# New Emissions Regulations - Impact on Engine Design and Oil Formulation



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## **Overview of Topics**

- Historical look at emissions regulations and the co-evolution of high performance diesel engines and their equally high performance lubricants
- Emission limit changes in 2002 will require new control technology - Exhaust Gas Recirculation (EGR)
- EGR equipped engines will require new lubricants

### **Overview of Topics**

- ASTM is working on new PC-9 category for EGR engines
- PC-9 development timing, costs, and alternatives
- Probable oil formulation impact of PC-9 tests
- Summary

## Table One U.S. EPA Diesel Engine Emission Standards

Year	1988	1991	1994	1998	2002
Unburned HC	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3
NOx			5.0		2.0*
Carbon Monoxide	15.5	15.5	15.5	15.5	15.5
Particulate Matter	0.6	0.25		0.1	

All values are measured in grams per brake horsepower-hour

Limits apply to engines at "end of useful life"

<sup>\*</sup> Alternate target is a total of 2.5 for combined NOx and non-methane hydrocarbons

# NOx Versus Particulate Matter Balancing Act

## Reduce PM-Aggravate NOx

- Improved combustion
  - Inlet air swirl
  - High pressure injection
  - Advanced timing
  - Reduced crevice volume

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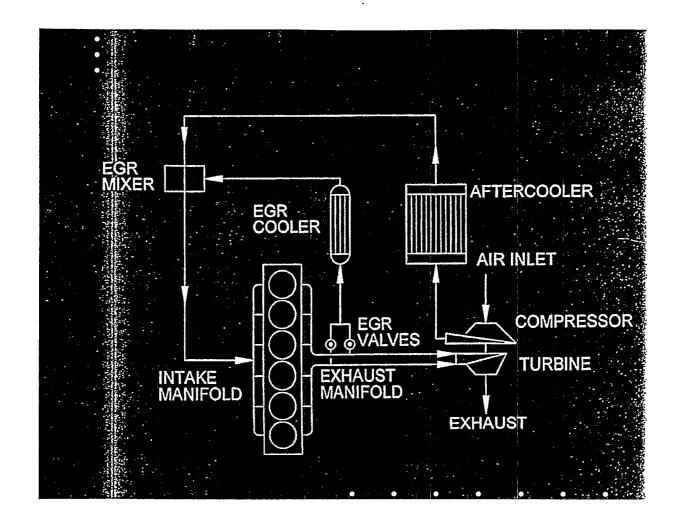
High peak temperature

## Reduce NOx-Aggravate

- Less effective combustion
  - Retarded injection timing
- Lower peak temperature

#### **New NOx Limit in October 2002**

- NOx limit in EPA test cycle drops by 50%.
  - Current 4.0 g/hp-h drops to 2.0 g/hp-h (or 2.5 incl HC)
- Cannot be met with existing NOx control technology
  - Beyond operational limit of retarded timing
- All engine manufacturers plan to use Exhaust
   Gas Recirculation (EGR) to meet 2002 NOx limits
  - EGR is expected to dramatically impact engine oil performance requirements



## **New Oil Category PC-9**

- Anticipated performance needs of EGR-equipped engines is PC-9 driver
- Three new engine tests with EGR
  - Mack T-10 (Ring and Liner wear)
  - Cummins M11-EGR (Valve Train wear/Sludge/Filter Pressure)
  - Caterpillar 1Q (Piston Deposits)
- Performance parameters similar to CH-4 tests T-9, M11, and 1P but using EGR
  - None of the new tests currently available

## EGR...What's The Worry?

#### The combustion process:

- In the textbook
  - $CxHy + O_2 ==> CO_2 + H_2O + Heat$
- In the real world
  - Fuel + Air ==>  $CO_2$  +  $H_2O$  + Heat + CO + HC +  $NO_x$ +  $SO_x$  + Particulate Matter + ??
  - At high temperatures not a problem
- Cooled EGR condenses nitric and sulfuric acids
  - Recirculated into engine power assembly

### PC-9 Is Not Just Three New Tests

Current engine test proposal to define PC-9:

- Mack T-10 New test - \$65,000

- Cummins M11-EGR New test - \$85,000

Caterpillar 1QNew test - \$60,000

Caterpillar 1NCG-4 test - \$22,000

- Mack T-8E CH-4 test - \$43,000

John Deere JDQ-78A New test - \$60,000

- RFWT CH-4 test - \$12,000

- EOAT CH-4 test - \$ 7,000

Total, one time pass =  $\frac{$354,000}{}$ 

## **PC-9 Costs**

- One time pass in just HD tests > \$350,000
- Add in PCMO test costs > \$500,000
  - To approve one core data set in one viscosity grade
  - Engine tests only slight increase to include bench tests
- If testing volume is similar to CH-4 experience,
   PC-9 reformulation cost could approach
   \$40 million
  - Reduced by about \$3,000,000 if Sequence IIIF
     could be substituted for JDQ-78A

## Summary of Events Required for PC-9 Licensing Brent Shoffner 9/21/99

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\* Acceptance of each engine test (by HDEOCP) for discrimination and preliminary precision prior to starting the precision matrix. What is the criteria? Minimum of one test on 1005-1 and one on a prototype PC-9 oil?

#### **PC-9 Alternatives**

- Past history suggests PC-9 will not be developed in time for a January 1, 2002 API first licensing
- EPA emission deadline is firm
  - EGR required to meet NOx limits
  - New oils required to protect engines
- OEM specifications already exist
  - Mack has EO- X oil approval lists
  - Cummins has CES 200XX oil specifications
  - Will be upgraded as required to protect engines

## **PC-9 Oil Formulation Implications**

- EGR and its attendant acid formation will stress the acid neutralization capability of oils
  - More TBN?
  - More or less reactive TBN?
  - A balance of both?
- Increased soot loading with PC-9 tests will require increased dispersant potency
- High soot also leads to wear concerns
  - Possible need for high anti-wear treats at odds with low phosphorus / catalyst compatibility for light duty oils

### **Continued Formulation Implications**

- "Backward compatibility" has always been a key part of the API oil category system
  - Newer / higher quality oils can be recommended for use in engines which originally called for lower categories
- Potential need for higher TBN/SASH oils to meet
   PC-9 performance could cause difficulties
  - The 1P test in CH-4 is very difficult for high
     SASH oils
- Industry guidance is that protection of EGR engines outweighs backward compatibility

#### **Summary**

- EPA emission regulations reduce NOx in 2002
- New limits will require EGR
- EGR will recirculate acids into the engine
- PC-9 under development for EGR engines
  - Many tests / high cost to reformulate

#### Summary

- Very tight time schedule, delay likely
  - OEM's will do whatever is required to protect engines
- PC-9 oils expected to differ significantly from current CH-4/SJ formulations

### **Summary (continued)**

 Although the development process will be difficult, it is likely that the combination of EGR-equipped engines and PC-9 quality lubricants will successfully continue the historic co-evolution of high performance diesel engines and their equally high performance oils.