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1. A lubricating composition comprising:
- a base oil;
- a detergent; and
- an amine compound having the following general formula (I):

$$R^1NHR^2 \quad (I)$$

wherein R^1 represents a hydrocarbyl group containing 1 to 50 carbon atoms and R^2 is selected from the group consisting of H and a hydrocarbyl group containing 1 to 50 carbon atoms;
wherein the amine compound is present at a level of greater than 0.3 wt% and less than 2.5 wt%, by weight of the lubricating composition.

2. Lubricating composition according to Claim 1 wherein the amine compound is present at a level in the range of from 0.4 wt% to 2.4 wt%, by weight of the lubricating composition.

3. Lubricating composition according to Claim 1 or 2 wherein the amine compound is present at a level in the range of from 0.5 wt% to 2.0 wt%, by weight of the lubricating composition.

4. Lubricating composition according to any of claims 1 to 3, wherein R^2 represents H.

5. Lubricating composition according to any of claims 1 to 4, wherein R^1 represents a hydrocarbyl group containing 8 to 30 carbon atoms, preferably 10 to 24 carbon atoms, more preferably 12 to 18 carbon atoms.

6. Lubricating composition according to any of claims 1 to 5, wherein the composition comprises from 0.01 wt.% to 2.0 wt.% of the amine compound having general formula (I), based on the total weight of the composition.

7. Lubricating composition according to any of claims 1 to 6, wherein the composition comprises at least 4 wt.% of the detergent, preferably at least 10 wt.%, more preferably at least 15 wt.%, based on the total weight of the composition.

8. Lubricating composition according to any of claims 1 to 7, wherein the detergent is selected from a sulphonate-type detergent, a phenate-type detergent, or a mixture thereof.

9. Lubricating composition according to any of claims 1 to 8, wherein the composition has a Total Base Number (TBN) value of at most 75 mg KOH/g, preferably at most 70 mg KOH/g, more preferably at most 65 mg KOH/g, even more preferably at most 60 mg KOH/g (in particular according to ASTM D 2896).

10. Lubricating composition according to any of claims 1 to 9, wherein the composition has a kinematic viscosity at 100°C of above 5.6 mm^2/s and below 21.9 mm^2/s, preferably above 12.5 mm^2/s, more preferably above 14.3 mm^2/s.

11. Lubricating composition according to any of claims 1 to 10, wherein the composition contains no other additives than one or more detergents, one or more dispersants and one or more amine compound(s) having general formula (I).

12. Lubricating composition according to any of claims 1 to 11, wherein the composition is a marine diesel engine oil, preferably a marine cylinder oil.

13. A lubricating composition comprising:

- a base oil;
- a detergent; and
- an amine compound having the following general formula (I):

$$R^1NHR^2 \quad (I)$$

wherein R^1 represents a hydrocarbyl group containing 1 to 50 carbon atoms and R^2 is selected from the group consisting of H and a hydrocarbyl group containing 1 to 50 carbon atoms;

wherein the amine compound is present at a level of greater than 0.3 wt%, by weight of the lubricating composition;

and wherein the composition has a Total Base Number (TBN) value of at most 65 mg KOH/g, even more preferably at most 60 mg KOH/g (in particular according to ASTM D 2896)

14. Use of a lubricating composition according to any of claims 1 to 13, in order to improve one or more of corrosive wear protection properties (in particular according to ASTM G181), BN retention and BN usage properties (in particular as measured according to ASTM D 2896).

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wherein the amine compound is present at a level of greater than 0.3 wt%, by weight of the lubricating composition,
wherein the detergent is selected from neutral and over-based metal detergents having a Total Base Number according to ASTM D 2896 of from 20 to 450, wherein the composition comprises at least 8 wt% of the detergent, based on the total weight of the composition, and wherein the composition has a Total Base Number (TBN) value according to ASTM D 2896 of above 20.0 mg KOH/g.

2. Lubricating composition according to Claim 1 wherein the amine compound is present at a level of less than 2.5 wt%, by weight of the lubricating composition.

3. Lubricating composition according to Claim 1 or 2 wherein the amine compound is present at a level in the range of from 0.4 wt% to 2.4 wt%, by weight of the lubricating composition.

4. Lubricating composition according to any of Claims 1 to 3 wherein the amine compound is present at a level in

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6. Lubricating composition according to any of claims 1 to 5, wherein R^1 represents a hydrocarbyl group containing 8 to 30 carbon atoms.

7. Lubricating composition according to any of claims 1 to 6, wherein the composition comprises at least 10 wt.% of the detergent, based on the total weight of the composition.

8. Lubricating composition according to any of claims 1 to 7, wherein the detergent is selected from a sulphonate-type detergent, a phenate-type detergent, or a mixture thereof.

9. Lubricating composition according to any of claims 1 to 8, wherein the composition has a Total Base Number (TBN) value of at most 75 mg KOH/g according to ASTM D 2896.

10. Lubricating composition according to any of claims 1 to 9, wherein the composition has a Total Base Number (TBN) value of at most 65 mg KOH/g according to ASTM D 2896.

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12. Lubricating composition according to any of claims 1 to 11, wherein the composition contains no other additives than one or more detergents, one or more dispersants and one or more amine compound(s) having general formula (I).

13. Use of a lubricating composition according to any of claims 1 to 12, in order to improve one or more of corrosive wear protection properties according to ASTM

G181, BN retention and BN usage properties as measured according to ASTM D 2896.