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General Motors LLC
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Dear dexos® formulators,

General Motors (GM) is pleased to announce that the following API tests will be included in the forthcoming dexos® Gen 4 engine oil specification (“Gen 4”), which will introduce updated performance requirements and test limits to support our next generation of engines and evolving customer needs.

As part of Gen 4, GM intends to include the following ASTM engine sequence tests within the specification:

- Seq. IVB
- Seq. VH
- Seq. VJ (to be incorporated when the test becomes commercially available and sufficiently established for specification use)
- Seq. VIE
- Seq. VIII
- Seq. IX
- Seq. X

The specific limits and acceptance criteria for each of these tests will be revised for Gen 4 to ensure appropriate differentiation and robust protection for GM engines under modern operating conditions. These updated limits will be communicated in detail as the Gen 4 specification is finalized and released.

In parallel, GM will continue to develop and maintain GM-proprietary engine tests and bench-level screening tests to address GM-specific hardware, operating conditions, and performance needs not fully covered by industry-standard tests. Information on any new or revised GM-proprietary or bench tests – including their role within the Gen 4 approval process – will be provided in future communications as development work progresses.

We appreciate the continued collaboration and support of our additive and oil marketer partners as we work together to bring Gen 4 to market. Additional details, including timing,

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final test limits, and implementation requirements, will be sent to the email address on file and documented on the dexos® eSubmission site.

This communication is for informational purposes only and should not be understood to modify any existing agreement(s) or approval(s).

Sincerely,

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