precision matrix and candidate testing) and lobe failures (candidate testing), a slight variation in initial test oil charge volume between precision matrix tests. The WG held a 3 day face-to-face in San Antonio during early June that may have resolved most of the issues.

The significance is that the current test method will require major changes after the Precision Matrix is completed.

I spent 45 hours working on the 3 documents so far over the past 6 months.

Respectfully submitted,

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