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EPAct and Related Testing Status and Rulemaking Usage

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Background: Program, Reason, Usage

- Light Duty Exhaust Fuels (~$4m EPA, $2m DOE)
  - Reason: Impact of ETOH and fuel properties on Tier 2 exhaust emissions
  - Usage: MOVES and Complex model, EISA, CMAQ,SPECIATE, PM source app.
    - RFS2 NPRM (freeze data July, 2008) - E10, E15 discussion
    - RFS2 FRM, (1st Q 2009) Extensive E10, E15, E20 data set from Phases 1&2 (partial 3)
- Oil PM Study
  - Reason: Determine oil age and ETOH interaction impact on PM
  - Usage: Support of LDEF and future MOVES PM oil age relationship
    - LDEF vehicle mileage requirements for oil stability
    - Oil change requirements between ETOH blends
- PM Speciation
  - Reason: Impact of ETOH on Tier 2 vehicle PM and VOC speciation profiles, metals
  - Usage: CMAQ and other modeling, source apportionment work
    - ~~RFS2 FRM~~ sec. 204(209?) anti-backsliding
- Non-Road Exhaust
  - Reason: Impact of ETOH on sample of non-road engine exhaust
  - Usage: MOVES (general data need) to support:
    - Early data for RFS2 NPRM, RFS2 FRM
- Evaporative Testing
  - Reason: Impact of ETOH on Tier 2 near zero and determine % fleet malfunctioning
  - Usage: MOVES (general data need) and to support:
    - RFS2 FRM
- All data can be used for future GHG rulemaking, EISA Anti-Backsliding report to Congress, & update of Complex Model (2009)

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Light Duty Exhaust Fuels (SWRI)

- Phase 1 - Started (75F with E0, E10, E15) – (4/08 to 6/08)
  - All 19 vehicles aged to 4k on dyno and oil samples taken for analysis
  - E0 fuel testing underway
  - Program issues resulting in delays:
    - Proper blending of fuels (3 of 31 total) has been difficult
    - Fuel supplier trouble blending E10 and E15 at desired distillation distribution (T#s)
      - EPA to specify via refinery industry blending tool
      - Refinery tool requires EPA staff to specify blendstocks portions
      - Due to CBI nature, EPA will handle refinery tool and supplier blendstock data for program
    - Toxics analysis found DNPH contamination – solved but some lost data
    - Tunnel issue finding PM with blanks – solved with cleaning/EPA inspection
    - Flow meter issue – using SAO for second by second data until solved
    - OBD data issue – solved with vehicle communication interface upgrade
- Phase 2 – (50F with E0, E10, E15) – (7/08 to 9/08)
  - Required facility upgrades which are in process
    - Temperature & humidity control units
- Phase 3 - Planned (9/08 to 5/09)
  - Fuel blendstock recipe to be supplied by EPA via Refinery tool
  - Addressing DOE requests (Doug Lawson)
    - Attempting to meet high emitter desires while meeting overall EPA/DOE needs
    - Convinced DOE to run high emitter/high mileage vehicles at end of phase 3

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Fresh Oil PM Study (NVFEL)

- Oil PM stabilization on E0 completed
  - EPAct Phase 1 oil aging(2k) "safe" from fresh oil influences on PM
  - Conclusion: Stabilization occurs much lower mileage (.5k to 1k)
    - Likely oil time at temp relationship
    - Did not isolate to PCV (off-gassing) or cylinder surface (oil shearing)

- Oil PM and ethanol fuels (E10 & E20) completed
  - Oil samples will be analyzed for ethanol content–likely little found
  - Decision will need to be made:
    - IF no PM change E0 to E10 to E20 – no oil changes required for EPAct
    - ELSE (isolate to fuel only or fuel/oil interaction)
      - Go back to E0 to see if reversible then move to E20
        - » If Fuel caused any PM change and not oil related – good news

- Outcome of E0/E10/E20 influence on PM findings:
  - If PM rates are a function of ethanol content (up or down)
  - Dictates if fuels can be randomized in EPAct Phase 3
    - Driver influence on PM
    - Preferred statistical approach
  - Use as comparison to DOE PM findings (Doug Lawson)

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PM Speciation
(NVFEL/ORD-NRMRL)

- ORD ($700K)
  - NRMRL supplied a proposal that fulfills our data needs including:
    - Low-temperature work
    - NRMRL has EPAct funding for this project that we can leverage
    - Positive results from new research to provide phase-specific SVOC speciation instead of combining sample across phases
  - Vehicle testing: ASD site visit(s) and/or participation to address any potential issues/concerns
  - Analytical capability, especially for SVOCs is state-of–the art
  - Toxics sampling equipment will be supplied for program
- NVFEL ($400K)
  - LOD analytical capabilities and capacity will be determined for subset
  - Vehicle testing: On-site expertise and state-of-the art sample collection capacity
  - On-sight analytical capability for chemical speciation of PM is currently limited
  - Discussion regarding desired E85 testing
  - Cross lab checks planned and explore NVFEL future programs

- Additional funding to expand testing

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Nonroad Exhaust (Intertek Carnot - $800K)

- EPAct E10 fuel (#18) received June 6
  - Common with vehicle program
  - Program waiting for fuel before proceeding (baseline emissions needed on #18)

- Engine testing begins June 16
  - Kawasaki engine – Class II
    - ring seating break-in cycle and up to 8 hours of aging prior to baseline emission tests (to assure stable baseline emissions)
    - Triplicate emission tests on #17, #18 and cert fuel are complete.
    - Emission testing includes HC, CO, NOx, CO2 and PM
  - Honda engine – Class I
    - ring seating break-in cycle and up to 8 hours of aging to begin later this week.

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Non-Road Exhaust
(SwRI - $500K)

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Evaporative Testing

- $1.6 Million + CRC funds
- Program Design for E-77-2 (Current program at ATL)
  - Test Plan, after 4 weeks preconditioning at each ethanol level:
    - Static permeation
    - Running loss
    - Hot soak
    - 72 hour diurnal (65°-105°F)
  - Time Line: Testing to be complete September of 2008
- Program Design for E77-2b (New program at SwRI)
  - *Objective*: Additional, newer technology, high sales volume vehicles to the CRC E-77-2
  - Designated E-77-2b by CRC, EPA is the Lead
  - EPA evaporative emissions experts input to program
  - Plan to repeat E-77-2 program with 8 more vehicles and 1 implanted leak, without E20 fuel (unless added by DOE)
  - Speciation on 100+ VOCs
  - Testing at SwRI, will take ~12 mos. (complete summer of 2009)
  - CRC has offered to supply fuel which was left over from E-74b and E-77-2 programs for continuity
  - CRC has offered to supply 5 vehicles from E-74b program for EPAct related work; all aging enhanced evap will work well here, not appropriate for the LD Gas Fuels program where required newer vehicles. (Pending CRC Board approval)

E77-2b Vehicles: 8 Tier 2/Near Zero 1 implanted leak
Fuels:
E0, 7 and 9 psi
E10, 7 and 10 psi
E20, 9 psi funded by DOE

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Determine Fraction of High Evap Vehicles in Fleet (ERG – CO/TX)

- *Objective*: Find the percentage of high emitting evaporative emission vehicles in the average fleet of on-road motor vehicle passenger cars and light trucks.
- Pilot Program: propose and refine test procedure
  - 100 vehicles
  - Pre-screen using RSD
  - Evaluate several methods including portable SHED
- Main Program
  - Do measurements on ~1000 vehicles
  - Apply protocols developed in pilot
- ICR
  - Specific to this project
  - Pilot must take place this summer
  - **At OMB for review**
- Collaboration
  - Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE)
    - Offering RSD and technical expertise
    - CRADA in process (Colorado has signed, OGC is reviewing)
  - CRC

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EPAct Testing Budget (millions)

Testing	2007	2008	Notes	DoE	CRC
Fuel Effects Testing	$3.3 (+0.15)		Pulled ahead funds	$2.0	Need $0.06 horsetrade
PM Speciation NRML		$0.4 n/a	Data analysis/ testing/ AVL sampler. (ORD + $0.7)		
Evap E772b SwRI		$0.6	Evap Testing SHED testing	$0.10	Fuels + 5 vehicles
Evap E77 3 ERG	$1.0		Evap leaker rate, pulled ahead funds		$0.04
CRC E74 b ATL			CO/RVP Effects (E0, E10, E20) – nearly complete		$0.25
Non Road Intertek/Carnot	$0.8		E0, E10 Exhaust	+FUL E20 tbd	
Non Road SwRI		$0.5	Coord w/ ARB E0, E6, E10, Sulfur, +Speciation	tbd	
Total	$5.1	$1.5			

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