WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A lubricating oil composition for a hybrid engine comprising:

(a) a major amount of an oil of lubricating viscosity;

(b) a borated dispersant in an amount to provide 40 to 400 ppm of boron to lubricating oil composition;

(c) an overbased calcium salicylate or a mixture of an overbased calcium sulfonate and overbased calcium salicylate individually having a total base number of greater than 150 mg KOH/g, measured by the method of ASTM D-2896, present in an amount that provides 950 ppm to 1800 ppm of calcium to the lubricating oil composition;

(d) zinc dithiophosphate (ZnDTP) in an amount to bring from 100 to 800 ppm of phosphorus to the lubricating oil composition; and

(e) a non-dispersant comb polymethacrylate (PMA) viscosity index improver (VII), and

wherein the KV at 100 ºC of the lubricating oil composition is from 6 cSt to 8.5 cSt, the KV at 40 ºC of the lubricating oil composition is from 25 cSt to 35 cSt, and the VI of the lubricating oil composition is greater than 200.

2. The lubricating oil composition of claim, further comprising:

one or more magnesium-containing detergents in an amount to provide 100 to 600 ppm of magnesium to the lubricating oil composition.

3. The lubricating oil composition of claim 1, wherein the borated dispersant is a borated succinimide dispersant.

4. The lubricating oil composition of claim 1, further comprising a molybdenum-containing compound in an amount to provide 50 to 1000 ppm of molybdenum to the lubricating oil composition.

5. The lubricating oil composition of claim 1, further comprising a friction modifier, ashless anti-wear additive, antioxidant, metal deactivator, seal swell additive, foam inhibitor, or viscosity modifier.

6. The lubricating oil composition of claim 1, wherein the zinc dithiophosphate is zinc dialkyldithiophosphate.

7. The lubricating oil composition of claim 1, wherein the oil of lubricating viscosity is a Group III base oil.

8. A method of lubricating a hybrid engine, the method comprising providing the hybrid engine with a lubricating oil comprising:

(a) a major amount of an oil of lubricating viscosity;

(b) a borated dispersant in an amount to provide 40 to 400 ppm of boron to the lubricating oil composition;

(c) an overbased calcium salicylate or a mixture of an overbased calcium sulfonate and overbased calcium salicylate individually having a total base number of greater than 150 mg KOH/g, as measured by the method of ASTM D-2896, present in an amount that provides 950 ppm to 1800 ppm of calcium to the lubricating oil composition;

(d) zinc dithiophosphate (ZnDTP) in an amount to provide 100 to 800 ppm of phosphorus to the lubricating oil composition;

(e) and a non-dispersant comb polymethacrylate (PMA) viscosity index improver (VII),

wherein the KV at 100 ºC of the lubricating oil is from 6 cSt to 8.5 cSt, the KV at 40 ºC of the lubricating oil composition is from 25 cSt to 35 cSt, and the VI of the lubricating oil composition is greater than 200.

9. The method of claim 8, wherein the lubricating oil further comprises:

one or more magnesium-containing detergents in an amount to provide 100 to 600 ppm of magnesium to the lubricating oil composition.

10. The method of claim 8, wherein the borated dispersant is a borated succinimide dispersant.

11. The method of claim 8, wherein the lubricating oil further comprises a molybdenum-containing compound in an amount to provide 50 to 1000 ppm of molybdenum to the lubricating oil composition.

12. The method of claim 8, wherein the lubricating oil further comprises a friction modifier, ashless anti-wear additive, antioxidant, metal deactivator, seal swell additive, foam inhibitor, or viscosity modifier.

13. The method of claim 8, wherein the zinc dithiophosphate is zinc dialkyldithiophosphate.

14. The method of claim 8, wherein the oil of lubricating viscosity is a Group III base oil.

15. The lubricating oil composition of lcaim 1 or the method of claim 8, wherein the lubricating oil has a viscosity grade of 0W-12, 0W-16 or 0W-20.