



## OEM (INFORMATION) BULLETIN

### STELLANTIS

The Union of the European Lubricant Industry (UEIL) is the umbrella association of the European Lubricants Industry, representing their members and, in particular, the interests of SMEs and independent lubricant companies. To date, the UEIL represents more than 450 lubricant companies, who manufacture and distribute lubricant products under their own various trademarks throughout the European Union. With members in 21 European Countries and a unique collective experience of lubricants and the lubricants market, UEIL is the sole representative body for independent manufacturers of lubricants in Europe and has been recognised as such by the European Commission. It is UEIL's policy to favour free and fair competition within the scope of prevailing EU and national laws.

It is key for UEIL and its members, which defend a free market and fair competition, that motorists can have access to the references of oil technical specifications in owners' manuals and that they can choose between competing products. Otherwise, end-users are deprived of choice and market access for competing products is hampered.

#### **Background of the case**

The FPW9.55535/03 specification was published by Stellantis in July 2023. UEIL members alerted the UEIL Technical & Competition Committee that approval by Stellantis was being delayed or withheld even though their products, developed with additive companies, fully met the original specification's requirements.

In parallel, Stellantis circulated a technical note to its network, which highly discouraged the use of lubricants not approved by Stellantis and stated that the proof of the use of an officially approved product would be required in case of a warranty claim for an engine incident.

#### **State of play**

The UEIL TC/CC contacted Stellantis to share its concerns regarding both the approval procedure and the technical note which contains illegal statements.

In September 2025, Stellantis informed UEIL that:

- the FPW 9.55535/03 specification had been amended in June 2024 to include additional tests.
- the technical note was also amended and on the way of a new publication process in the official network.

The UEIL TC/CC is pleased to share the amended FPW 9.55535/03 standard and the amended technical note [at this link](#).

At the same time, the TC/CC will continue its engagement with Stellantis to bring this case to a full and positive resolution.

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