CLAIMS:

1. A lubricating composition comprising in admixture:

at least 55 wt% of a base oil component comprised of alkylated aromatic;

from 0 wt% to 45 wt% of a base oil of API Group II, Group III or Group IV, and combinations of any of the foregoing, based on the total weight of the admixed components that are used to produce the lubricating composition; and

an additive combination comprised of alkylated diarylamine, non-alkylated diarylamine and combinations thereof and a sulfur-containing metal passivator, wherein the amount of base oil other than alkylated naphthalene, alkylated benzene and, if present, API Group II, Group III or Group IV, is less than 10 wt% based on the total weight of the admixed components that comprise the lubricating composition.

2. The lubricating composition of claim 1, wherein the base oil component comprising the alkylated aromatic is selected from alkylated naphthalene, alkylated benzene and combinations thereof.

3. The lubricating composition of claim 2, wherein the amount of base oil component selected from alkylated naphthalene, alkylated benzene and combinations thereof is from 55 wt% to 90 wt% of the lubricant composition.

4. The lubricating composition of claims 1-3, wherein the amount of base oil component selected from API Group II, Group III, Group IV, ethylene copolymers and combinations of any of the foregoing is from 5 wt% to 40 wt%.

5. The lubricating composition of claims 2-4, wherein the amount of base oil other than alkylated naphthalene, alkylated benzene and, if present, API Group II, Group III, Group IV and ethylene copolymer, is less than 5 wt%, based on the total weight of the admixed components that comprise the lubricating composition.

~~6. The lubricating composition of claims 1-5, wherein the ratio of the~~ alkylated diarylamine, non-alkylated diarylamine and combinations thereof to the sulfur-containing metal passivator is from 1:1 to 20:1.

7. The lubricating composition of claims 1-6, wherein the amount of each of each of the alkylated or non-alkylated diarylamine and sulfur-containing metal passivator is from 0.05 wt% to 2 wt%, based on the total weight of the admixed components that comprise the lubricating composition.

8. The lubricating composition of claims 1-7, wherein the alkylated diarylamine is comprised of mixed alkylated diaryl amine.

9. The lubricating composition of claim 8, wherein the mixed alkylated diaryl amine is selected from alkylated diphenylamine, alkylated phenyl naphthylamine and combinations thereof.

10. The lubricating composition of claims 1-9, wherein the sulfur-containing metal passivator is selected from dialkyl dithio carbamate, dialkyl dimercaptothiadiazole and combinations thereof.

11. The lubricating composition of claims 1-10, wherein the sulfur-containing metal passivator is ashless and substantially metal free.

12. The lubricating composition of claims 1-11, wherein the sulfur-containing metal passivator is substantially free of molybdenum.

13. A method of producing a lubricating composition comprising:

blending at least 55 wt% of a base oil component comprised of alkylated aromatic, and from 0 wt% to 45 wt% of a base oil component selected from API Group II, Group III, Group IV, ethylene copolymers and combinations thereof , based on the total weight of the admixed components that are used to produce the lubricating composition, with an additive composition comprised of alkylated diarylamine, non-~~alkylated diarylamine and combinations thereof and a sulfur-containing metal passivator,~~

~~wherein the amount of base oil other than alkylated aromatic and, if present, API Group~~ II, Group III, Group IV and/or ethylene copolymer, is less than 10 wt% based on the total weight of the admixed components that comprise the lubricating composition.

14. The method of claim 13, wherein the base oil component comprising the alkylated aromatic is selected from alkylated naphthalene, alkylated benzene and combinations of any of the foregoing.

15. The method of claims 13-14, wherein the base oil components and additive composition are blended together at substantially the same time.

16. The method of claims 13-15, wherein the additive composition is blended into the base oil component selected from the group consisting of alkylated naphthalene, alkylated benzene and combinations thereof, and thereafter the remaining base oil component, if any, is added thereto.

17. An additive composition for a base oil lubricating composition, said additive comprised of alkylated diarylamine, non-alkylated diarylamine and combinations thereof and a sulfur-containing metal passivator, wherein the ratio of the alkylated diarylamine, non-alkylated diarylamine and combinations thereof to the sulfur-containing metal passivator is from 1:1 to 20:1.

18. A method of improving the oxidation resistance of a base oil lubricant composition comprising at least 55 wt% of a base oil component comprised of alkylated aromatic, and from 0 wt% to 45 wt% of a base oil component selected from API Group II, Group III, Group IV, ethylene copolymers and combinations of any of the foregoing, based on the total weight of the admixed components that are used to produce the lubricating composition, said method comprising adding to the lubricant composition an additive comprised of alkylated diarylamine, non-alkylated diarylamine and combinations thereof and a sulfur-containing metal passivator, wherein the ratio of the ~~amine component to sulfur component is from 1:1 to 20:1.~~

~~19. The method of claim 18, wherein the alkylated aromatic is selected from alkylated naphthalene, alkylated benzene and combinations thereof.~~

CLAIMS:

1. A lubricating composition comprising in admixture:

at from 60 wt % to 75 wt % of a base oil component comprised of alkylated napthalene,

from 27.79 wt % to 37.42 wt % of a base oil of API Group IV comprising PAO, based on the total weight of the admixed components that are used to produce the lubricating composition, and

an additive combination comprised of 0.67 to 1.5 wt. % of alkylated diarylamine, and a sulfur-containing metal passivator selected from 0.16 to 0.33 wt. % of dialkyl dithiocarbamate, about 0.16 wt. % of dialkyl dimercaptobenzothiadiazole and a combination of about 0.33 wt. % of dialkyl dithiocarbamate and about 0.06 wt. % of dialkyl dimercaptobenzothiadiazole, wherein additional base oil other than alkylated naphthalene and Group IV is additive diluent oil, wherein the ISO viscosity grade (VG) of the lubricating composition ranges from 68 to 460.

2. The lubricating composition of claim 1, wherein the amount of alkylated naphthalene is from 60 wt % to 70.3 wt % of the lubricant composition.

3. The lubricating composition of claim 1, wherein the amount of base oil other than alkylated naphthalene and Group IV from additive diluent oil is from 1 wt % to 2 wt %, based on the total weight of the admixed components that comprise the lubricating composition.

4. The lubricating composition of claim 1, wherein the ratio of the alkylated diarylamine to the sulfur-containing metal passivator is from 2:1 to 10:1.

5. The lubricating composition of claim 1, wherein the alkylated diarylamine is comprised of mixed alkylated diaryl amine.

6. The lubricating composition of claim 5, wherein the mixed alkylated diaryl amine is selected from alkylated diphenylamine, alkylated phenyl naphthylamine and combinations thereof.

7. The lubricating composition of claim 1, wherein the sulfur-containing metal passivator is ashless and substantially metal free.

8. The lubricating composition of claim 7, wherein the sulfur-containing metal passivator is substantially free of molybdenum.

9. A method of producing a lubricating composition comprising:

blending at from 60 wt % to 75 wt % of a base oil component comprised of alkylated napthalene, from 27.79 wt % to 37.42 wt % of a base oil of API Group IV comprising PAO, based on the total weight of the admixed components that are used to produce the lubricating composition, and an additive combination comprised of 0.67 to 1.5 wt. % of alkylated diarylamine, and a sulfur-containing metal passivator selected from 0.16 to 0.33 wt. % of dialkyl dithiocarbamate, about 0.16 wt. % of dialkyl dimercaptobenzothiadiazole and a combination of about 0.33 wt. % of dialkyl dithiocarbamate and about 0.06 wt. % of dialkyl dimercaptobenzothiadiazole, wherein additional base oil other than alkylated naphthalene and Group IV is additive diluent oil, wherein the ISO viscosity grade (VG) of the lubricating composition ranges from 68 to 460.

10. The method of claim 9, wherein the base oil components and additive composition are blended together at substantially the same time.

11. The method of claim 9, wherein the additive composition is blended into the alkylated naphthalene, and thereafter the remaining base oil component is added thereto.

12. A method of improving the oxidation resistance of a base oil lubricant composition comprising providing a lubricant composition comprising at from 60 wt % to 75 wt % of a base oil component comprised of alkylated napthalene, from 27.79 wt % to 37.42 wt % of a base oil of API Group IV comprising PAO, based on the total weight of the admixed components that are used to produce the lubricating composition, and an additive combination comprised of 0.67 to 1.5 wt. % of alkylated diarylamine, and a sulfur-containing metal passivator selected from 0.16 to 0.33 wt. %

of dialkyl dithiocarbamate, about 0.16 wt. % of dialkyl dimercaptobenzothiadiazole and a combination of about 0.33 wt. % of dialkyl dithiocarbamate and about 0.06 wt. % of dialkyl dimercaptobenzothiadiazole, wherein additional base oil other than alkylated naphthalene and Group IV is additive diluent oil, wherein the ISO viscosity grade (VG) of the lubricating composition ranges from 68 to 460.