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On-road Heavy-duty Engine Off-cycle Emissions gtr (OCE gtr) Status Report for AC.3

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OCE gtr: Background

- Informal group of technical experts under GRPE
 - Regular meetings since 2002
 - 21 Plenary sessions
 - o 6 Editorial sessions
- o June 2008
 - The gtr was submitted as an Informal Document to GRPE
 - o (ECE-TRANS-WP29-GRPE-56-inf14e)

OCE gtr: Key Elements

- The OCE gtr complements the WHDC gtr
 - On-cycle control
 - Off-cycle control
- World-harmonized Not-to-Exceed (WNTE) "Control Area"
 - Large operating zone within which the WNTE emission limits apply
 - WNTE emission limits are stated as a function of the WHDC emission limits
 - WNTE emission limits are slightly higher than the corresponding WHDC emission limits
- Statement of OCE Compliance
 - The manufacturer must provide a statement that attests to compliance with the provisions of the OCE gtr
- OCE Laboratory Test Procedure
 - An optional laboratory test procedure is included
 - Contracting Parties may choose to require testing to verify OCE compliance prior to type approval
- The gtr does not include specifications for in-use vehicle testing or on-vehicle emission measurement equipment
 - But, the WNTE was developed to allow for testing of compliance during in-use, on the road operation of the engine
 - Individual countries and regional authorities may specify their own in-use testing requirements to enforce WNTE

OCE gtr: Performance Requirements

- Emission strategies shall be designed to enable compliance with the gtr
 - A "base emission strategy" shall not discriminate between test cycle operation and other operation and provide lesser emission control during operation not included on the test cycle
 - An "auxiliary emission strategy" shall not reduce emission control unless
 - It operates on test cycles, including the WNTE
 - It provides protection to the engine
 - It operates only on starting or warming up
 - It trades control of one pollutant for another while maintaining acceptable emission control
- An emission strategy that fails to meet the performance requirements is a "Defeat Strategy"
 - Defeat strategies are prohibited by the gtr

OCE gtr: Remaining Issues

- There remain no outstanding issues with the current gtr
- The absence of in-use testing procedures may represent an opportunity for future gtr action.

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 - Engine Manufacturers Association

OCE gtr: Next Steps

- o January 2009
 - The OCE gtr will be submitted on 15 January to the 57th GRPE
- o March 2009
 - The US is optimistic that the OCE gtr will be submitted as an Informal Document to the 25th AC.3