The Claims defining the invention are as follows:

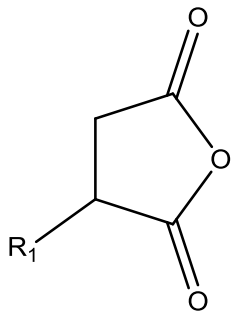
1. A method of maintaining static friction in an internal combustion engine comprising a crankcase and at least one of a gear and a wet-clutch, the method comprising supplying to the crankcase and at least one of the gear and wet-clutch a lubricating composition comprising:

(a) an oil of lubricating viscosity; and

(b) the reaction product of a hydrocarbyl-substituted succinic anhydride and aminosalicylic acid.

2. The method of claim 1, wherein the reaction product is a succinimide acid.

3. The method of claim 1 or claim 2, the hydrocarbyl-substituted succinic anhydride or reactive equivalent having the Formula (1):



Formula (1)

wherein R^1 is a hydrocarbyl group containing from 10 to 100 carbon atoms.

4. The method of any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein the hydrocarbyl substituent of the hydrocarbyl-substituted succinic anhydride comprises a polyolefin.

5. The method of any one of claims 1 to 4, wherein the polyolefin comprises an ethylene-propylene copolymer.

6. The method of any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein the hydrocarbyl substituent of the hydrocarbyl-substituted succinic anhydride comprises a polyisobutyl group.

7. The method of claim 6, wherein the polyisobutyl group has a number average molecular weight of at least 400, or 500 or 800, from 800-3000, or 800-1,500.

8. The method of any one of claims 1 to 7, wherein the aryl compound is an amine-substituted benzoic acid or derivative thereof.

9. The method of any one of claims 1 to 8, wherein the aminosalicylic acid is 5-aminosalicylic acid.

10. The method of any one of claims 1 to 9, wherein the reaction product is present at 0.5 wt % to 1.2 wt %, or 0.1 wt % to 4 wt % or 0.25 wt % to 2 wt % of the lubricating composition.

11. The method of any one of claims 1 to 10, wherein the lubricating composition is supplied to the crankcase and to the at least one gear (or multiplicity of gears).

12. The method of any one of claims 1 to 10, wherein the lubricating composition is supplied to the crankcase and the wet clutch.

13. The method of any one of claims 1 to 12, wherein the lubricating composition is supplied to the crankcase and both the gear (or gears) and the wet clutch.

14. The method of any one of claims 1 to 13, wherein the lubricating composition further comprises an additional friction modifier for the reduction of dynamic friction, comprising one or more of an antiwear agent, a dispersant, a metal-containing detergent, a viscosity index improver, an antioxidant, an anti-foam, and a pour point depressant.

15. The method of any one of claims 1 to 14, wherein the internal combustion engine is a 4-stroke engine.

16. The method of any one of claims 1 to 15, wherein the 4-stroke engine is a motorcycle engine.