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PURPOSE

To conduct research and development to reduce friction and parasitic energy loss by 30-50%, in truck transmissions and axles used in class 3-8 trucks, is the purpose of this project. Increased efficiency will improve fuel economy by 2-4%, producing a savings of 390 to 780 gallons per vehicle annually, without compromising performance and durability.



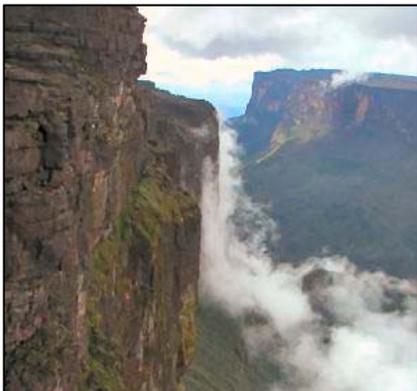
Technical Approach: Formulate an **IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY**

1. Churning losses
2. Surface roughness – super finishing
3. Lubrication effects
4. Coatings
5. Texturing



BARRIERS / RISKS

- Risk of gear and bearing damage with dry, low fill sumps
- Excessive gear pitting, wear and noise from low viscosity lubricants
- Hard debris from delamination and disbond of coatings
- Loss of oil film with excessively smooth, super finished surfaces
- Cost of the technology
- Convincing fleet users the technology provides a tangible benefit



LESSONS LEARNED



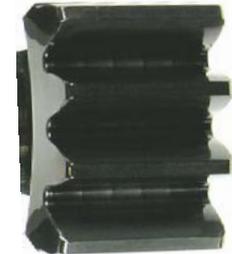
Advanced sumps to reduce churning loss (24-31%)

- Old “dry sump” hardware with spray tubes
- Low volume sump with electronic oil injection
- **RISK: gear and bearing damage on inclines**



Lubricant additives for friction reduction (24-42%)

- Additives to bulk oil
- Demand based additive injection
- **RISK: gear pitting and wear**



Gear coatings for friction reduction (?%)

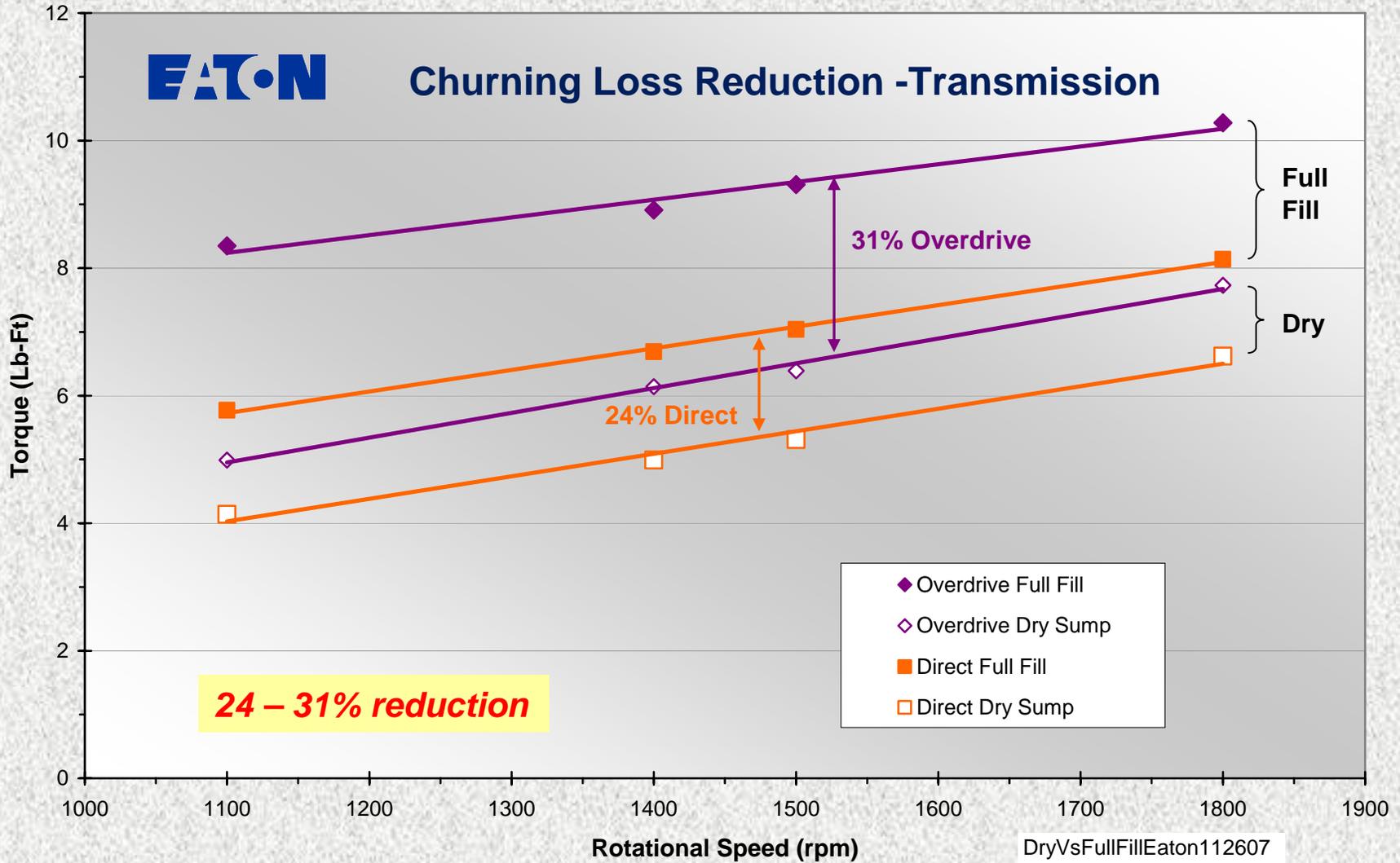
- PVD diamond like carbon, AlMgB, MoN-Cu
- **RISK: coating delamination, disbond, debris**



COMPARISON OF DYNAMOMETER TORQUE FOR FULL FILL VERSUS DRY SUMP FOR ROADRANGER SAE 50 REV 7 LUBRICANT

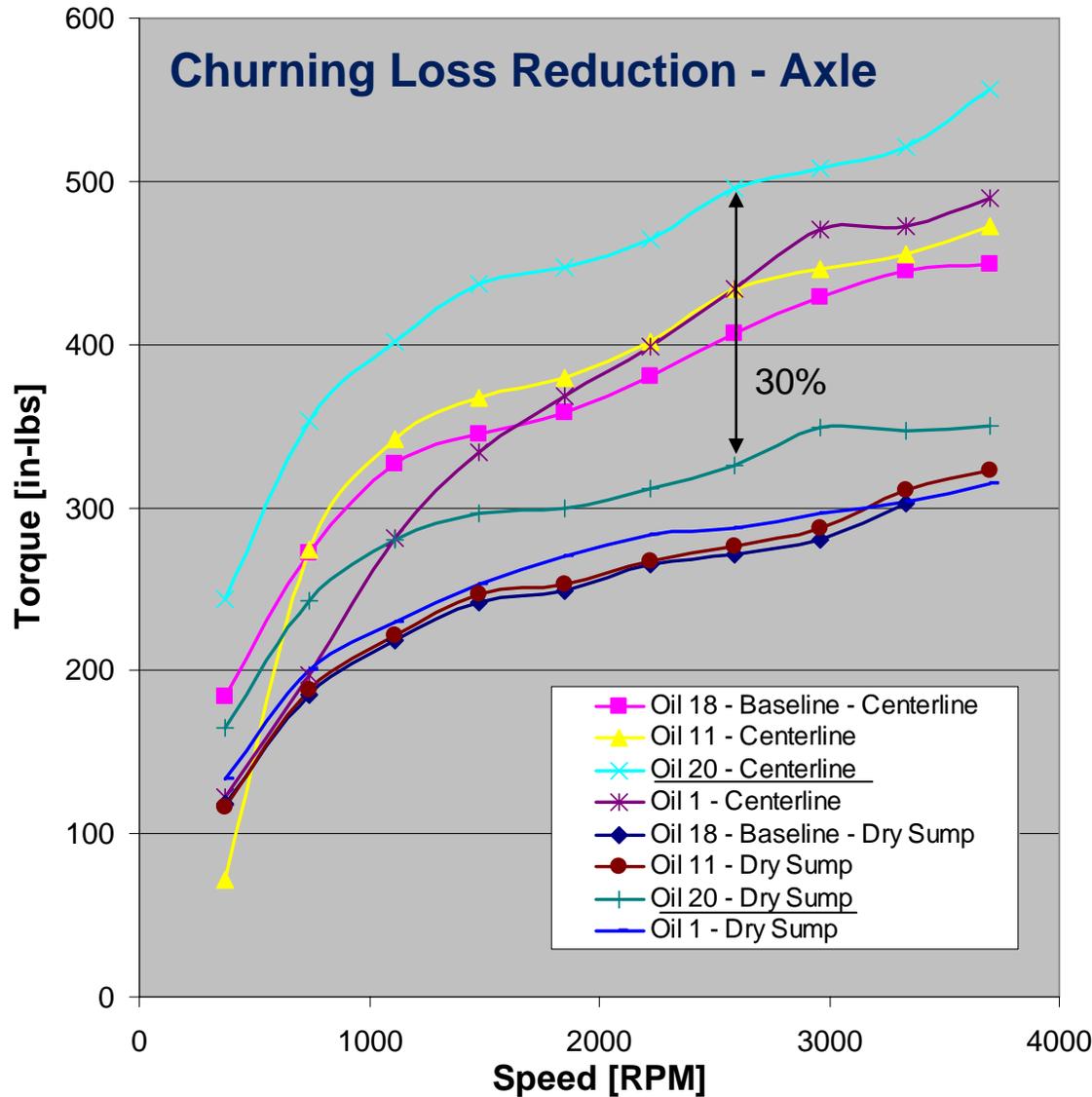


Churning Loss Reduction -Transmission



Parasitic Torque - 30 deg C

86 deg F



Full sump

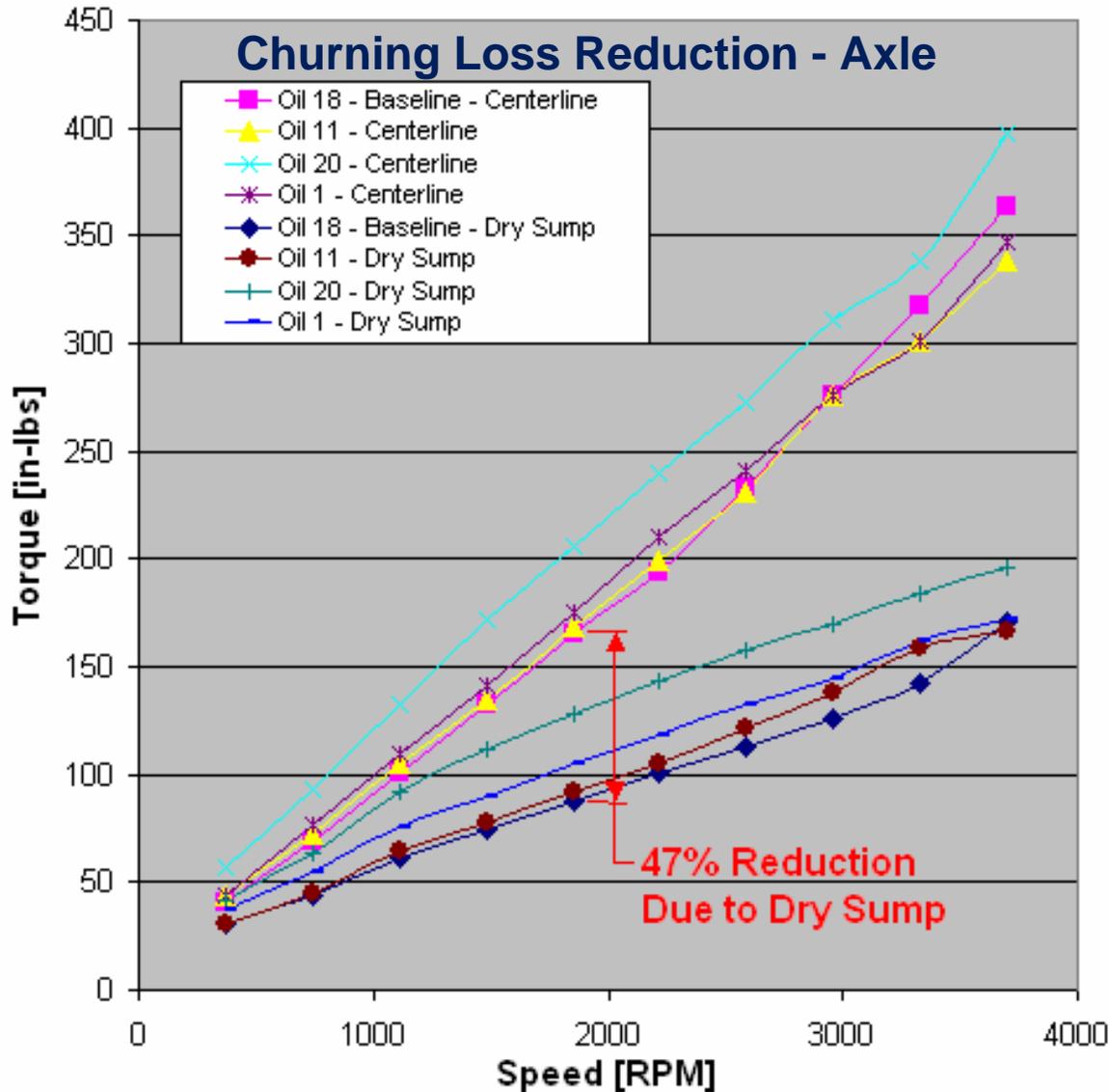
Dry sump

Parasitic torque for four Caterpillar oils tested at 30 degrees C (86 degrees F). For high viscosity Oil #20, the reduction in parasitic torque due to the dry sump exceeds **30 percent**.



Parasitic Torque - 90 deg C

194 deg F



Full sump

Dry sump

Parasitic torque for four Caterpillar oils tested at 90 degrees C (194 degrees F). For baseline Oil #18, the reduction in parasitic torque due to the dry sump exceeds **47 percent**.



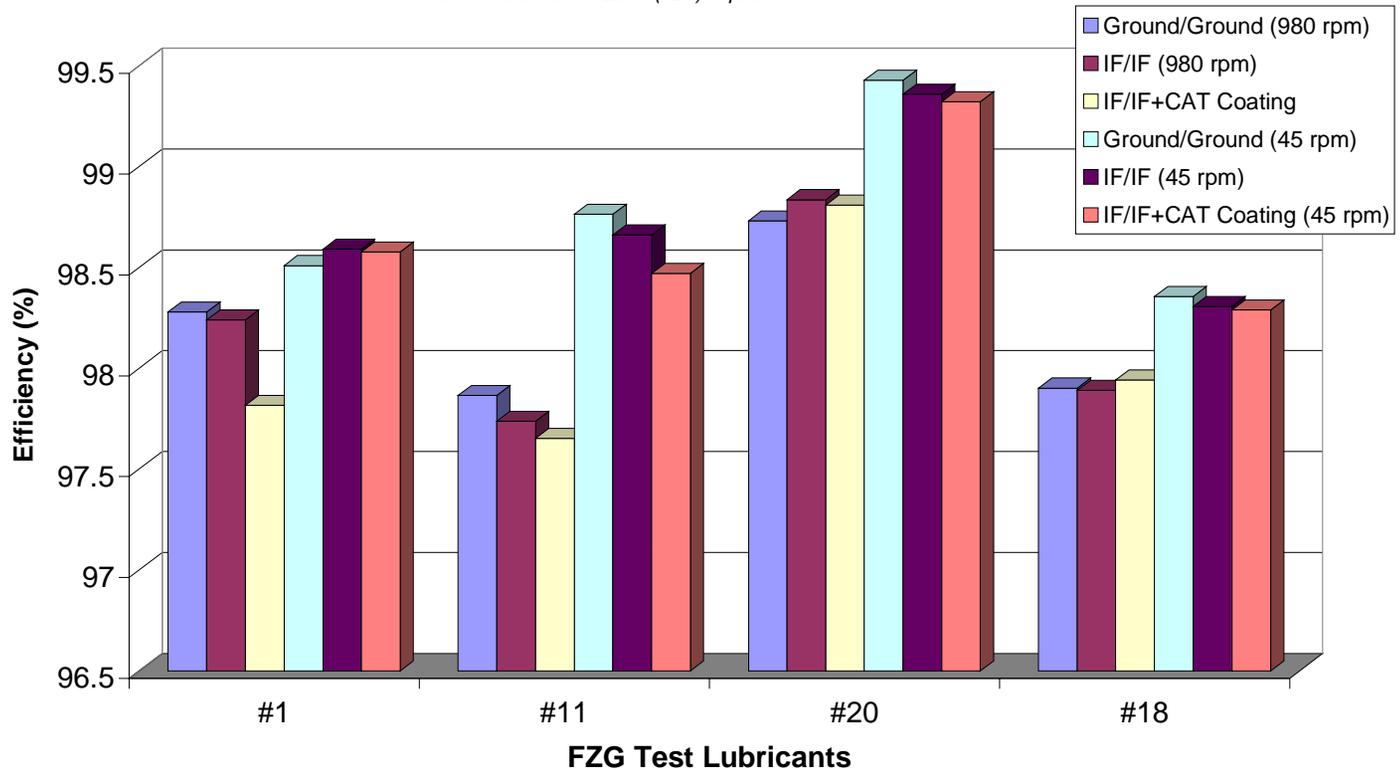
CATERPILLAR LUBRICANTS

FZG tested lubricants

New Lubricant(#20) vs. year 2 selection (#1 and #11) and baseline (#18),

More validation of Lube (#20) is planned

Best



LUBRICANT APPROACHES

Alternatives to Roadranger Rev 7

- PAO base oil
- Friction modifiers
- Anti-wear additives
- **RFY4 oil**
- **RIM 5 oil**; New Castle tester



Reduce friction coefficient for Roadranger Rev 7

- Introduce friction modifiers
- Introduce solid lubricants
- **Rev 7 with RJK5 additive blended in oil**
- **RJK5 dosing additive**

EATON ROADRANGER REV 7 HYBRIDS



Rev 7
modifications

Ann Arbor Testing & Development, Inc.			
FALEX FIXED 4-BALL TEST			
1200 rpm, 40 Kg load, 100 degrees C, 8.0 hours			
TEST NO.	LUBRICANT	FRICITION COEFFICIENT	WEAR SCAR DIAMETER
		(average)	(mm)
H142 Baseline	Eaton Roadranger SAE 50 Rev 7	0.066	0.44
H143	R7L5	0.066	0.44
H144	R7L6	0.066	0.43
H145	R7L7	0.064	0.43
H146	R7H7	0.079	0.45
H147	R7H8	0.074	0.44
C230	Mobil SHC 50 11/12/02	0.119	0.61
H154	Mobil SHC 50	0.123	0.64

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(August 2006)

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High contact stress: >150,000 psi

June 5, 2007

PAO Lube + Additive Formulations*

TEST NUMBER	DESIGN CODE	TEST METHOD CODE	COMPOSITION	FRICTION COEFFICIENT	WEAR SCAR DIAMETER
					(mm)
H142	RFN4		Roadranger SAE 50 Rev 7 Baseline	0.066	0.44
H154	RFN4		Mobil SHC 50 tested 5/25/07	0.123	0.64
H173	RFF3		100-Durasyn 168 PAO	0.132	1.57
H204	RFY4		Durasyn 168 + CK3D + RFF2 + RFY2 + H121 -42%	0.038	0.33
H205	RFY5		Durasyn 168 + CK3D + RFF2 + RFY3 + H121	0.039	0.33
H189	RFN5		96-FCB3 Durasyn 168 PAO + 1-CK3D + 2-RFF2 TechGARD 740 + 1-RFN3 Elco 108	0.039	0.34
H200	RFV3		96-Durasyn 168 + 1-CK3D + 2-RFF2 +1-RFV2	0.04	0.34
H203	RFX3		Durasyn 168 + CK3D + RFF2 + RFV2 + JDF4 + H1.221.3	0.04	0.34
H188	RFN4		96-FCB3 Dursyn 168 PAO + 1-CK3D + 2-RFF2 TechGARD 740 + 1 RFN2 Elco 103	0.040	0.35
H182	RFH9		94-Durasyn 168 PAO + 2-RFF2 TechGARD 740 + 2 RFH3 Lubrizol 5178 F + 2-CK3D	0.040	0.40

-25%

*Lubes from Ann Arbor Testing & Development, Inc

H204 Oil Functional Breakdown

TEST NUMBER	DESIGN CODE	LUBRICANT COMPOSITION	FRICITION COEFFICIENT	WEAR SCAR DIAMETER
				(mm)
H142	RFN4	Roadranger SAE 50 Rev 7 Baseline	0.066	0.44
H154	RFN4	Mobil SHC 50 tested 5/25/07	0.123	0.64
H204	RFY4	PAO + CK3D + RFF2 + RFY2 + H121	0.038	0.33

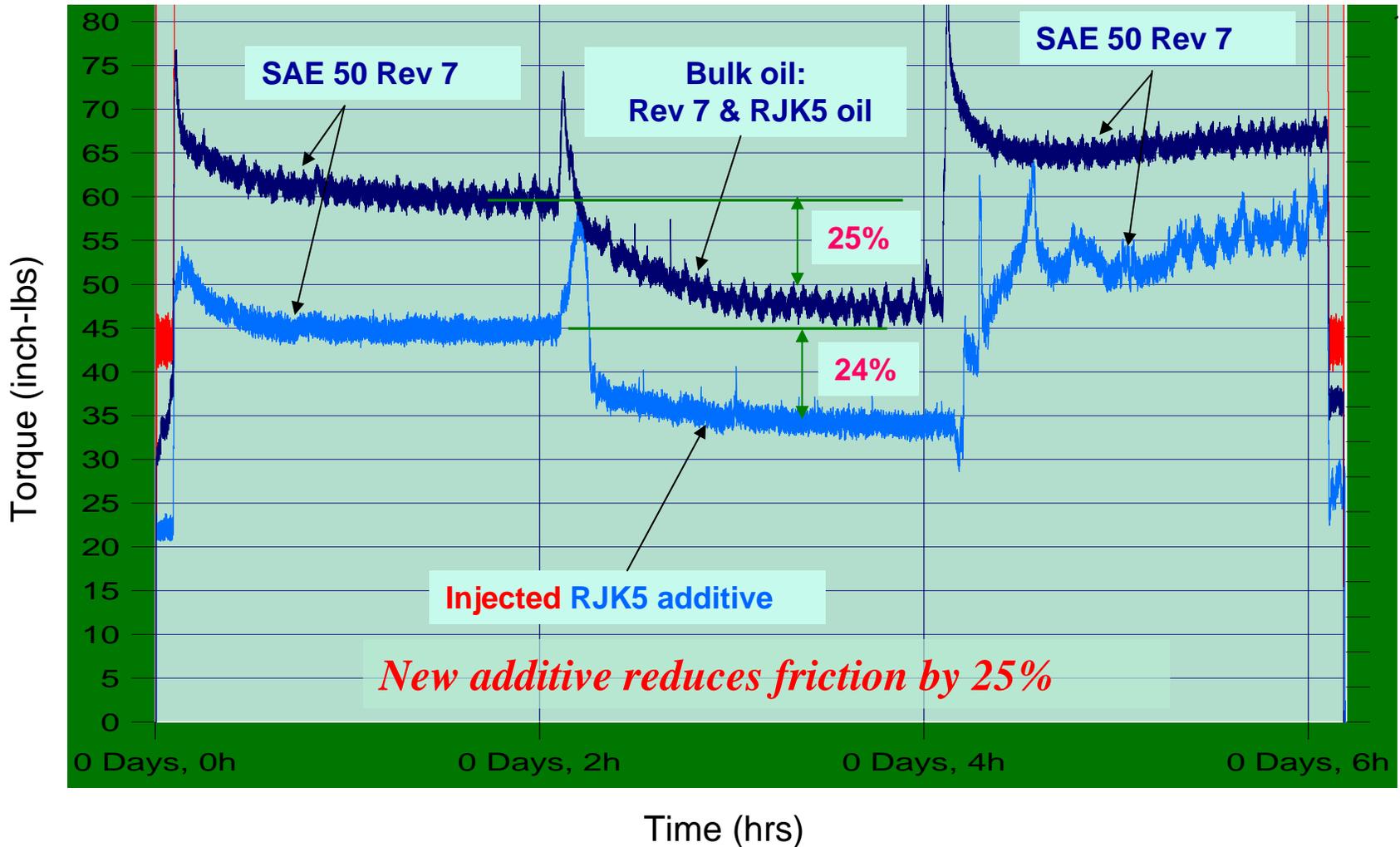
PAO + CK3D + RFF2 + RFY2 + H121

96 PAO Base oil + 1 Friction Modifier + 2 Gear Oil Pkg + 1 Zn Additive



EATON: SWITCHING OIL ON-THE-FLY

STANDARD → NEW ADDITIVE → STANDARD

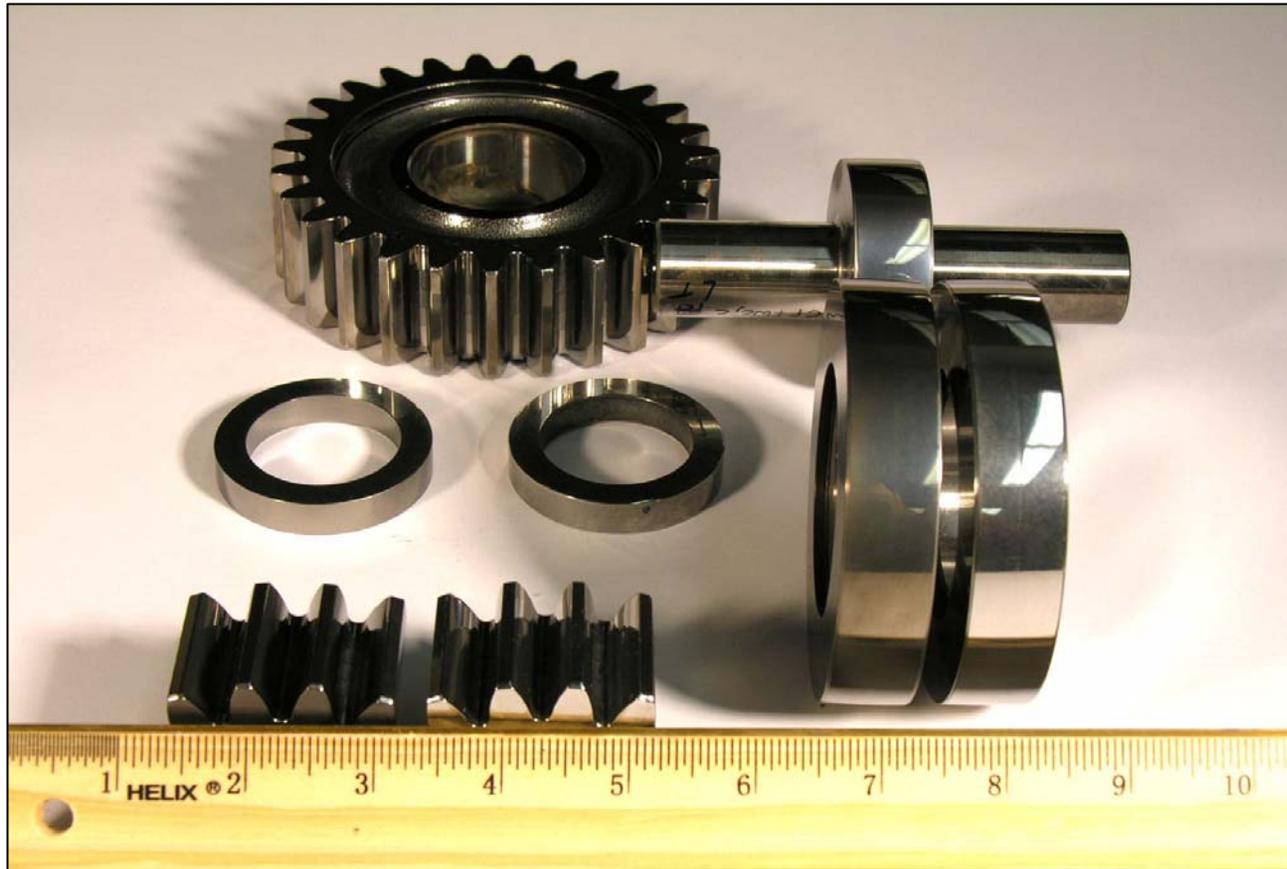


PVD COATING CHALLENGES

Challenges have been identified when PVD (physical vapor deposition) processing is used for coating gears:

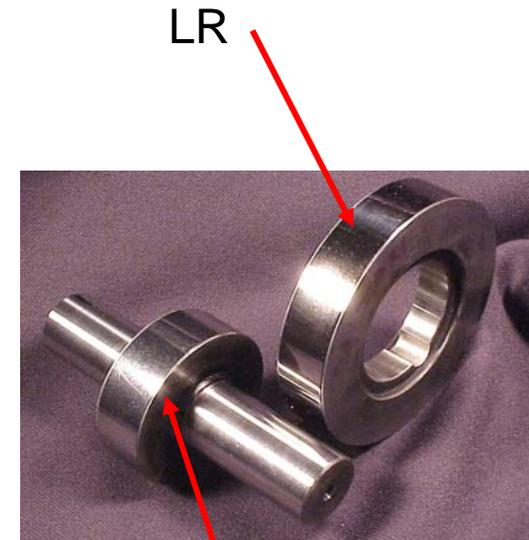
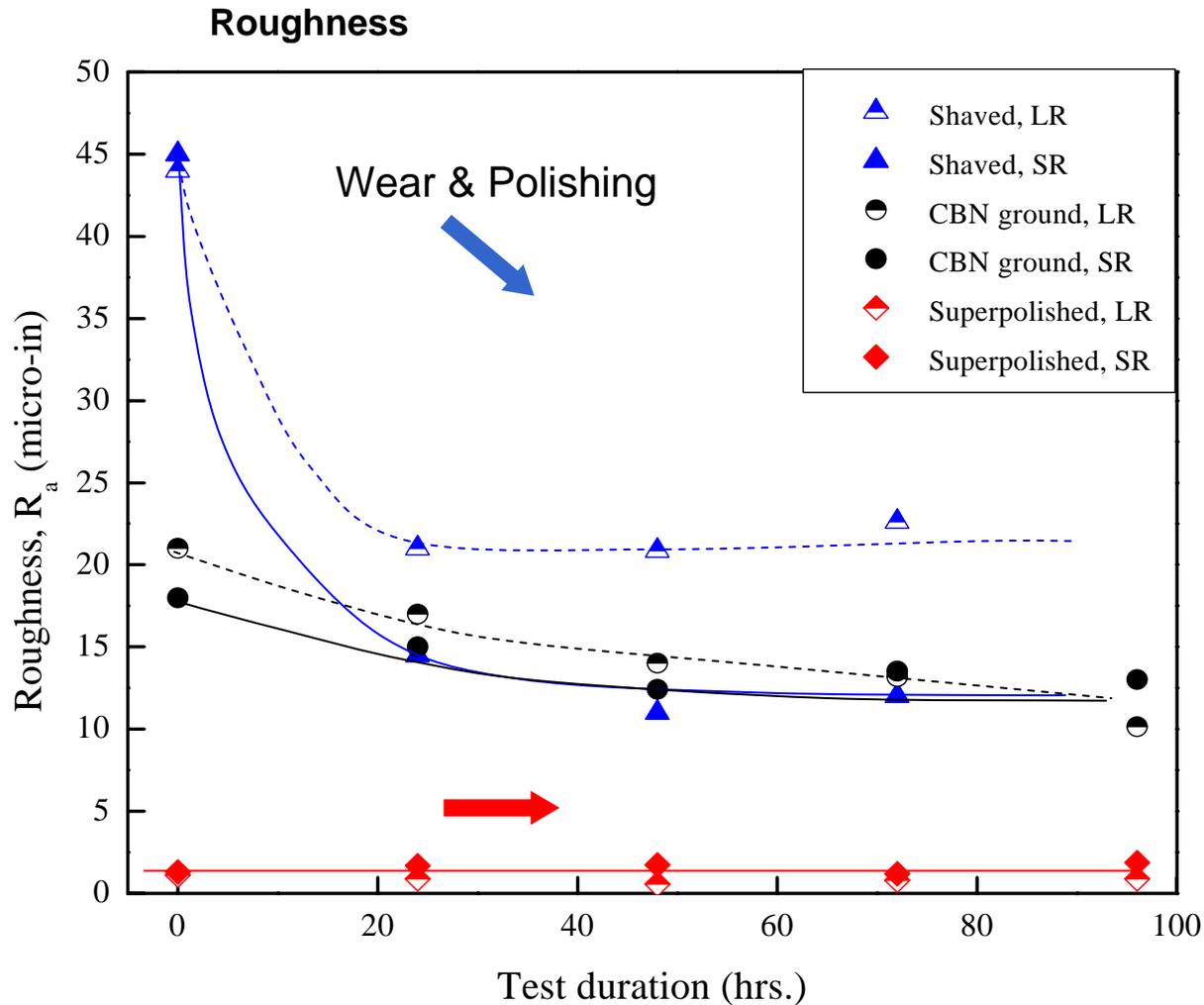
- *Gear geometry*
- *Limited temperature processing*
- *Surface finish*
- *Cost*

PVD GEAR COATING



Eaton spur gear, contact fatigue rollers and Falex ring that have been coated with Diamond-Like Carbon by physical vapor deposition

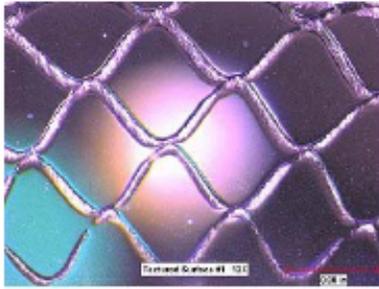
ROLLING CONTACT FATIGUE RESULTS



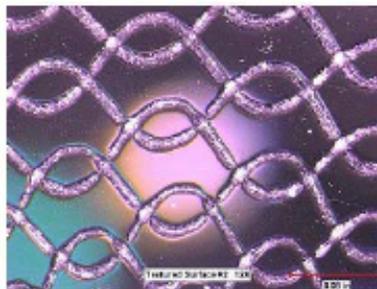
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SURFACE TEXTURING

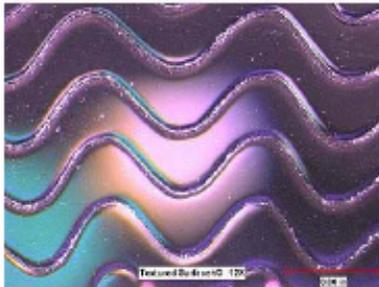
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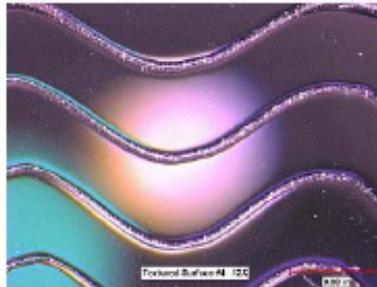
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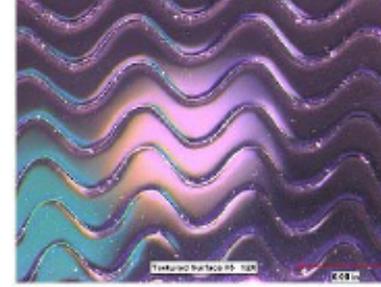
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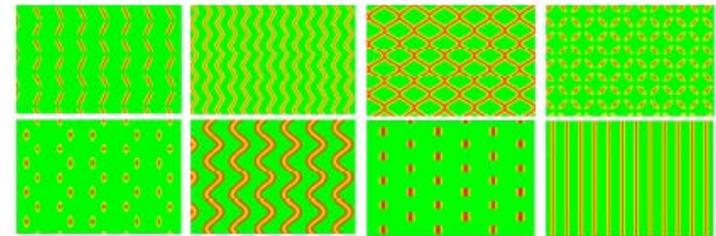


Ring 4



Ring 5

Quarterly Progress Report Q1 2005

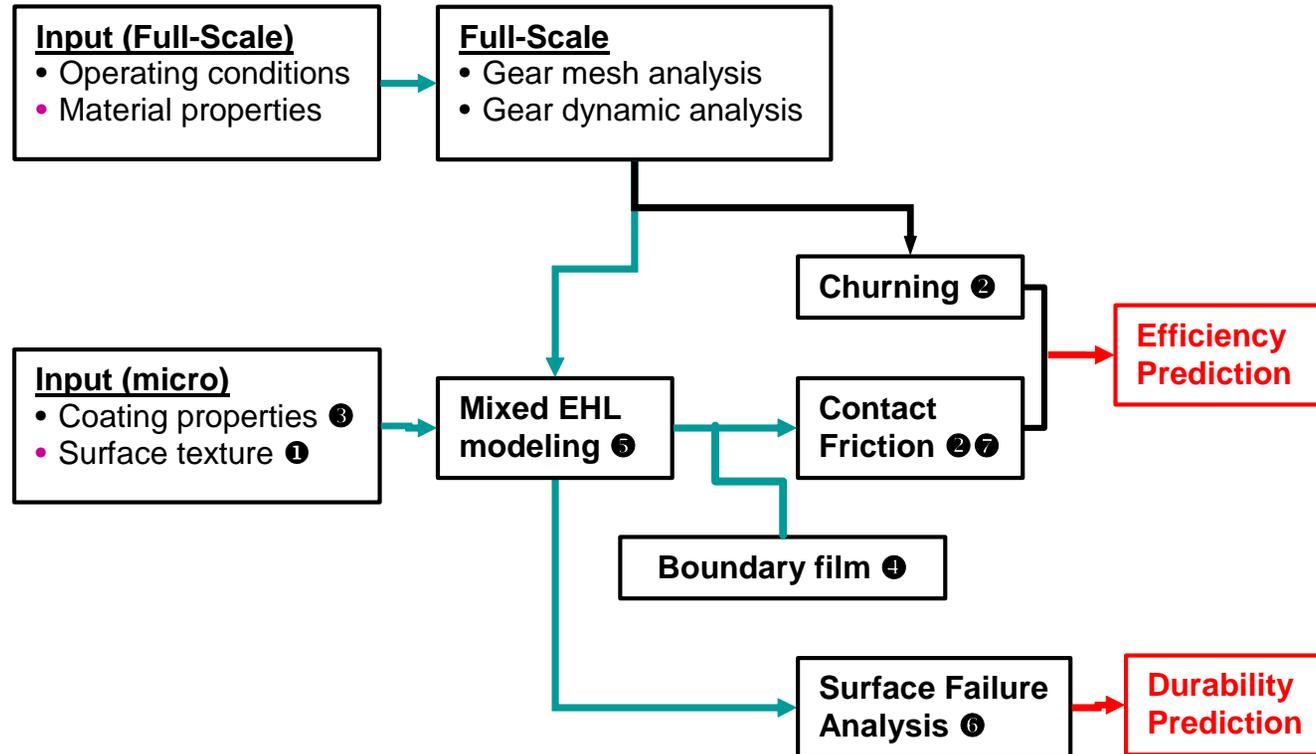


Virtual texturing patterns

Fricso Vibra-grooved samples. Rings 2 and 4 exhibited lowest coefficient of friction in Falex mailbox pin test. Contact stress: ~13,000 psi.

INTEGRATED GEAR DESIGN MODEL

Deliverables 9, 10 &12 BP2
Coatings, Gear Design, Strategy



SUMMARY



- Research has enabled an *initial vision of the efficient powertrain* assembly, *whether a transmission or an axle*
- An efficient powertrain assembly includes
 - **Advanced low fill sump** with **precision oil injection** to the gear mesh and to bearings
 - **Low viscosity synthetic oil**, heavily dosed with friction modifiers and anti-wear additives
 - **Super finished contact surfaces** including gear teeth and rotating elements
 - **Coatings** applied to super finished surfaces
 - Potential to reduce friction and to reduce operating temperature
 - Durability remains an issue requiring further development and testing

SUMMARY data

- A 2-4% improvement in fuel economy correlates to a savings of \$ 1200 to \$2400 per vehicle for the fleet
- More importantly a 2-4% improvement in heavy truck miles per gallon yields a savings of 390 to 780 gallons of diesel fuel per vehicle
- Assuming a population of 2.5 million active heavy trucks in the US and saving 500 gallons per vehicle annually, the fuel savings reaches 1.25B gallons of diesel fuel. This amount of diesel fuel comes from 7.5B gallons of crude oil, roughly 180M barrels.
- If only 20% of the trucks were updated, the savings would be 250M gallons of diesel fuel or 1.5B gallons of crude, about 36M barrels.



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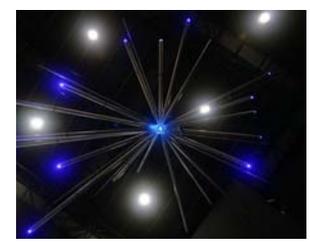
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REFERENCE SLIDES

THE BUSINESS OF EFFICIENCY



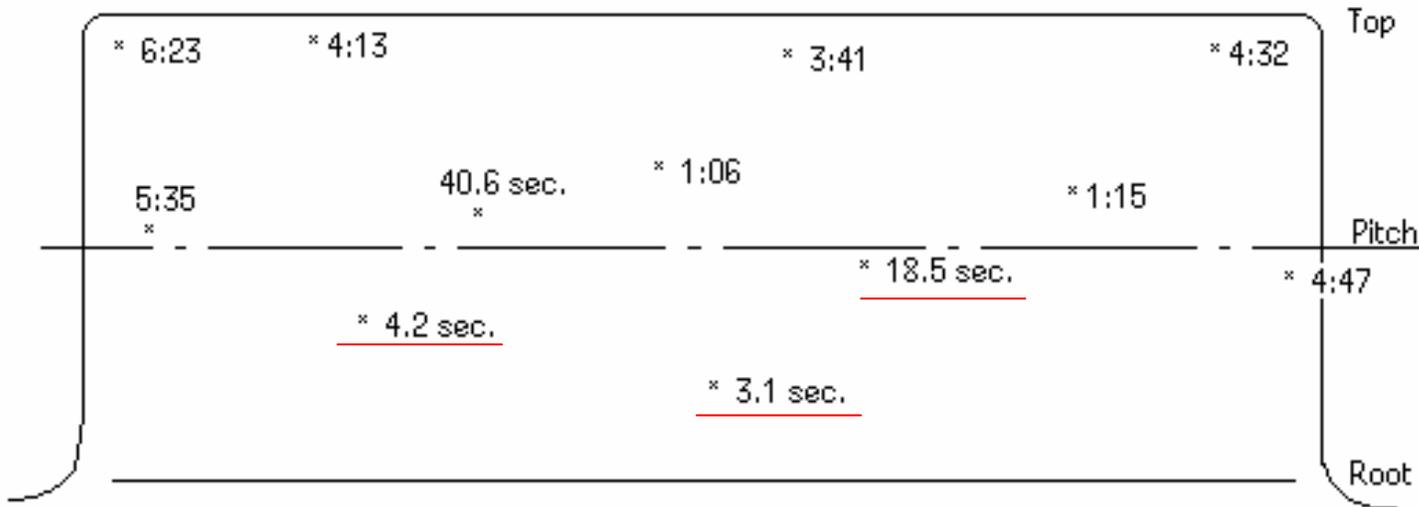
Fuel Economy: miles per gallon; 120,000 miles annually, at 6 mpg = *20,000 gallons* of fuel; 2.0% improvement target

- 2% fuel economy improvement: $.02 * 6 \text{ mpg} = 0.12$ better mpg
- Improved mpg = 6.12 mpg
- $120,000 \text{ miles} / 6.12 \text{ mpg} = 19,608 \text{ gallons}$
- $20,000 \text{ gallons} - 19,608 \text{ gallons} = 392 \text{ gallons saved}$
- $392 \text{ gallons} * \$3.00 \text{ to } \$3.50 / \text{gallon} = \$1,176 \text{ to } \$1,372$ savings annually
- 1,000 vehicle fleet * \$1,000+ savings = >\$1M annually
- Swift Transportation Co., Inc – 18,000 tractors

Coating thickness / adhesion (micro-blasting method)

8206 large gear, micro-blasting test results
 68 psi air pressure, 50 micron glass beads
 (calibration: 7.5 sec.)

Coating: CemeCon TiAlN



Gear Tooth – coating thickness distribution



Spur gear – TiN Coated



Helical gear - Ion Etched

Deliverable 9 & 14 BP2



POWERTRAIN EFFICIENCY

Business Strategy

- Medium and heavy duty trucks; off-highway equipment
- Eaton dominates NA HD truck market, >90% market share
- MD truck market share is 20%, an opportunity for growth
- Fuel savings for fleet customers; 2% improvement in mpg from transmission; additional 2% from axles; \$1200 to \$2400 savings per vehicle for fleet

