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ExxonMobil Introduces Advanced Ashless Paper Machine Oils

*New Mobil DTE PM® Ashless Series Oils Deliver
Excellent Filterability and Deposit Control,
Helping to Ensure the Life and Performance of Valuable Equipment*

FAIRFAX, VA, November 3, 2003 – To help plant managers in the pulp and paper industry reduce maintenance costs and increase equipment uptime, ExxonMobil has introduced its new **Mobil DTE PM Ashless Series** of paper machine oils.

Formulated with advanced ashless additive technology and high quality base oils, the Mobil DTE PM Ashless Series of paper machine oils meets major bearing and paper machine builder specifications, including Metso and Voith. Available in ISO 150, 220, and 320 viscosity grades, these lubricants offer distinct performance advantages, including excellent filterability and deposit control, to help plant managers ensure the life and performance of their valuable assets.

“Mobil DTE PM Ashless Series of paper machine oils offers the pulp and paper industry a valuable solution to help enhance the performance of their equipment and reduce their maintenance costs,” said Andy Donlon, industrial lubrication adviser, ExxonMobil Lubricants & Specialties. “These new oils have been thoroughly tested in the lab and in the field to ensure they meet the highest standards of performance. Mobil DTE PM Ashless Series oils exhibited exceptional performance in all tests, including wear resistance, filtration, rust inhibition, deposit control and oxidation stability.”

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Due to the extremely wet environment in today's paper mills, paper machines demand oils that retain good filterability in the presence of water. Mobil DTE PM Ashless Series oils were put through the Pall Filterability Test in which the oils are heated and pumped through a three-micron filter to determine the amount of oil filtered relative to the filter pressure. In these tests, the Mobil DTE PM Ashless Series demonstrated excellent performance even in the presence of water – which can help plant managers reduce expenditures on filter elements.

In addition to filtration tests, Mobil DTE PM Ashless oils have undergone extensive research to measure their rust inhibition characteristics. Coupled with photographic test results, the ASTM D665B Test and the ExxonMobil Thin Oil Film Inhibition Test, Mobil DTE PM Ashless oils demonstrated exceptional rust inhibition, which is vital in helping to protect critical parts such as heavily loaded bearings.

With their exceptional deposit control, as shown in the ExxonMobil Paper Mill Dryer Bearing Rig Test, the Mobil DTE PM Ashless Series of paper machine oils can help systems run cleanly and efficiently. These oils were developed to be free of metallic additives and phenols and were measured for toxicity at LL50 Trout Toxicity > 5000 mg/L, helping to ensure that wastewater streams are minimally impacted.

For more information about the Mobil DTE PM Ashless Series of paper machine oils or any other Mobil products and services call 1-800-MOBIL25 or log in at www.mobil.com.

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