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   1.2. To assess the ability to differentiate performance and other characteristics between the OEM supplier(s) and alternative sources without the need to do actual on-vehicle testing.
   1.3. To propose updates, improvements, or corrections to draft ATPD-2354 Rev. 10 (disk brakes sections only).

2. Scope.
   2.1. Conduct comparative testing for three test products: OE (a.k.a baseline), Brand “X”, and Brand “Y”. The OE product and Brand “X” were furnished by TARDEC-TACOM, Brand “Y” was furnished by LINK.
   2.2. Conduct three tests on each product for inertia-dynamometer test procedures and six or twelve tests or measurements for sample testing (no dynamic loading or braking events involved).
   2.3. Perform engineering and statistical analysis to determine the adequacy of the different tests to differentiate between/within the three products.
   2.4. Use vehicle or hub-end ratings and components to ensure consistent and repetitive test conditions.
   2.5. Use OE-type of hardware and brake components for all testing.
   2.6. In order to capture different characteristics critical to the proper field service of the brake pads and rotor combination, an assortment of tests was conducted to evaluate physical, performance, durability, and noise properties of the different products tested. The tests conducted were developed as part of the CRADA agreement 05-019 represented by Leo P. Miller for TARDEC-TACOM and Timothy Duncan and Carlos Agudelo for Link Testing Laboratories, Inc.
   2.7. For the purposes of this subject report, the term “significantly” shall be interpreted to mean the assessment of significant difference between the three products is based on statistical evaluation using analysis of means or hypothesis testing to validate the conclusions with a confidence interval of 95% and an $\sigma$-value of 0.05.

3. Definitions.
   ANOM: Analysis of means
   UCL: Upper control limit
   LCL: Lower control limit
   Spigots: Holes in backing plate

4. Summary of results and conclusions.
   4.1. The tests conducted to determine the key physical characteristics on six (6) brake pad assemblies for each of the three products tested (OE, Brand “X”, and Brand “Y”) included the following:
      4.1.1. SAE J160 for dimensional stability testing under thermal loading. This test determines how much the friction product swells when it is heated to 570 °F and how much of that swell remains (growth) after it cools down back to ambient temperature. The test measures the sample deflection as it heats up on a hot platen at 570 °F for 10 minutes with a preload of 7.25 psi. The part is cooled down to ambient temperature, and the sequence is repeated for a second time. The swell of the friction material is an indicator of the propensity for drag between the pads and rotor at high temperature.
      4.1.1.1. The first run showed a significantly different swell for the three products tested, with the OE exhibiting the highest amount of swell, followed by Brand “X” and then by Brand “Y”. See figures 1 and 2.
OE first run swell 80% range 1.19-4.57 with a median of 2.88 x 10^{-3} in.

Brand “X” first run swell 80% range 0.18-1.82 with a median 1.00 x 10^{-3} in.

Brand “Y” first run swell 80% range 0.93-2.46 with a median of 1.69 x 10^{-3} in.

OE second run swell 80% range 1.07 to 3.95 with a median of 2.41 x 10^{-3} in.

Brand “X” second run swell 80% range 0.00-2.51 with a median 1.20 x 10^{-3} in.

Brand “Y” second run swell 80% range 0.10-1.27 with a median of 0.69 x 10^{-3} in.

4.1.1.2. The second run showed a significantly different swell for the three products tested, with the OE exhibiting the highest amount of swell, followed by Brand “Y” and then by Brand “X”. The two runs on the OE product and Brand “X” were not significantly different. The two runs on Brand “Y” were significantly different, which can be an indication of uncured phenolic resin from the manufacturing process. See figures 3 and 4.

SAE J2468 for compressibility at ambient and elevated temperature of 750 °F. This test measures friction material thickness change under loading. Load is applied to the backing plate, using an adapter the same size as the vehicle piston, to simulate brake pressure up to 1,450-psi on the vehicle. Loading is limited to 1,450 psi because higher loading is considered destructive. The change in thickness of the friction material is measured during the loading sequence. The lining compressibility has an effect on the brake fluid displacement and pedal travel as well as noise and roughness propensity.

4.1.2.1. Testing at ambient conditions indicated that the compressibility of the OE product, Brand “X”, and Brand “Y” are significantly different. The OE product exhibited significantly less deflection under load than either Brand “X” or Brand “Y”. All compressibility values are predictable using a normal distribution. See figures 5 and 6.
4.1.2.2. Testing at 750°F showed that the Original Equipment pads exhibited significantly less deflection under load than either Brand “X” or Brand “Y”. See figures 7 and 8.

4.1.3. The SAE J840 procedure for shear testing is the procedure that was used for all shear testing. Shear testing at low temperature of -40 °F and elevated temperature of 750 °F was used to determine the amount of shear force required to cause a shear failure on the brake pad assembly. The shear strength is useful to determine the torque capability of the product based on the mechanical strength of the bonding between the friction material and its backing plate. The test is conducted at two different temperatures to evaluate its ability at low temperatures experienced in cold weather and at elevated temperatures experienced during heavy braking or mountain descents. The shear strength can become a limiting factor for torque output capability during spike stops or vehicle braking under overloaded conditions. All three products exhibited acceptable shear strength by industry standards. The OE exhibited exceptional shear strength.

4.1.3.1. Shear testing at -40 °F exhibited a significant difference in shear load capacity comparing the OE product, Brand “X”, and Brand “Y”, with the OE showing significantly higher loading capacity. See figures 9 and 10. During trial testing on the OE brake pads, the shear load exceeded the machine capability. The friction product on the OE samples was cut to a 3-in wide segment as allowed on the SAE J840. Due to this change and the difference in friction product surface area for Brand “X” and Brand “Y” at the backing plate interface, the results are analyzed as shear strength (load per unit area) to allow a better comparison among the three products. If these test results are used for torque capacity evaluation, calculate the shear load using the shear strength values combined with the corresponding pad area at the backing plate interface.

- OE shear strength 80% range 2,110-2,490 psi with a median of 2,300 psi.
- Brand “X” shear strength 80% range 730-1,100 psi with a median of 915 psi.
- Brand “Y” shear strength 80% range 876-1,080 psi with a median of 977 psi.
4.1.3.2. Shear testing at 750 °F exhibited a significant difference in shear load capacity comparing the OE product, Brand “X”, and Brand “Y”, with the OE showing significantly higher loading capacity. The overall values for Brand “X” and Brand “Y” are significantly lower than the shear load at low temperature. During trial testing on the OE brake pads, the shear load exceeded the machine capability. See figures 11 and 12 and graph 1.

- OE shear strength 80% range 2,060-2,390 psi with a median of 2,230 psi with not significantly different shear strength compared to the -40 °F test.
- Brand “X” shear strength 80% range 521-732 psi with a median of 627 psi, 31% lower than the -40 °F test.
- Brand “Y” shear strength 80% range 564-732 psi with a median of 608 psi, 38% lower than the -40 °F test.
4.1.4. ISO 22541 (FEMFM Website Catalog) for visual inspection

4.1.4.1. The ISO 22541 provides specific criteria for the visual inspection of the brake pad assembly for manufacturing defects on twelve (12) samples. This test focuses on the following 22 different criteria. Gapping, Edge Chipping, Splits, Minor Splits, Plucked and Indented Spigots, Poorly Consolidated Spigot Holes, Excess Adhesive on Plate, Product Flash on Plate, Abrasive Coating, Skin Crazing, Underlayer Distribution, Marking, Un-ground Product Surface, Paint on Friction Product Surface, Surface Blistering, Surface Indentations, Grinding Marks on Product Surface, Higher Porosity Area, Poorly Consolidated Friction Product, Surface Contamination Foreign Matter, Surface Contamination Similar Product, and Friction Surface Structure. Excessive product defects are an indicator of production process problems and should be minimized. Table 1 indicates the summary for the visual inspection and basic quality level assessment.

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Table 1

4.1.4.2. The three products visually inspected were significantly different between them regarding the number of defects. See figure 13.

![One-Way Binomial ANOM for Defects](image)

**Figure 13**

OE, Brand “X”, and Brand “Y”

4.1.4.2.1. The OE pads exhibited the following defects:

- All 12 samples had poorly consolidated spigots.
- 1 of the 12 samples showed poor markings.
- 4 of the 12 samples had unground product surface.

4.1.4.2.2. The Brand “X” pads exhibited the following defects:

- 2 of the 12 samples had edge chipping.
- All 12 samples had poorly consolidated spigots.
- 1 of the 12 samples had excess adhesive on the plate.
- 2 of the 12 samples had product flash on the plate.
1 of the 12 samples was Defective due to an unreadable marking.
5 of the 12 samples had unground product surface.
1 of the 12 samples had paint on the friction product surface.
1 of the 12 samples had surface contamination of a similar product.

4.1.4.2.3. The Brand “Y” exhibited the following defects:
1 of the 12 samples had poorly consolidated spigots.
8 of the 12 samples had unreadable markings.

4.1.5. Measurement of critical dimensions for assembly and proper brake operation. The key parameter measured was the pad assembly thickness. 12 pad assemblies were measured on 8 different locations evenly spaced around the pad perimeter with a standard measuring caliper. Close brake pad dimension tolerances are critical to ensuring proper brake operation.

4.1.5.1. The analysis of results uses ± 3 standard deviations from the 96 measurements taken on the OE pad assemblies (12 pads with 8 measurements each) as the reference parameter for overall pad capability assessment. Average pad thickness for OE Product, Brand “X”, and Brand “Y” were significantly different. See figure 14. Thickness variability was also significantly different for the three products, with Brand “X” showing the largest variability among the three products. See figure 15.

4.1.5.2. The thickness measurement for the OE pad assemblies exhibited 5-out-of-12 assemblies significantly different from the overall mean for that product. See figure 16.
4.1.5.3. The product capability was determined by first creating an Individual chart for the average thickness of the 12 pad assemblies on the OE product. See figure 17. The UCL and LCL were used to determine the overall $+3\sigma$ (±0.00231 in) value. The $\sigma$ calculated from the OE measurements as used to determine the upper and lower specification limits for Brand “X” and Brand “Y”. From the analysis of the OE product, 18.3% of the parts will have a problem if they were to be within the $±3\sigma$ limit specification. See figure 18. The thickness distribution for the OE product does not fit a normal distribution.

4.1.5.4. The Brand “X” pad assembly thickness measurement.

4.1.5.4.1. The average thickness measurement is normally-distributed with an 80% range of 0.626-0.630-in and a median of 0.628-in. See Figure 19. The thickness measurement for the Brand “X” pad assemblies exhibited 10-out-of-12 assemblies significantly different from the overall mean for that product. See Figure 20.

4.1.5.4.2. In absence of an actual specification, the process capability takes the value of $±3\sigma$ (0.00231 in) from the OE to determine the UCL and LCL for Brand “X” and determine the capability metrics. Using the OE as the baseline, 70% of Brand “X” pad assemblies would not be able to meet the control limit specifications. See figure 21.
4.1.5.5. The Brand “Y” pad assembly thickness measurement.

4.1.5.5.1. The average thickness measurement is normally-distributed with an 80% range of 0.6503-0.6514-in and a median of 0.6508-in. See figure 22. The thickness measurement for the Brand “Y” pad assemblies exhibited 6-out-of-12 assemblies significantly different from the overall mean for that product. See figure 23.

4.1.5.5.2. In absence of an actual specification, the process capability takes the value of $\pm 3 \sigma (0.00231 \text{ in})$ from the OE to determine the UCL and LCL for Brand “Y” and determine the capability metrics. Using the OE as the baseline, 10% of Brand “X” pad assemblies would not be able to meet the control limit specifications. Brand “Y” exhibits the lowest thickness variability among the three products measured. See figure 24.
4.1.6. ASTM E10 for Brinell Hardness on metal parts (backing plate for brake pad assemblies and OE brake rotors). The Brinell hardness test is an empirical indentation hardness test. It provides useful information about the product and correlates to tensile strength, ductility, and other physical properties, and may be used in quality control and selection of products. The specific hardness test at a given location may not represent the physical characteristic of the whole part or end product. The Brinell hardness tests are considered satisfactory for acceptance testing of commercial shipments, and they are extensively used in the industry for this purpose. See figure 25 and graph 2.

- OE Brinell Hardness 80% range 149-168 BHN 10/3000 with a median of 158 BHN 10/3000.
- Brand “X” Brinell Hardness 80% range 98-132 BHN 10/3000 with a median of 115 BHN 10/3000.
- Brand “Y” Brinell Hardness 80% range 118-133 BHN 10/3000 with a median of 125 BHN 10/3000. even though the p-value is slightly less than 0.05, there is no strong evidence that the hardness is not normally-distributed in addition to a reasonably fit to a normal distribution by visual assessment.

- The OE product exhibited significantly higher Brinell hardness values, followed by Brand “Y”, and then Brand “X”. See figure 26 and graph 2.
4.2. Friction behavior and performance assessment (SAE J2522). The SAE J2522 Recommended Practice defines an inertia dynamometer test procedure that assesses the effectiveness behavior of a friction product with regard to pressure, temperature, and speed for motor vehicles fitted with hydraulic brake actuation. The actual test sequence includes several groups of brake events at increasing brake pressures, followed by an evaluation of the brake sensitivity to different speeds and temperatures. The test incorporates two (2) fade sections that help determine the product behavior; both when hot and after a severe thermal history has been imposed on it. The effectiveness evaluation of aftermarket friction products benefits greatly by looking at the friction behavior at high temperature twice during the test.

4.2.1. The main purpose of the SAE J2522 is to compare friction products under the most equal conditions possible. To account for the cooling behavior of different test stands, the fade sections are temperature-controlled.

4.2.2. The friction levels during the burnish section were significantly different among all of the tests with some product exhibiting a friction level not yet stable at the completion of the burnish section. Figures 27, 29, and 31 exhibit a graphical comparison of the individual friction level behavior during each burnish sequence for each product and each test.

4.2.3. The OE product shows a predictable friction level during the burnish. The friction level for test OE-2 is significantly higher than the average. The friction level for test OE-3 is significantly lower than the average. See figures 27 and 28.
4.2.4. Brand “X” shows a predictable friction level during the burnish section with test “X-1” indicating a friction level not yet stable at the end of the burnish. The friction level for test “X-1” is significantly higher than the average. Tests “X-2” and “X-3” have friction levels significantly lower than the average. See figures 29 and 30. Figure 29 shows using an individuals chart that all the three tests start with a similar friction level with test “X-1” exhibiting an increase in friction level during the first-half of the burnish.

4.2.5. Brand “Y” shows a predictable friction level during the burnish section with test “Y-3” indicating a friction level not yet stable at the end of the burnish. The friction level for tests “Y-1” and “Y-2” are significantly higher than the average. Test “Y-3” has a friction level significantly lower than the average. See figures 31 and 32. Figure 31 shows using an individuals chart that all the three tests start with a different friction level with test “Y-3” exhibiting an increase in friction level during the burnish.

4.2.6. The overall friction level for the three products are significantly different when comparing friction level during characteristic checks snubs 50-mph to 19-mph at 435-psi and an initial brake temperature of 212 °F at different portions along the test: post-burnish, post speed/pressure sensitivity, after high energy braking, post-fade 1, and post-fade 2.

4.2.7. When analyzing the average friction levels for all the characteristic sections (300, 500, 800, 1000, 1300, and 1500) to the overall mean for all the tests, the Analysis of Means (ANOM) confirms that the friction level was different for the three products. The OE exhibits the highest friction level and Brand “Y” the lowest. See figure 33.
4.2.8. When analyzing the average friction level from the three tests on each product during the characteristic sections 300, 500, and 800, the average friction is normally-distributed with the following friction levels for the median and the 80% range:

- OE product friction 80% range 0.46-0.41 with a median of 0.43.
- Brand “X” friction 80% range 0.413-0.400 with a median of 0.406.
- Brand “Y” friction 80% range 0.41-0.34 with a median of 0.38. See figure 34.

4.2.9. The friction level during the remaining characteristic sections (1000, 1300, and 1500) becomes unstable for all the products and all the tests with no meaningful statistical distribution that predicts accurately the friction behavior. The high temperature (fade 1, hot performance, and fade 2) test sections that run between friction characteristic sections influence the product to a significant extent, more on Brand “Y” than on the OE product or Brand “X”.

- OE product shows no significant difference of each individual section compared to the overall mean friction of 0.45. See figure 35.
- Brand “X” shows a significantly lower friction for section 1500 when compared to the overall mean friction of 0.36. See figure 36.
- Brand “Y” shows a significantly higher friction for section 1300 and significantly lower friction for section 1500 when compared to the overall mean friction of 0.36. See figure 37.
4.2.10. During the speed-pressure sensitivity sections, all the samples (except OE-1 at 25 mph and Brand “Y-3” at 50 mph) exhibit a not significantly different friction level when compared to the overall average friction. Results also show that there is a significant speed sensitivity (decrease) of the friction level from 25-mph to 70-mph for the three products. See Figure 38.
4.2.11. During the same speed-pressure sensitivity sections, all the speed and pressure combinations exhibited *no significant difference* when compared to the average of all speeds and pressure for all products (except 1,160-psi at 50-mph). There are *no significant differences* when comparing the different pressure levels for all products and speeds. See figure 39.

Figure 39
OE, Brand “X”, and Brand “Y”

4.2.12. Fade performance for all products were different from the overall mean friction level. On average, friction levels during fade 1 and fade 2 are different as well. See figures 40 and 41.

Figure 40
OE, Brand “X”, and Brand “Y”

Figure 41
OE, Brand “X”, and Brand “Y”
4.2.13. From the data available, the variability for friction level during the two fade sections was found using a Test for Equal Variances and Levene’s test for any continuous distribution with an α-value of 0.05. See figure 42.

4.2.14. Under the assumption of equal-variability, then a probability plot shows the expected friction ranges for both fade tests on each of the three products. The three products exhibit a friction distribution normally distributed when plotting the average friction level for the three tests on each product. The OE product shows the highest average friction level of 0.36, followed by Brand “X” with a friction level of 0.31, and Brand “Y” with an average value of 0.29. OE product and Brand “Y” showed a not significantly different amount of fade. Brand “X” showed almost twice as much fade versus the OE and Brand “Y” products.

- OE product friction 80% range = 0.38-0.34.
- Brand “X” friction 80% range = 0.38-0.23.
- Brand “Y” friction 80% range = 0.32-0.26.

4.2.15. The OE product showed significantly different average friction levels during each test, but not significantly different variability during the fade 1 and fade 2 test sections. See figures 43 and 44.
4.2.16. Brand “X” showed an average friction level during each test not significantly different to the overall mean friction and not significantly different friction variability during the three tests. See figures 45 and 46.

4.2.17. Brand “Y” showed an average friction level during each test was not significantly different to the overall mean friction and not significantly different friction variability during the three tests. See figures 47 and 48.

4.3. Wet-effectiveness testing was done after the SAE J2522 and before the Hill-hold test using the same hardware. During the wet effectiveness testing on the three products, the brake performs five baseline brake applications from 30 mph at 10 ft/s² deceleration (section 1710), then the brake assembly is sprayed thoroughly for 2 minutes with water, followed by five recovery stops (section 1730) with the same speed and deceleration level of the baseline stops. This test indicates the sensitivity of the material to water. The wet effectiveness sequence resembles the FMVSS 105 wet effectiveness test. The final section (1740) repeats one burnish cycle in preparation for the parking brake that follows and as an additional evaluation of friction recovery post-wet testing which provides temperatures high enough to dry the braking surface.

4.3.1. The three products continued exhibiting a significantly different friction level after this portion of the test with the OE product exhibiting the highest friction level, followed by Brand “Y” and then by Brand “X”. See figure 62.
Among the three products, the OE showed the most stable friction and least water sensitivity, followed by Brand “X” and Brand “Y”. Brand “X” exhibited the most stable friction comparing pre and post-wet friction. Brand “Y” showed an unusually high friction level during the baseline section and showed the lowest friction during the wet section. See figures 63-65 and graph 3.
Hill-hold ability was conducted after the SAE J2522 and after the Wet-effectiveness using the same brake hardware. At the end of all the SAE J2522 tests, the service and parking brake (using increasing brake pressure for the service brake or increasing cable load on the parking brake but not with both acting at the same time) was conducted in accordance with the ATPD 2354 Rev. 10 section 5.6 TOP 2-2-608. At each input pressure or cable load, the maximum torque that the brake can hold was measured at the point of breakaway. The test results and reports provide a reference value to compare against the torque required to hold the vehicle stationary on a given slope at different loading conditions. The following equation provides the calculations to compare the brake hill-holding ability with the required brake output (4 systems for service brake operating on the 4 wheels or 2 parking brakes operating on the rear wheels only). Loads other than GVW can be used by replacing the GVW term with the hub rating times the number of wheels operational for the hill-holding maneuver. The calculation takes into account the multiplying factor coming from the wheel-end gear reduction. See equation 1.
For the brake to be able to hold the vehicle on a $x\%$ grade, the following equation shall be satisfied:

$$T_{Brake} \geq \frac{GVW \cdot \sin[\arctan(x\%/100)] \cdot SLR}{12 \cdot n \cdot i}$$

where:

- $T_{Brake}$ = torque developed by a single brake at a given brake pressure or cable load
- $GVW$ = Gross Vehicle Weight in lbs (12,100 lbs for this analysis)
- $x\%$ = percentage grade under analysis (60% for this analysis = 31°)
- $SLR$ = static loaded radius (17.72 in for this analysis)
- $I$ = wheel-end geared hub ratio (1.92 for this analysis)
- $n$ = number of brakes operational during the hill-hold maneuver or test (4 for service brake and 2 for parking brake for this analysis)

Using the values above indicated, $T_{Brake}$ has to be above 1,200 lb·ft for four wheels acting during service brake hill-hold test and above 2,400 lb·ft for two wheels acting during parking brake hill-hold testing.

**Equation 1**

4.4.1. Hill-hold ability using service brake only. From the torque measurements taken, the OE, Brand “X”, and Brand “Y” products exhibited a **significantly different** hill-holding capability in both directions (forward and reverse) using the service brake. The top graphs show total torque output and bottom graphs show specific torque (torque/pressure). The specific torque is the value used for the statistical comparison of the three tests. *See figures 49-52.*
4.4.2. From the torque measurements taken, the OE and Brand “X” exhibited a not significantly different specific torque when comparing forward and reverse direction using the service brake. Brand “Y” exhibited a significantly lower specific torque during the reverse hill-hold test. See figures 53-55.
4.4.3. Hill-hold using parking brake mechanism only showed from the torque measurements taken that the OE, Brand “X”, and Brand “Y” products exhibited a significantly different hill-holding capability in both directions (forward and reverse) using the parking brake system, with Brand “X” exhibiting significantly higher torque output than the other two products, especially at higher cable loads in the reverse direction. See figures 56-59.
4.4.4. From the torque measurements taken, the OE and Brand “X” exhibited a not significantly different specific torque when comparing forward and reverse direction. Brand “Y” exhibited a significantly lower specific torque during the reverse hill-hold test using the parking brake mechanism. See figures 60 and 61 and graphs 4 and 5.
4.5. Jennerstown effectiveness and fade test (Laurel Mountain descent dynamometer test) starts with the Jennerstown inertia-dynamometer test replicating the green effectiveness at 20 mph and increasing brake pressures up to 2,000 psi or a limiting deceleration level of 1 g (32.2 ft/s²), burnish at three different temperatures (300 °F, 400 °F, and 475 °F), baseline effectiveness at 30 mph with controlled deceleration, repeat effectiveness at 20 mph and additional effectiveness at 40 mph, finishing with the first fade derived from the Laurel Mountain descent and one (1) hot stop which happens at the bottom of the hill in the vehicle test. The test continues with the durability test that simulates three Cross Country cycles, each cycle consists of 4 trips sections followed by a fade and hot stop. The lining and rotor are measured for wear and inspected for durability and structural integrity after each cycle.

4.5.1. Jennerstown effectiveness at 20 mph and increasing pressures test includes several effectiveness sections at 20 mph to characterize the friction level before the first and after each Cross Country section from an initial temperature of 150 °F or less at increasing pressures from 200 psi to 2,000 psi or until the deceleration limit is reached.

4.5.1.1. The three products exhibited significantly different friction levels when compared among themselves during the 20 mph effectiveness sections. The OE product exhibited the highest friction level compared to the overall mean, followed by Brand “Y”, with Brand “X” exhibiting the lowest. See figure 66.
4.5.1.2. The OE product and Brand “X” during the different 20 mph effectiveness sections (110, 190, 270, and 350) exhibited no significant difference in friction level when comparing the three tests with the friction level being normally-distributed. Brand “Y” friction was significantly different among the three tests hence individual normal distribution plots show the friction levels during the section. See figures 67-69.

- OE product friction 80% range 0.39-0.53 with a median of 0.46.
- Brand “X” friction 80% range 0.25-0.34 with a median of 0.29.
- Brand “Y-1” friction 80% range 0.26-0.39 with a median of 0.33.
- Brand “Y-2” friction 80% range 0.29-0.40 with a median of 0.35.
- Brand “Y-3” friction 80% range 0.30-0.44 with a median of 0.37.
4.5.2. Jennerstown effectiveness at 40 mph and increasing pressures follows the 20 mph effectiveness by a similar series of brake applications from a speed of 40 mph.

4.5.2.1. The three products exhibited significantly different friction levels when compared among themselves during the 40 mph effectiveness sections. Brand “Y” exhibited the highest friction level compared to the overall mean, followed by the OE product, with Brand “X” exhibiting the lowest. See figure 70.
4.5.2.2. The friction levels for each product are not significantly different when comparing the three tests conducted for each product. A normal distribution plot for the average of the three tests can represent the OE product. Brand “Y” is normally-distributed when plotting each test individually as well. See figures 71 and 72.

- OE product friction 80% range 0.30-0.42 with a median of 0.36.
- Brand “X-1” friction 80% range 0.30-0.35 with a median of 0.32.
- Brand “X-2” friction 80% range 0.27-0.36 with a median of 0.30.
- Brand “X-3” friction 80% range 0.30-0.37 with a median of 0.31.
- Brand “Y-1” friction 80% range 0.31-0.45 with a median of 0.38.
- Brand “Y-2” friction 80% range 0.34-0.47 with a median of 0.41.
- Brand “Y-3” friction 80% range 0.33-0.48 with a median of 0.41.

4.5.3. Jennerstown fade and hot stop

The Jennerstown dynamometer test replicates the fade snubs from 30 mph to 25 mph from the vehicle test at 14-second intervals. All products exhibited a significantly different friction behavior when compared among themselves and among the three individual tests conducted on each product.

4.5.3.1. The OE product exhibited a friction level and variability significantly different comparing the three individual tests. OE-2 product showed significantly lower friction levels and with less variability as well. See figures 73 and 74.
4.5.3.2. Brand “X” did exhibit significantly different friction levels but not significantly different variability during the fade sections. See figures 75 and 76.

4.5.3.3. Brand “Y” exhibited significant variation in friction and significant friction variability during the fade and hot stop sections. Brand “Y-1” exhibited a significantly higher friction level and significantly larger variability compared to the overall friction mean and friction variability, respectively. See figures 77 and 78.

4.5.3.4. The friction levels for each product are significantly different when comparing the three products. The OE product cannot be represented by a single distribution for the three tests. A 3-parameter lognormal distributions seems to work for the OE-1 and OE-2 products. OE-3 is more unstable showing a combination of two statistical distributions. Brand “X” exhibits a 3-parameter-lognormal distribution when plotting
each test individually, and Brand “Y” is normally-distributed when plotting each test individually. See figures 79-81.

- OE-1 product friction 80% range 0.63-0.49 with a median of 0.56.
- OE-2 product friction 80% range 0.38-0.29 with a median of 0.32.
- OE-3 product friction 80% range 0.60-0.39 with a median of 0.50.
- Brand “X-1” friction 80% range 0.29-0.26 with a median of 0.27.
- Brand “X-2” friction 80% range 0.29-0.26 with a median of 0.27.
- Brand “X-3” friction 80% range 0.31-0.26 with a median of 0.28.
- Brand “Y-1” friction 80% range 0.54-0.41 with a median of 0.47.
- Brand “Y-2” friction 80% range 0.44-0.38 with a median of 0.41.
- Brand “Y-3” friction 80% range 0.448-0.33 with a median of 0.41.

Figure 79
OE

Figure 80
Brand “X”
4.6. Noise evaluation (Jennerstown Cross Country 3 cycles dynamometer test) is the main durability portion of the test and consists of a dynamometer simulation of the Cross Country driving route on US Route 30 from Ferretton, PA to Grandview, PA and back. The Cross Country portion combines different speeds and deceleration levels at certain cycle times on the inertia-dynamometer which equates to a given distance on the vehicle test. Noise levels, and percentage of noisy events above 70 dB[A] (which is considered the minimum peak level for the noise spectrum to consider the event as noisy during inertia-dynamometer testing), are shown below along with dominant frequencies for each product. The frequency of interest is 2-17 kHz for knuckle fixtures since it is within the audible and useful range for the human ear. A calibrated high-quality microphone was placed inside the brake enclosure to measure and record the noise spectrum during every single brake event during the entire test, 4-inches in front of the hub face and 20-inches above the drive axle centerline.

4.6.1. The OE product was the loudest and most frequently noisy product. The noise level was significantly different among the three tests. The dominant frequencies with noise levels above 70 dB[A] were: 6.5-7 kHz, 9.5-10 kHz, and 11-12 kHz. Every stop during all three tests on the OE pads was above the noise threshold of 70 dB[A]. See figures 82-85.
4.6.2. Brand “X” was quieter, with “X-3” being the one with the largest amount of events above the threshold of 70 dB[A]. The dominant frequencies with noise levels above 70 dB[A]
were: 2-5 kHz, and 11-12 kHz. The noise level was significantly different among the three “X” tests. See figures 86-89.

- “X-1” 15% of noisy events.
- “X-2” 12% of noisy events.
- “X-3” 44% of noisy events.
4.6.3. Brand “Y” was moderately noisy, with “Y-1” being the one with the largest amount of events above the threshold of 70 dB[A]. The dominant frequencies with noise levels above 70 dB[A] were: 6.5-7.2 kHz, and 10.5-11.2 kHz. The noise level was significantly different among the three tests. See figures 90-93 and graph 6.

- “Y-1” 65% of noisy events.
- “Y-2” 29% of noisy events.
- “Y-3” 26% of noisy events.
4.7. Wear measurements were taken during Jennerstown test and all tested parts were subjected to three Cross Country Cycles, each comprised of four round trips before each Cross Country and Jennerstown Fade Cycle. The Brand “X” pads showed the least amount of wear losing on
average 0.033 inch of friction product per pad during the course of the test. The OE pads exhibited the greatest amount of wear losing on average 0.093 inch of friction product per pad during the course of the test. The graph below combines all the measurements averaged for the three tests on each product (OE product, Brand “X”, and Brand “Y”) after confirming that there were no significant wear variations within each product. The three products exhibited a significantly different wear throughout the course of the tests. See figures 94-97 and graphs 7-12.

![Graph of ANOM HMMWV Jennerstown pad wear](image1)

**Figure 94**
OE, Brand “X”, and Brand “Y”

![I Chart of OE avg wear by step](image2)

**Figure 95**
OE

![I Chart of X avg wear by step](image3)

**Figure 96**
Brand “X”
Figure 97
Brand “Y”

Graph 7

Graph 8

Graph 9
4.8. A fourth test was conducted on the Brand “X” product to assess the effect of a burnish procedure taken from the FMVSS 105 requirements. Burnish snubs were made from 40 mph to 20 mph at 1-mile intervals and 10 ft/s². Cooling air speed on the dynamometer was adjusted to keep the outer pad temperature in the 600-640°F range. This test exhibited a significantly lower number of noisy snubs than the other 3 Jennerstown tests on the Brand “X” product. The overall average dB[A] level for this test was also lower than the other 3 tests. Total wear during this test was significantly greater than the other 3 Brand “X” test due to the additional burnish snubs. Wear between cross-country cycles was not affected by the burnish procedure and is similar across all 4 Brand “X” Jennerstown tests.

4.9. Dual-ended dynamometer pitch-and-yaw assessment (dual-ended SAE J2522) tests were conducted in order to determine the front-to-rear (pitch) or side-to-side brake balance (yaw) when combining different friction products on different corners. Three dual-ended tests were conducted using the OE product on one side and Brand “X” on the other side. Three additional tests were conducted combining the OE product on one side and Brand “Y” on the other side. The tests showed a significant difference between the friction levels on both sides. This friction level differences in combination with actual vehicle speed, pedal effort, brake temperature, and the combination of friction products on the other two wheel-ends will impact the actual vehicle
pitch-and-yaw rates and the ability to stop within a certain distance, wheel lockup, or control of the braking maneuver (straight-line or braking on a turn).

4.9.1. OE in combination with Brand “X” friction levels during the three dual-ended tests showed a significant difference for most of the test sections, with significant differences during the post-burnish sections especially during the fade sections with the OE friction level almost twice as high as the Brand “X” friction level. See figures 98 and 99. The values below apply to the two-fade sections combined.

- OE product friction 80% range 0.30-0.35 with a median of 0.32.
- Brand “X” product friction 80% range 0.19-0.37 with a median of 0.26.

4.9.2. OE in combination with Brand “Y” friction levels during the three dual-ended tests showed a significant difference for most of the test sections. See figures 100 and 101. The values below apply to the two-fade sections combined.

- OE product friction 80% range 0.31-0.35 with a median of 0.33.
- Brand “Y” product friction 80% range 0.24-0.32 with a median of 0.28.

4.9.3. OE during both sets of testing (OE versus Brand “X” and OE Brand “Y”) showed that friction levels during the six dual-ended tests (3 versus Brand “X” and 3 versus Brand “Y”) were not significantly different during all of the test sections. See figures 102 and 103.
4.10. The rotor crack and strength test (ATPD 2354 Rev. 10 Appendix E) was included to determine rotor resistance to cracking or breaking during repeated dynamic loading cycles. This test was not intended to characterize wear, noise or friction product performance. The rotor crack and strength test is Appendix E to ATPD 2354 Rev. 10. The tested HMMWV platform is in category TV2 as defined by the procedure; Truck and Van, GVW >7.7Klb and <25Klb. The test starts with a burnish sequence of alternating deceleration levels to bed the pads to the rotor. Following the burnish sequence is the crack cycle. The crack cycle consists of high speed braking cycles, continuous braking cycles and alternating conditioning cycles. The crack cycle is run 10 times through and is followed by the strength cycle. The test parts were inspected after the 10th cycle of the crack test. The OE HMMWV rotor was found to be cracked through the entire braking surface into the rotor hat and was unable to run the strength test. A recommendation has been made in section 6.4. See pictures 1 and 2.
7. The statistical evaluation was completed using Minitab version 15. If different sets of data (different sections during the same test, different products, or different tests on the same product) are *not significantly different* or are *significantly different*, the report uses statistical tools in order to draw the corresponding conclusion using numerical, non-subjective, evaluation. The statistical evaluation uses the two following parameters:

- 95% Confidence interval for all parameter calculations.
- \(\alpha\)-level (p-value) of 0.05. With an \(\alpha = 0.05\), the chance of finding an effect that does not really exist is only 5%.

7.1. Probability plots. Probability plots are useful to determine if a given set of data (compressibility, shear strength, swell, friction level, etc.) fit a specific statistical distribution. If the data set is found to follow a given distribution (typically normal distribution for data distributed equally around the mean, and lognormal or 3-parameter lognormal for data that is clustered on the upper or lower range, or data that has a physical limit – noisy stops are above 70 dB[A]), you can estimate the main parameters (mean and standard deviation), and estimate the population percentiles (typically 10, 50, and 90%). In the example on Figure 106, the data fits a normal distribution (p-value is higher than 0.05), the mean pad thickness is 0.628-in, and the thickness is 0.626-in 10% or less of the time, is 0.628-in or less 50% of the time, and 0.631-in or less 90% of the time. In probability distribution, whenever the p-value is higher than 0.05, for a given distribution, the dataset is considered to follow that specific statistical distribution. In addition to the median (50-percentile), the 80% range (between the 10-percentile and the 90-percentile) is used to characterize the sample.

![Probability Plot of X avg](image)

*Figure 106*

7.2. Analysis of Means (ANOM) the reports use the ANOM main effects plot to test the hypothesis that each factor level mean is equal to the overall mean at an \(\alpha\)-level you specify. The main effects plot shows the following:

7.2.1. Plotted points – the sample means at each factor level: 0.035 for “OE avg wear”; 0.023 for “X avg wear”; and 0.013 for “Y avg wear” on Figure 107.

7.2.2. Center line (green) – the overall mean: 0.02389 on Figure 107.

7.2.3. Lower and upper decision limits (red) – used to test the hypothesis. Minitab looks for sample means located beyond the decision limits and marks them with a red symbol. 0.02895 and 0.01884 respectively on Figure 107.

7.2.4. If a sample mean is located beyond a decision limit, you can reject the hypothesis that the mean is equal to the overall mean. “OE avg wear” and “X avg wear” on Figure 107.

7.2.5. If a sample mean falls within the decision limits, you cannot reject the hypothesis that the mean is equal to the overall mean. “Y avg wear” on Figure 107.
7.3. Test for equal variances checks the hypothesis that the population variance (scatter) of the different data sets is equal. The main parameter that provides the verification is the p-value under the Levene’s test for continuous data not necessarily following a normal distribution. If the p-value is 0.05 or less you can conclude that, the variances are different. From the example on Figure 108 you can conclude that the variances are not different (p-value of 0.052 for Levene’s calculation). The graph also shows the nominal standard deviation (blue dot) and the range for the standard deviation that you can expect 95% of the time (range line). This analysis is useful for comparing dimensional data variation and friction change during fade testing.

7.4. Individual control chart is used to show single data items and assess if the data set is predictable or not. If the data is mostly within the Upper Control Limit and the Lower Control Limit, the measurement is predictable. See Figure 109. Individual control charts also allow the display of several data sets by staging it using a certain parameter like the product name (Y1, Y2, and Y3) on Figure 110.
7.5. Capability analysis allows the ability of a given measurement or parameter to be within product or process specification. It assumes a normally distributed data. The data set from Figure 111 shows on the encircled values that the overall population of thickness measurements will be below the Lower Specification Limit 350,790 times out of 1,000,000 times or 35% of the time; and we be above the Upper Specification Limit 350,688 times out of 1,000,000 times or 35% of the time. The graph overlays the actual histogram and the normal distribution curve for a visual examination of how well the data resembles a normal distribution curve.

7.6. Scatter plots with a linear regression line shows the individual data points and tries to suit the data to a regression that will have approximately the same level of scatter around the regression line. See Figure 112.

7.7. Individual data plots show the scatter (individual data points) and the mean (blue symbol) See Figure 113.
7.8. Hypothesis testing for significant differences.

7.8.1. Whenever the p-value is less than 0.05, the data available on the different tests or sections under comparison indicate the fact that you can accept the hypothesis that the sets are **significantly different**.

7.8.2. Whenever the p-value is higher than 0.05, the data available on the different tests or sections under comparison indicate the fact that you cannot reject the hypothesis that the sets are **not significantly different**.

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