The Future of Automotive and Industrial Lubricants

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With respect to operating costs synergies indicated, such savings and efficiencies in procurement spend include economies of scale, specification standardisation and operating efficiencies across operating, capital and raw material cost areas.

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WE ARE IN AN ERA OF ENERGY AND MOBILITY TRANSITION

Environment

Urbanisation

Customer Expectations

Mobility is the life-blood of our society – number of vehicles globally forecast to double by 2050

Megatrends include Global warming, Urban air quality, Waste reduction, Changing customer expectations

Approximately 20% of CO2 emissions are from the Transport sector – Lubricants can provide solutions for the Automotive industry to enable this transition
OEMS FACE SIGNIFICANT CHALLENGES TO ADDRESS CO2 EMISSIONS

Auto Industry faces significant and increasing costs to reduce CO2 emissions

Fuel efficiency options - Lubricants can provide low cost, large scale, high impact benefits

OEM Options
- Downsizing, Turbo-charging
- Gasoline direct injection
- Cylinder de-activation
- Advanced thermal management
- Friction reducing materials
- After-treatment devices to control regulated emissions.
- **Fuel economy engine oils**

Costs to deliver incremental fuel economy benefits through engineering design are increasing over time. 0W-20, 0W-16 and lighter grades – **co-engineered** to help maximise the fuel economy potential of the engine – can deliver fuel economy benefits at a fraction of the cost of other technologies.
Sophisticated engine technologies are enabled by the use of high performance synthetic base oils such as Shell GTL™ base oils and poly-alpha-olefins that provide:

- Better resistance to oxidation at high temperatures
- Better control of deposits e.g. in turbochargers
- Better volatility and hence viscosity stability.
FUTURE AUTOMOTIVE LUBRICANTS - OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A STEP-CHANGE IN USE OF FUEL-EFFICIENT LUBRICANTS

- CO₂ and regulated emissions reduction can drive increased use of fuel economy (eg 0W) engine oils providing benefit to OEMs and Customers alike.

- Modern engine designs pose lubricant challenges for the formulator that drive use of high performance synthetic lubricants and a collaborative design approach.

- Opportunity exists in all regions to increase penetration of fuel economy engine oils and hence make a further contribution to reducing fleet fuel consumption.
TECHNICAL CHALLENGES SHAPE THE FUTURE OF INDUSTRIAL LUBRICANTS

HARDWARE IS CHANGING TO MEET THE ENERGY CHALLENGE

MORE GLOBAL COMPLEXITY

A FOCUS ON TOTAL COST OF OWNERSHIP

... CHANGING DEMAND FOR LUBRICANTS ALSO DRIVES AN INTEGRATED SERVICE OFFER
INDUSTRY LUBRICANT TRENDS AND CHALLENGES – SIMILAR THEMES ACROSS DIVERSE SECTORS

INCREASING AND DIVERSE EQUIPMENT DEMANDS

- Energy efficiency, extended maintenance intervals, increased thermal stress, reduced sump sizes, higher operating loads and speeds

DEVELOPING THE RIGHT LUBRICANT SOLUTION CAN REDUCE COST AND PRODUCT USAGE

- Use of higher performance synthetic lubricants can significantly reduce total cost of ownership. Further benefits are available when lubricant choice is combined with smart service strategy.

- Evidence shows leading companies can cut their lubrication costs. For example a Shell customer achieved a 55% reduction with benefits in equipment up-time.
FUTURE INDUSTRIAL LUBRICANTS TRENDS

- Reducing total cost of ownership through collaboration and co-engineering to provide tailored solutions.

- Greater energy efficiency, extended maintenance intervals, more emphasis on lubricant application and technical services.

- Diversification of applications; Emerging technology challenges – e.g. off- and on-shore wind turbines, stationary gas engines, large-scale gas turbines.

- A diverse portfolio of lubricants for multiple applications will be needed for many years to come.

DIVERSIFYING APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS COMBINE WITH INCREASED INTEREST IN USE OF BIO-DERIVED LUBRICANTS AND WASTE OIL RECYCLING.
In a world of rapid technological change, an evolving manufacturing landscape, increasing digital connectivity, rising customer expectations and a revolution in automotive powertrain electrification…

… use of high performance synthetic lubricants designed collaboratively between lubricant suppliers, OEMs and end users is key. Together we can maximize efficiency opportunities and reduce the carbon footprint in automotive and industry sectors.