## **COMMENTS**

## Comment on "Initiation and Abstraction Reactions in the Pyrolysis of Acetone" 1

Charles N. Cawood, Hiroshi Furue, S. Hosein Mousavipour, and Philip D. Pacey\*

Department of Chemistry, Dalhouise University, Halifax, Nova Scotia B3H 4J3, Canada

In the course of a subsequent investigation, it has been found that product concentrations, measured at room temperature by gas chromatography in previous work in this laboratory, were not converted to concentrations at the reaction temperatures. Accordingly, the rates of product formation and values of  $k_1$  in Figures 1, 5, and 6 and Tables 1–3 should be multiplied by 298 K and divided by the reaction temperatures T. The values

of  $k_5/k_3^2$  in Tables 1–3 and Figure 3 should be multipled by T/298 K. The values of  $k_3$  in Table 3 should be multiplied by (298 K/T)<sup>1/2</sup>. The Arrhenius expression for the high-pressure limit of  $k_1$  becomes  $10^{16.8\pm0.8}$  s<sup>-1</sup> exp( $-341\pm14$  kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>/ RT). For reaction 3, the average transitional vibrational term value in the transition state becomes  $344\pm10$  cm<sup>-1</sup>, the effective activation barrier height,  $41\pm1$  kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>, and the full thickness of the barrier at half height,  $63\pm5$  pm. Reaction 3 does not follow the Arrhenius law, but within the temperature range used, the following Arrhenius expression has been fit to the results for  $k_3$ :  $10^{10.5\pm0.2}$  L mol<sup>-1</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> exp( $-69\pm4$  kJ mol<sup>-1</sup>/ RT).

## **References and Notes**

(1) Mousavipour, S. H.; Pacey, P. D. J. Phys. Chem. **1996**, 100, 3573–3579