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The first edition of this publication, developed in conjunction with the UK Petroleum Industry Association's Pipeline Additive Working Group, was published in November 1997. Experience gained by operators using the document led to improvements incorporated in the second edition in 2001 and the third edition in 2016.

This fourth edition has been prepared by the El's Aviation Committee in conjunction with organisations having interests in the pipeline transfer of petroleum fuels and additive manufacturers.

The testing outlined in this publication is intended to provide risk management information for use in the assessment of new additives prior to their actual use in a pipeline. It describes the minimum information required from suppliers and shippers of additive-containing products in multi-product pipeline systems that co-transport jet fuel. It is intended to demonstrate to pipeline operators and other interested parties that these products will not subsequently adversely affect jet fuel, or have an adverse effect on pipeline operations as part of an ordered management of change process.

This publication is intended for use internationally by pipeline operators, fuel suppliers and additive companies involved in fuel supply through multi-product pipelines where jet fuel is co-transported with other distillate fuels, gasoline grades and clean fuel components.

The key changes included in this fourth edition are:

- An update to the procedure involving assessment of the impact on filter/water separator water removal performance of a candidate additive. This 'water mapping screening' provides a riskmanaged approach to assessing additive suitability by reference to known additive impact on El 1581 filter/water separator performance.
- Clarification that 'water mapping screening' is recommended but not mandatory if a pipeline trial (which is optional) has been undertaken.
- Clarification that the scope is limited to surfactant additives only.

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