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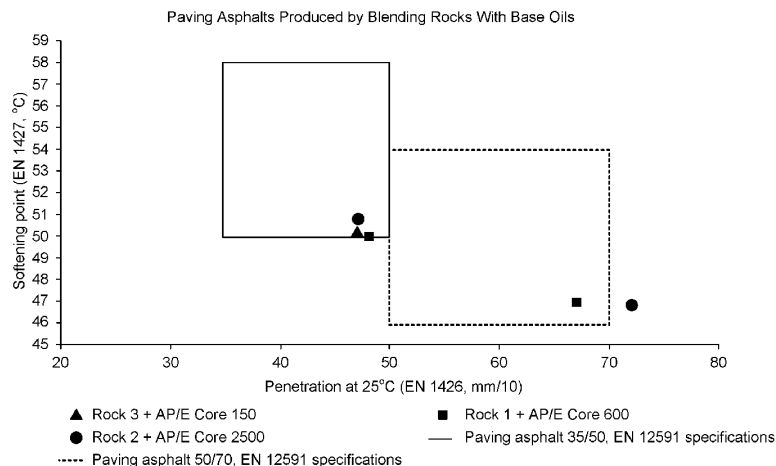


FIG. 2.

(57) Abstract: Asphalt compositions are provided that correspond to blends of lubricating oil base stocks with deasphalter residue. It has unexpectedly been found that lubricating oil base stock can be blended with deasphalter residue to form asphalts that can satisfy the specification for various types of paving and/or roofing asphalts. As a result, lubricating oils can be used as a blend stock for uplift of deasphalter residue to asphalt while reducing, minimizing, or even eliminating the need to blend the deasphalter residue with a conventional vacuum distillation bottoms fraction.

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