

A NEW RUBBER LUBE

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I have been using a combo of Dow 33 and Armoral for many years. I apply the Dow 33 after the motor is made and the Armoral just before I put the motor in the model. However, I don't use the Armoral as it comes out of the bottle, but pour the entire contents into a large shallow dish, cover it but don't seal the cover, and let it stand for a few months. The carrier evaporates leaving a thickened, very slimy and super slippery substance which I use for the lube combo.

Recently I went to the local auto parts store and found a bottle of Armoral Protective Gel (20 oz) which I purchased. It is a new produce that I have never seen before. The stuff has the same consistency of the thickened Armoral noted above (it should not spin off a motor while it unwinds) and is also incredibly slimy and slippery. It is not supposed to be corrosive to rubber and various types of plastics. I have not tried it on a rubber motor as yet, but it sure looks good as a lubricant.