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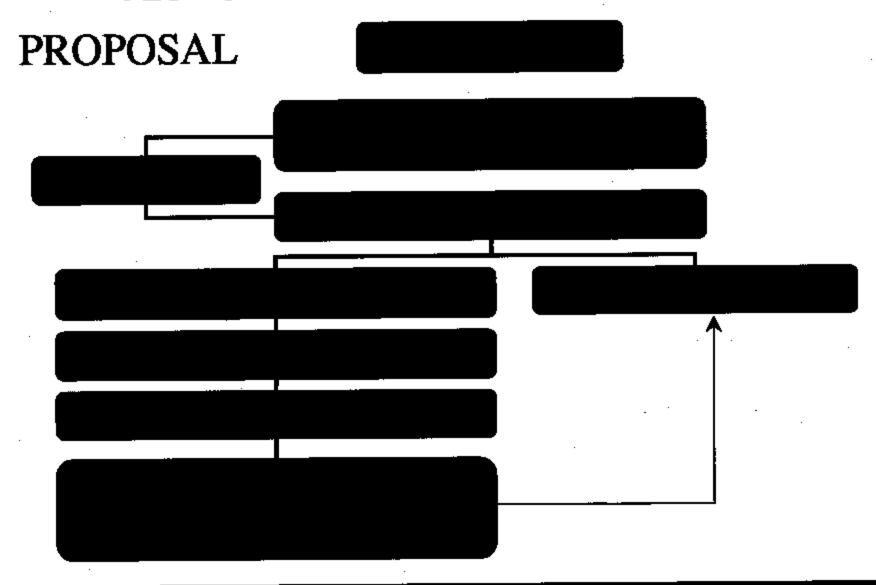
FLOWCHART FOR

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Test protocol proposal attached.

Best regards,

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FLOWCHART FOR TESTING 850 FUEL TANKS





PROPOSAL

KNOWN DIFFERENCES BETWEEN LEAKTESTING A FUEL TANK MOUNTED IN A VEHICLE BODY AND A DISMOUNTED FUEL TANK

- **•THE FASTENING OF THE FUEL TANK WITH TANKSTRAPS**
- THE MOUNTING OF ACCESSORIES ON THE TANK SUCH AS HEATSHIELD
- •THE SOAK EFFECT OF FUEL ON THE TANK MATERIAL
- •THE HANDLING OF THE TANK AND TRANSPORTATION
- *THE MOVEMENT OF THE TANK SHELL WHEN SUBJECTED TO DIFFERENT PRESSURES

PROPOSAL

SOAKING PROCEDURE FOR FUEL TANKS IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE SWELLING

- •MOUNT THE HEATSHIELD, FUELPUMP AND LEVEL GAUGE ON THE TANK
- •PLACE IT IN A VENTED AREA IN AN UPRIGHT POSITION
- •FILL THE TANK WITH 15 LITRES OF FUEL CONTAINING 10% ETHANOL, E10
- •LEAVE THE TANK TO REST IN ROOM TEMPERATURE FOR 2 WEEKS
- •MAKE SURE THAT THE TANK IS VENTED DURING SOAK TO AVOID PRESSURE BUILD UP

FUEL SPECIFICATION

E10 IS FUEL C CONTAINING 10% ETHANOL.

FUEL C IS 50% ISO-OCTAN AND 50% TOLUEN.