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RE: "303" Tractor Fluid Sales

Dear Valued North Carolina and Surrounding Area Customers,

The State of North Carolina, through the Motor Fuels Division of the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, has issued a "Stop Sale Order" on all products labeled with "303" effective, July 20th, 2018. Retailers have 6 months to remove these products from shelves. **Consequently, Martin Lubricants will discontinue sales of Xtreme Pure-Flo Tractor Hydraulic and Transmission Fluid into the State of North Carolina effective immediately.**

**A suitable replacement for a "303" THF is Xtreme Fluid 334.** Xtreme Fluid 334 has been approved for sale in the state of North Carolina. This product is a universal, multi-purpose lubricant for farm, construction, and logging equipment that requires frequent fluid replacement. In addition, Martin will continue to sell our Gard™ Tractor Hydraulic and Transmission Fluid that fully meets the John Deere J20A specification. This product will come with warning language stating the product is not recommended for use in mobile equipment made after 1990 from other manufacturers.

Martin will continue to offer premium solutions as well that meet J20C and J20D. For customers with modern equipment, Xtreme Premium HD Tractor Hydraulic Fluid is the product that best suits their needs in normal operating conditions. For extreme temperature operating ranges we recommend SynGard Premium Tractor Hydraulic Fluid that meets the J20D specification.

We understand this may create some hardship for you and your customers. I would encourage you and any of your customers to contact Stephen Benjamin with the North Carolina Standards Division via phone at 1-919-707-3226 with any questions or concerns about the State's decision.

Best regards,

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