









VitaITRAC<sup>TM</sup> Fluid Analysis Program

The **GEHL VitalTRAC**<sup>™</sup> program is a diagnostic, preventive maintenance tool that uses fluid analysis to monitor and evaluate lubricant and equipment condition in all types of mobile applications. Routine testing and analysis can show you how the condition of the lubricants can affect equipment performance and reliability, the vitals of your business.

### What can the Gehl VitalTRAC<sup>™</sup> program do for you?

- Extend oil change intervals
- Extend equipment life
- Identify minor problems before they become major failures
- Increase resale value
- Maximize asset reliability

The **GEHL VitalTRAC**<sup>™</sup> program gives you an inside look at what's going on inside an engine, gearbox or hydraulic system. It tells you the condition of both the unit and the fluid without disassembly.

Imagine being able to detect the damage even extremely minute particles and contaminants can do to your equipment. Problems can be found before they become failures, and less unscheduled downtime means increased reliability, productivity and profitability.





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#### **High Quality Testing**

With the **Gehl VitalTRAC**<sup>™</sup> program, you can be confident you're testing with a laboratory that knows your equipment well. The **Gehl VitalTRAC**<sup>™</sup> program testing laboratories are ISO 17025 A2LA accredited – the highest level of quality attainable by a testing laboratory, backed by the most stringent accrediting body in the industry. This means that your fluid analysis program is supported by a documented quality system, which you can depend on to deliver superior testing and customer service.

#### **Innovative Data Management Solutions**

The **GEHL VitalTRAC**<sup>™</sup> program is fast and accurate. After your samples have been logged, you can track their progress through the laboratory at www.trackmysample.com. Your results are available almost immediately after sample processing is complete. Our online reporting software, HORIZON<sup>™</sup>, will then show you how to get the most from your testing and analysis through Management Reports that allow you to affect change in your daily maintenance practices by:

- Keeping sampling schedules on track
- Identifying bottlenecks in turnaround time
- Tracking unit and fluid performance
- Influencing purchasing decisions





The **GEHL VitalTRAC**<sup>™</sup> program shows you how regular sampling and TREND ANALYSIS – monitoring test data over an extended period of time – will provide the information you need to continually maximize equipment reliability and, ultimately, increase profits.

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Along with preventive maintenance practices recommended by Gehl Company, how critical a piece of equipment is to productivity should also be a major consideration for determining sampling frequency. High temperatures, dirty operating conditions, short trips with heavy loads, and excessive idle times can significantly shorten optimum maintenance intervals.

Fluid analysis is most effective when samples are representative of typical operating conditions. Dirt, system debris, water and light fuels tend to separate from lubricants and coolants when system temperatures cool. For optimum results, consider the following best practices:

- Identify appropriate sampling points.
- **Take samples from the same sampling points each time.**
- Determine proper sampling intervals and monitor compliance with the HORIZON<sup>™</sup> Sample Frequency Report.
- Take samples while systems are operating under normal conditions or immediately after shutdown while they are still at operating temperature.
- Identify and implement proper contamination control best practices.

#### **Suggested Sampling Intervals and Methods**

Sampling I	nterval	Suggested Method and Location							
Diesel Engines – Oil	Monthly or at 250 hours	By sample extraction pump from dipstick tube or sampling valve installed in filter return							
Diesel Engines – Coolant	Quarterly	By vacuum pump from radiator							
Diesel Engines – Fuel	Quarterly	By vacuum pump from fuel tank							
Hydraulics	250 - 500 hours	By vacuum pump from oil fill port or system reservoir at mid-level							
Gearboxes	750 hours	By vacuum pump from oil level plug or dipstick tube							



The **GEHL VitalTRAC**<sup>™</sup> program provides diagnostic testing designed to evaluate lubricant condition, component wear and contamination in a variety of mobile equipment applications. All testing is provided by an independent ISO 17025 A2LAaccredited laboratory that generates reports accessible online for each sample submitted. To order **Gehl VitalTRAC™** program test kits or sampling supplies, contact your local Gehl dealer.

Gehl Oil Analysis Test Packages													
	-	Oil Analysis 272806	Engine Oil Analysis Part #: 272809										
Tests	Engines	Non-Engine	Engines	Non-Engine									
Elemental Metals by ICP													
Water % by Crackle (if positive, Karl Fischer)													
Viscosity at 40°C or 100°C													
Fuel Dilution % by FTIR													
Soot % by FTIR													
Oxidation/Nitration by FTIR													
Total Acid Number													
Total Base Number													
ISO Particle Count													
Particle Quantifier													



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Tests	Coolant Analysis
Visuals (color, oil, fuel, magnetic precipitate, non-magnetic precipitate, odor & foam)	
Elemental Metals by ICP	
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Glycol % (Ethylene or Propylene Glycol)	-
Freeze Point	
Boil Point	
Nitrate	
SCA Number	-
Total Dissolved Solids	•
Specific Conductance	
Total Hardness	

Gehl Fuel Analysis Package – Part #: 272811										
Tests	Fuel Analysis									
Elemental Metals by ICP										
Water and Sediment										
Pour Point										
Thermal Stability										
Bacteria, Fungi, Mold										



### How to read the Gehl VitalTRAC<sup>™</sup> Analysis Report

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Accurate, thorough and complete fluid and equipment information allows for more in-depth analysis and can eliminate confusion when interpreting results.

in, and is useful in determining exposure to possible contaminants. Equipment ID is each customer's opportunity to identify units being tested and their location. UNIT ID 9604 RFD SECOND ID **Unit Type** should give as much detail as possible. UNIT TYPE FINAL DRIVE APPLICATION TRANSPORTATION What kind of compressor, gearbox, engine, etc., ACCOUNT NUMB DATE SAMPLED DATE RECEIVED DATE COMPLETE influences flagging parameters and depth TRACKING of analysis. Different ANUFACT LUBE MER metallurgies require LUBE TYPE - GRA MICRON RATING FILTER TYPE SUMP CAPACITY different lubrication and HYD SYSTEM F have significant impact on how results are interpreted.

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**Application** identifies what type of environment the equipment operates

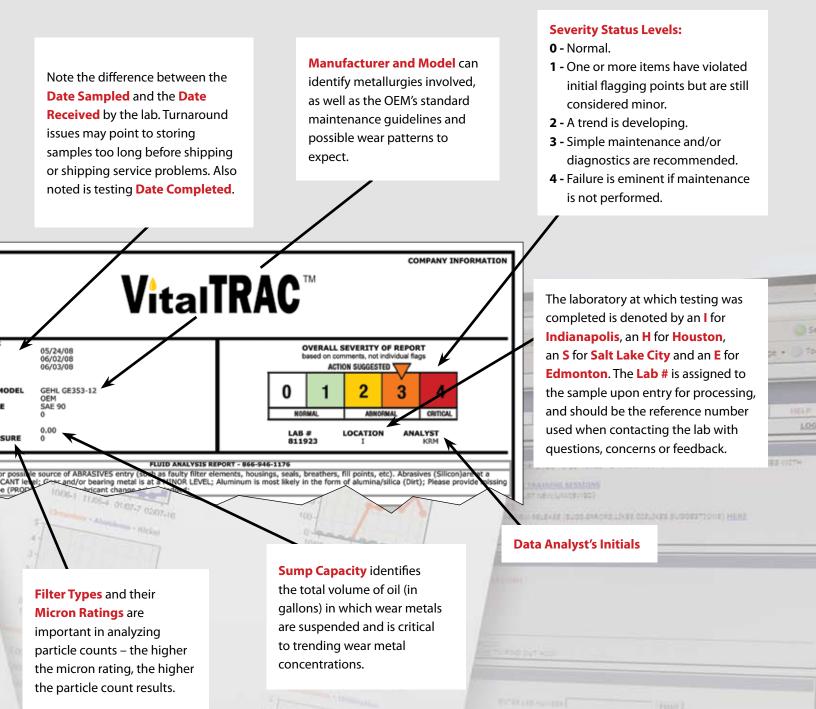
#### Lube Manufacturer, Type and Grade identify a lubricant's properties and its viscosity, and is critical in determining if the right lubricant is being used.

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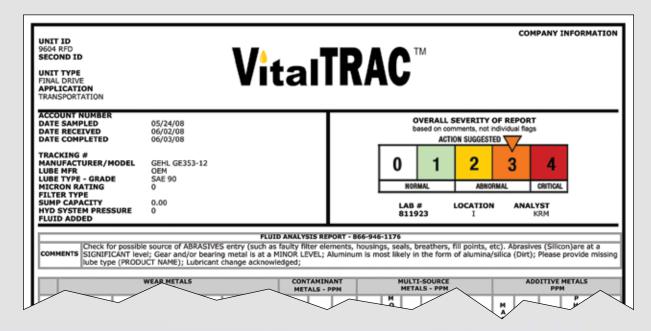
Information submitted with a sample is as important to who will receive the report as it is to the analyst who will interpret the test results and make recommendations. **Properly document your equipment and share this knowledge with the laboratory.** Implement a sampling process for every piece of equipment in your Fluid Analysis program that can be followed consistently each time the unit is sampled.





### Recommendations

A data analyst's job is to explain and, if necessary, recommend actions for rectifying significant changes in the lubricant or the unit's condition. Reviewing the comments before looking at the actual test results will provide a road map to the report's most important information. Any actions that need to be taken are listed first, in order of severity. Justifications for recommending those actions immediately follow.



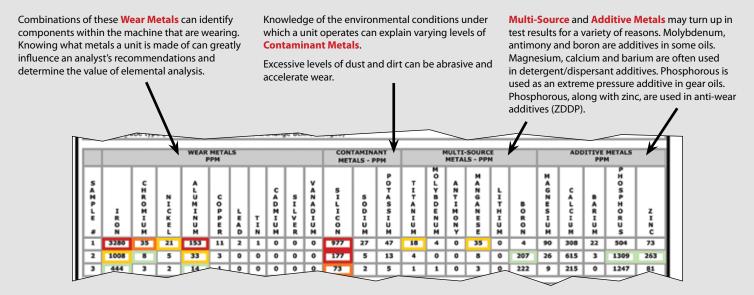
The laboratory will request additional unit and lube information if sample label is incomplete.





### **Elemental Analysis**

Elemental Analysis, or Spectroscopy, identifies the type and amount of wear particles, contamination and oil additives. Determining metal content can alert you to the type and severity of wear occurring in the unit. Measurements are expressed in parts per million (ppm).

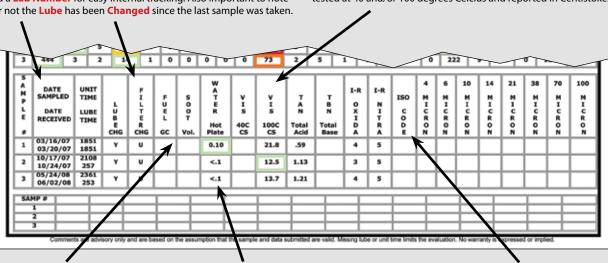


### Test Data

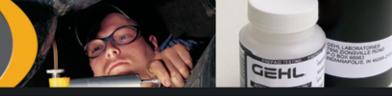
Test results are listed according to age of the sample – oldest to most recent, top to bottom – so that trends are apparent. Significant changes are flagged and printed in the gray-colored areas of the report.

Samples are listed by **Date Received** in the lab – oldest first. The order in which samples are listed can be changed under the Setting tab in HORIZON. They are also assigned a **Lab Number** for easy internal tracking. Also important to note is whether or not the **Lube** has been **Changed** since the last sample was taken.

**Viscosity** measures a lubricant's resistance to flow at temperature and is considered its most important physical property. Depending on lube grade, it is tested at 40 and/or 100 degrees Celcius and reported in Centistokes.



Fuel and Soot are reported in % of volume. High fuel dilution decreases unit load capacity. Excessive soot is a sign of reduced combustion efficiency (only on engine oil samples). Water in oil decreases lubricity, prevents additives from working and furthers oxidation. Its presence can be determined by crackle or FTIR test and is reported in % of volume. Water by Karl Fischer ASTM D1744 test determines the amount of water present. These results appear in the Special Testing section of your report. The **ISO Code** is an index number that represents a range of particles within a specific micron range, i.e., 4, 6, 14. Each class designates a range of measured particles per one ml of sample. The particle count is a cumulative range between 4 and 6 microns. This test is valuable in determining large particle wear in filtered systems.



### **Component Registration Forms**

A Component Registration Form is included with every sample kit. Fill it out only when sampling a component for the first time or to notify the laboratory of a change in component and/or oil information already registered with the laboratory. **Complete, up-to-date information ensures that you receive the proper testing and an accurate analysis of the results.** 

### STEP 1

- Fill out the **Component Registration Form** completely and accurately.
- Use this form **only** for first-time samples or changes in unit **or** oil information previously submitted.
- Include it in the black mailer with the sample jar.

### Sample Labels

Complete a **sample jar label** for **every** sample submitted to the laboratory. **Be sure to fill out all label information completely and accurately to ensure proper testing and accurate, in-depth analysis.** When complete, attach the label to the sample bottle. Fill in the unit's ID on the removable tracking number sticker located to the right of the sample label and retain for your records.

### STEP 2

- Fill out the sample jar label completely and accurately.
- Include all unit and fluid information requested, including unit ID, type of component and position, time on both the fluid and the unit and whether or not fluid has been added or changed.
- Track sample processing at www.trackmysample.com.









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### **Shipping Information**

Complete the mailer return address label for the laboratory nearest you and attach it to the shipping container, affix the appropriate postage and mail. Use a trackable mail service for shipping samples to the laboratory.

### STEP 3

- Complete and attach the return mailer address label to the black shipping container.
- Ship by trackable mail service such as FedEx or UPS.



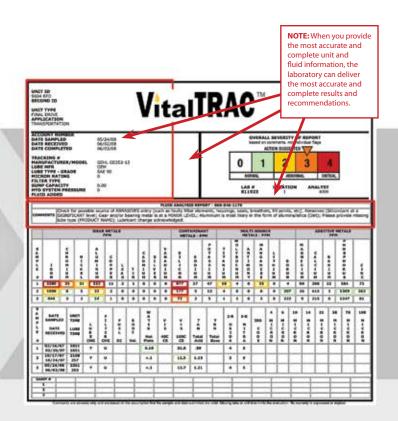


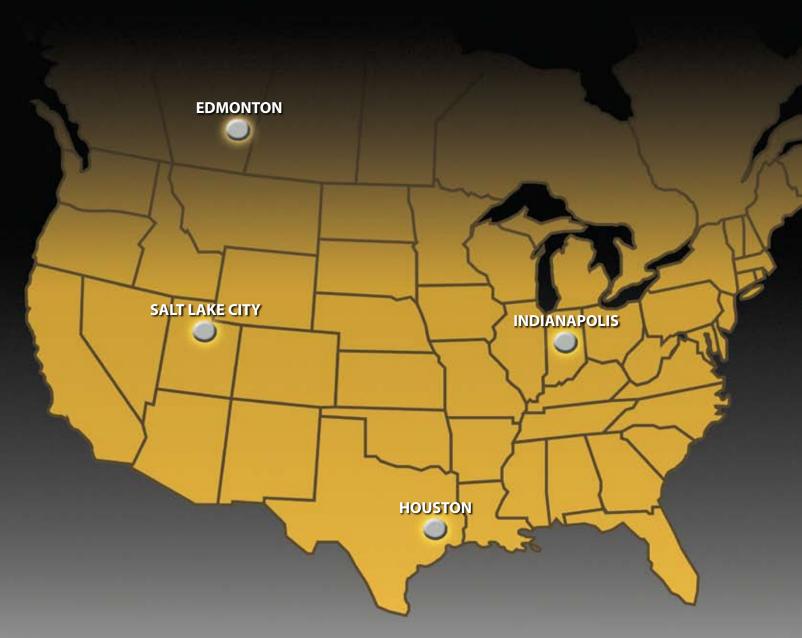
### Test Reports and Data Management

Managing your fluid analysis reports allows you to affect positive changes in your daily maintenance practices, by keeping sampling schedules on track, identifying bottlenecks in turnaround time that are costing you money, and summarizing unit problems that could influence future purchasing decisions.

### STEP 4

- Get test results almost immediately FREE.
- Keep sampling schedules on track.
- Identify bottlenecks in sample turnaround time.
- Influence future purchasing decisions.
- Affect positive changes in your daily maintenance practices.





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