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	Light Straight Run Naptha	Mid Cut Reformate	Volume Average Octane Blending	Non-Linear Octane Blending
Blend vol%	33%	67%	100%	
Gravity, °API	81.8	32.8		
Specific Gravity	0.6634	0.8612		
Aromatics, vol%	2.2	94.2		
Olefins, vol%	0.9	0.6		
RVP, psi	10.8	1.0		
RON	63.7	109.3		
MON	61.2	100.4		
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Since these values are volume% they can be directly calculated as volume averages.

$$\bar{A} = (0.33)(2.2) + (0.67)(94.2) = 63.8$$

$$\bar{O} = (0.33)(0.9) + (0.67)(0.6) = 0.7$$

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API gravity cannot be directly calculated as a volume average, but specific gravity can.

$$\gamma_o = (0.33)(0.6634) + (0.67)(0.8612) \\ = 0.7958$$

$$G = \frac{141.5}{0.7958} - 131.5 \\ = 46.3$$

Run	Mid Cut Reformate	Volume Average Octane Blending	Non-Linear Octane Blending
	67%	100%	
	32.8	46.3	
1	0.8612	0.7959	
	94.2	63.8	
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RVP cannot be directly calculated as a volume average. Volume average the RVP^{1.25} terms

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{RVP})^{1.25} &= (0.33)(10.8)^{1.25} + (0.67)(1.0)^{1.25} \\ &= 7.13 \end{aligned}$$

$$(RVP) = (7.13)^{1/1.25} = 4.81$$

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The simple volume average indicates a gasoline that could meet Regular gasoline octane specs.

$$\bar{R} = (0.33)(63.7) + (0.67)(109.7) \\ = 94.3$$

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The Ethyl model takes into account the aromatics & olefin contents of the blend stocks.

$$\overline{(A^2)} = (0.33)(2.2)^2 + (0.67)(94.2)^2$$

$$= 5,947$$

$$\overline{(A^2)} - \bar{A}^2 = 5,947 - (63.8)^2$$

$$= 1871$$

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$$\overline{(O^2)} = (0.33)(0.9)^2 + (0.67)(0.6)^2$$

$$= 0.509$$

$$\overline{(O^2)} - \bar{O}^2 = 0.509 - (0.7)^2$$

$$= 0.020$$

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The Ethyl model takes into account the spread between the Research & Motor octane numbers.

$$\bar{J} = (0.33)(2.5) + (0.67)(8.9) \\ = 6.79$$

$$\overline{RJ} = (0.33)(63.7)(2.5) + (0.67)(109.3)(8.9) \\ = 704.3$$

$$\overline{RJ} - \bar{R} \cdot \bar{J} = 704.3 - (94.3)(6.79) = 64.5$$

$$\overline{MJ} = (0.33)(61.2)(2.5) + (0.67)(100.4)(8.9) \\ = 649.2$$

$$\overline{MJ} - \bar{M} \cdot \bar{J} = 649.2 - (87.5)(6.79) = 55.5$$

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Using the Ethyl model based on 135 blends...

$$R = 94.25$$

$$+ (0.03324)(64.5) + (0.00085)(0.020)$$

$$= 96.4$$

$$M = 87.5$$

$$+ (0.04285)(55.5) + (0.00066)(0.020)$$

$$- (0.00632) \left(\frac{1871}{100} \right)^2$$

$$= 87.6$$

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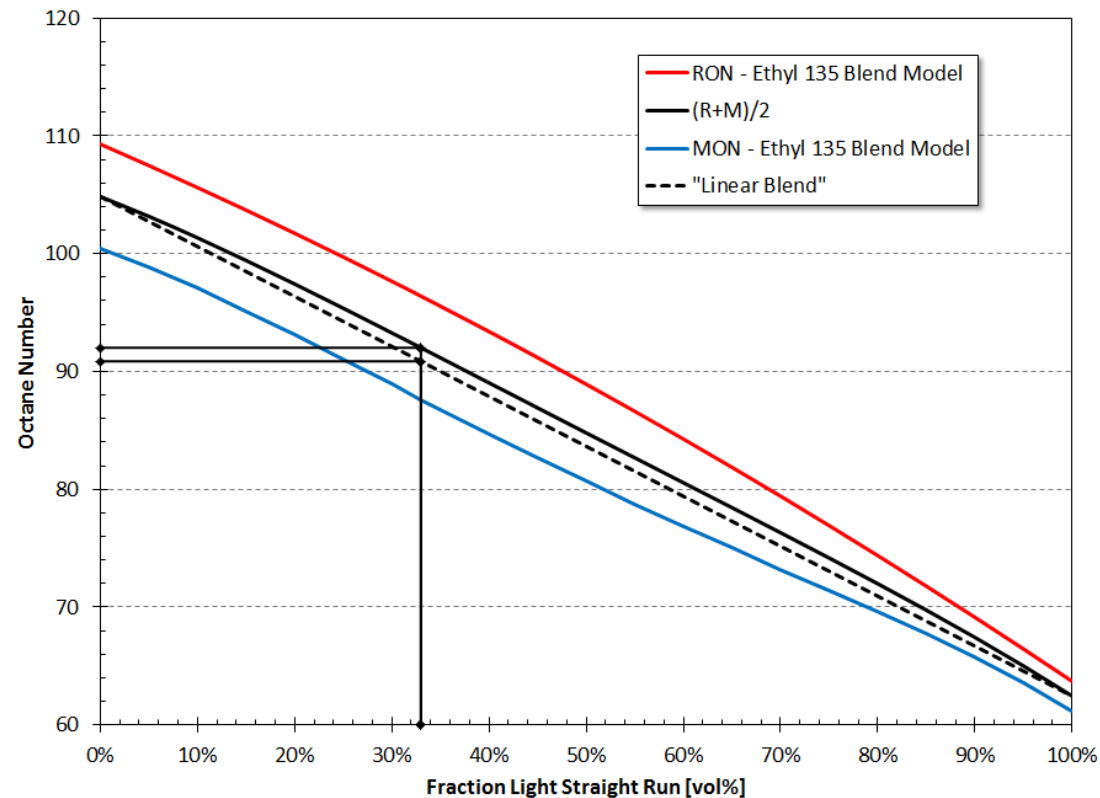
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This model shows that it is likely that the gasoline will meet Premium octane specs.

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