



BASE OILS

Produced by Excel Paralubes

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**EXCEL PARALUBES ANNOUNCES IMPRESSIVE ENHANCEMENTS TO
PURE PERFORMANCE 110N AND 225N**

New specifications provide some of the lowest Group II volatility and cold temperature properties, delivering improved economics on popular blends

Excel Paralubes, a leading producer of premium-quality Group II base oils, announced today significant specification upgrades to their Pure Performance® 110N and 225N base oils. These products now offer some of the lowest volatility and cold temperature properties amongst Group II base oils produced in North America, with a potential to deliver improved blend economics.

“We’re excited to be introducing the first in a series of great product innovations,” said Ross Davidson, Manager of Excel Paralubes. “These enhancements demonstrate our greater agility, innovation and vision we pledged at the time of the Excel Paralubes restructuring.”

The enhanced specifications place Pure Performance 110N and 225N at the forefront of the Group II base oils market. While the new properties of these products still meet the prior specifications, in certain lubricant applications they now have the potential to also provide economic benefits through lower blend costs, particularly for certain popular conventional passenger car motor oil and heavy duty engine oil grades.

Designed to add value to the blend formulations, the new specification highlights include:

Pure Performance 110N

- ASTM D5800 NOACK Volatility: 22.0% Max (previously 26.5% Max)
- ASTM D5293 CCS Viscosity: 1350 cP @ -25°C Max (previously 1500 cP @ -25°C Max)
- ASTM D2270 Viscosity Index: 105 Min (previously 95 Min)

Pure Performance 225N

- ASTM D5293 CCS Viscosity: 2800 cP @ -20°C Max (previously 3500 cP @ -20°C Max)
- ASTM D2270 Viscosity Index: 100 Min (previously 95 Min)

“These significant product enhancements come as a result of carefully listening to customers and a deeper understanding of the industry’s evolving needs,” Davidson said. “Excel Paralubes is committed to manufacturing the best Group II base oils in the industry, providing superior solutions to meet all formulation needs.”

About Excel Paralubes

Excel Paralubes LLC is a base oil production facility located in Westlake, Louisiana. Excel Paralubes produces premium Group II base oil that is marketed under the Pure Performance brand and distributed through an extensive rail, truck and barge transportation network. For more information, visit PurePerformanceBaseOils.com. PURE PERFORMANCE® is a registered trademark licensed to Excel Paralubes LLC in the USA and other countries.