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**SUBJECT: SCC (Supreme Chemical Council) Decision
26/2025**

In response to your document with ref. No 30/004/000/601/1-4-2025 by which you forwarded us your proposal on the adoption of an SCC Decision entitled: ***“Lubricants for four-stroke internal combustion engines - Specifications, requirements and test methods”***, we would like to inform you that the Supreme Chemical Council, which we preside over, after examining the matter, at the meeting held on the **7th April 2025** and having worked out the legal-technical aspects of the proposal in question, has decided

unanimously as follows:

**Lubricants for four-stroke internal combustion engines -
Specifications, requirements and test methods.**

Article 1 Purpose

This Decision concerns specifications, requirements and test methods for lubricants for four-stroke internal combustion engines intended to be used for the lubrication of petrol engines and diesel engines of four-stroke internal combustion engines (hereinafter ICE) of various types of vehicles such as two-wheel vehicles, passenger cars, buses, lorries, off-road, etc., as well as outboard motors, which operate under light, medium to heavy conditions in a wide range of ambient temperatures.

Article 2 Types of lubricants for four-stroke ICE - Specifications

1. This Decision includes all viscosity grades of single-type and multi-type lubricants for four-stroke ICE, in accordance with the applicable SAE specification.
2. The lubricants in this Decision correspond to the applicable ACEA and/or API and/or ILSAC quality specifications.

Article 3 Requirements

1. Companies which place on the Greek market, under their own brand name, lubricants that are produced in Greece, in EU or EFTA countries or are imported from third countries, are obliged to submit to the Directorate of Energy, Industrial and Chemical Products of the Directorate-General of the General Chemical State Laboratory (GCSL) of the Independent Authority for Public Revenue (IAPR) a solemn declaration stating the following data for each product:

- a) The trade name and the product code (if applicable).
- b) The physico-chemical characteristics of the product, namely:
 - Specific gravity
 - Total base number
 - Sulphated ash
 - Sulphur
 - Phosphorus

- Calcium
- Barium
- Zinc, etc. (those present in the additives)
- Pour point
- IR spectrum
- SAE viscosity number
- Quality according to API and/or ACEA and/or ILSAC

c) Safety Data Sheet of the final product, provided the conditions of Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 are met, otherwise the conditions of a technical brochure.

d) Licence Agreement with the API or a certificate from a competent authority of the country of production that the product is lawfully marketed in a country of the European Union or a solemn declaration on the quality level achieved by the product, accompanied by the necessary data to prove this, including:

- Origin, ratios and suppliers of the base oils,
- Types, trade names, ratios and suppliers of additives, with the technical brochures of the manufacturing companies, which shall include:
 - i) a general description of the additive
 - ii) the ratios at which it is used and the specifications achieved with these ratios
 - iii) the particulars of the additive, its physico-chemical characteristics and the results of mechanical tests on the additives.

2. If the supporting documents are submitted in accordance with the conditions laid down in paragraph 1 of this Article, the lubricant shall be entered in a list kept by the Directorate for Energy, Industrial and Chemical Products, a list number shall be assigned to the product and the company shall be informed in writing. The list number serves exclusively as a notice of entry in the list and shall not be displayed on the product packaging. All data and documents submitted to the Directorate for Energy, Industrial and Chemical Products for the purpose of registration shall be deemed confidential and shall be handled accordingly.

3. In the event of a change in any of the data referred to in paragraph 1, the submission procedure shall be repeated.

4. The provisions of this Decision shall apply without prejudice to the provisions of Regulation (EU) 2019/515 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 March 2019 on the mutual recognition of goods lawfully marketed in another Member State.

Article 4 **Indications on the packaging**

The labelling on the packaging of lubricants for four-stroke ICE shall indicate:

- The trade name and the type of content
- SAE viscosity number
- Quality level according to ACEA and/or API (and/or ILSAC)
- The content volume
- The trade name and all contact details of the company that places lubricants under its brand name on the Greek market in accordance with Article 3 (1) of this Decision.

In addition, the details indicated on the packaging shall comply with:

a) Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2008 on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures, amending and repealing Directives 67/548/EEC and 1999/45/EC, and amending Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006, as in force.

b) Ministerial Decision on the Codification of Rules for the Marketing and Trade of Products and the Provision of Services (MTPPS Regulations), as in force.

Article 5 **Sampling - Test methods**

Sampling of lubricants for four-stroke ICE shall be carried out in accordance, with the methods and general guidelines of EN ISO 3170. Laboratory testing shall be carried out in accordance with the ACEA and API (and/or ILSAC) specifications applicable at the time of manufacture and, in the absence thereof, in accordance with the EN and ISO specifications. The test results shall be interpreted statistically in accordance with standard EN ISO 4259.

Article 6
Transitional provisions

Lubricants already placed on the market in accordance with Joint Ministerial Decision 526/2004 (Government Gazette 630/B/12.5.2005) shall be deemed to comply with the provisions of this Decision.

Article 7
Repealed provisions

Upon publication of this Decision in the Government Gazette, Joint Ministerial Decision 526/2004 (Government Gazette 630/B/12.5.2005) shall cease to apply.

Article 8
Entry into force

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its publication in the Government Gazette.

THE PRESIDENT

THE SECRETARY

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