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Standard Test Method for Evaluation of Diesel Engine Oils in T-9 Diesel Engine¹

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1. Scope

1.1 This test method covers an engine test procedure for evaluating diesel engine oils for performance characteristics, including lead corrosion and wear of piston rings and cylinder liners.² This test method is commonly referred to as the Mack T-9.

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1.3 *This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety and health practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use. See Annex A5 for specific safety precautions.*

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2. Referenced Documents

- 2.1 *ASTM Standards:*³
D86 Test Method for Distillation of Petroleum Products at

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² The ASTM Test Monitoring Center will update changes in this test method by means of Information Letters. This edition includes all Information Letters through 03-1. Information Letters may be obtained from ASTM Test Monitoring Center, 6555 Penn Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15206-4489, Attention: Administrator.

³ For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, www.astm.org, or contact ASTM Customer Service at service@astm.org. For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.

Atmospheric Pressure

D93 Test Methods for Flash Point by Pensky-Martens Closed Cup Tester

D97 Test Method for Pour Point of Petroleum Products

D129 Test Method for Sulfur in Petroleum Products (General Bomb Method)

D130 Test Method for Corrosiveness to Copper from Petroleum Products by Copper Strip Test

D235 Specification for Mineral Spirits (Petroleum Spirits) (Hydrocarbon Dry Cleaning Solvent)

D287 Test Method for API Gravity of Crude Petroleum and Petroleum Products (Hydrometer Method)

D445 Test Method for Kinematic Viscosity of Transparent and Opaque Liquids (and Calculation of Dynamic Viscosity)

D482 Test Method for Ash from Petroleum Products

D524 Test Method for Ramsbottom Carbon Residue of Petroleum Products

D613 Test Method for Cetane Number of Diesel Fuel Oil

D664 Test Method for Acid Number of Petroleum Products by Potentiometric Titration

D1319 Test Method for Hydrocarbon Types in Liquid Petroleum Products by Fluorescent Indicator Adsorption

D2500 Test Method for Cloud Point of Petroleum Products

D2622 Test Method for Sulfur in Petroleum Products by Wavelength Dispersive X-ray Fluorescence Spectrometry

D2709 Test Method for Water and Sediment in Middle Distillate Fuels by Centrifuge

D2896 Test Method for Base Number of Petroleum Products by Potentiometric Perchloric Acid Titration

D4052 Test Method for Density and Relative Density of Liquids by Digital Density Meter

D4485 Specification for Performance of Engine Oils

D4737 Test Method for Calculated Cetane Index by Four Variable Equation

D4739 Test Method for Base Number Determination by Potentiometric Hydrochloric Acid Titration

D5185 Test Method for Determination of Additive Elements, Wear Metals, and Contaminants in Used Lubricating Oils and Determination of Selected Elements in Base Oils by Inductively Coupled Plasma Atomic Emission Spectrometry (ICP-AES)⁴

D5302 Test Method for Evaluation of Automotive Engine Oils for Inhibition of Deposit Formation and Wear in a Spark-Ignition Internal Combustion Engine Fueled with Gasoline and Operated Under Low-Temperature, Light-Duty Conditions^{5 4}

D5844 Test Method for Evaluation of Automotive Engine Oils for Inhibition of Rusting (Sequence IID)⁵

D5967 Test Method for Evaluation of Diesel Engine Oils in T-8 Diesel Engine

E29 Practice for Using Significant Digits in Test Data to Determine Conformance with Specifications

E178 Practice for Dealing With Outlying Observations

E344 Terminology Relating to Thermometry and Hydrometry

2.2 SAE Standards.⁶

SAE J1995 Engine Power Test Code - Spark Ignition and Compression Ignition - Gross Power Rating

3. Terminology

3.1 Definitions:

3.1.1 *blind reference oil, n*—a reference oil, the identity of which is unknown by the test facility. **D5844**

3.1.1.1 *Discussion*—This is a coded reference oil that is submitted by a source independent from the test facility.

3.1.2 *blowby, n*—in internal combustion engines, the combustion products and unburned air-and-fuel mixture that enter the crankcase. **D5302**

3.1.3 *calibrate, v*—to determine the indication or output of a measuring device with respect to that of a standard. **E344**

3.1.4 *candidate oil, n*—an oil that is intended to have the performance characteristics necessary to satisfy a specification and is intended to be tested against that specification. **D5844**

3.1.5 *heavy-duty, adj*—in internal combustion engine operation, characterized by average speeds, power output, and internal temperatures that are close to the potential maximums. **D4485**

3.1.6 *heavy-duty engine, n*—in internal combustion engines, one that is designed to allow operation continuously at or close to its peak output. **D4485**

3.1.7 *non-reference oil, n*—any oil other than a reference oil, such as a research formulation, commercial oil, or candidate oil. **D5844**

3.1.8 *non-standard test, n*—a test that is not conducted in conformance with the requirements in the standard test method, such as running on an uncalibrated test stand, using different test equipment, applying different equipment assembly procedures, or using modified operating conditions. **D5844**

3.1.9 *oxidation, n*—of engine oil, the reaction of the oil with an electron acceptor, generally oxygen, that can produce deleterious acidic or resinous materials often manifested as sludge formation, varnish formation, viscosity increase, or corrosion, or combination thereof. **Sub. B Glossary⁷**

3.1.10 *reference oil, n*—an oil of known performance characteristics, used as a basis for comparison. **D5844**

3.1.10.1 *Discussion*—Reference oils are used to calibrate testing facilities, to compare the performance of other oils, or to evaluate other materials (such as seals) that interact with oils.

3.1.11 *sludge, n*—in internal combustion engines, a deposit, principally composed of insoluble resins and oxidation products from fuel combustion and lubricant, that does not drain from engine parts but can be removed by wiping with a cloth. **D5302**

3.1.12 *standard test, n*—a test on a calibrated test stand, using the prescribed equipment in accordance with the requirements in the test method, and conducted in accordance with the

⁴ Withdrawn.

⁵ Withdrawn. The last approved version of this historical standard is referenced on www.astm.org.

⁶ Available from Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE), 400 Commonwealth Dr., Warrendale, PA 15096-0001.

⁷ Available from the secretary of the ASTM D02.B0 Subcommittee.