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(54) Title: CATALYST ACTIVATORS COMPRISING EXPANDED ANIONS (57) Abstract A compound useful as a catalyst activator corresponding to the formula: $(A^{+a})_b(Z^*J^*)^{-c}_d$ wherein: A^* is a cation of charge $+a$, Z^* is an anion group of from 1 to 50 atoms not counting hydrogen atoms, further containing two or more Lewis base sites; J^* independently each occurrence is a Lewis acid coordinated to at least one Lewis base site of Z^* , and optionally two or more such J^* groups may be joined together in a moiety having multiple Lewis acidic functionality, j is a number from 2 to 12 and a, b, c , and d are integers from 1 to 3, with the proviso that $a \times b$ is equal to $c \times d$.		