## ELIMINATING PARTICLES IN FUELS

On August 22, 2016, Intertek Hamilton in Ontario, Canada tested XBEE Enzyme Fuel Technology to measure the impact of its unique enzyme formula on reducing the harmful small particles in aged diesel fuel that are monitored under the ISO-4406 fuel cleanliness standard.

ASTM D 7619 is a light obscuration test method that uses laser light beams passing through a fuel sample to determine the size and quantity of the very small particles that block filters and can damage engines. Particles that block light create a shadow which is picked up by a computer-controlled light sensor, and the total amount of particles, as well as their specific sizes, is measured. The test method is quite accurate and is non-discriminating. Being a purely calculative test, it does not determine the composition of contaminate particles. It is designed to measure all 4-, 6-, and 14micron particles that may plug fuel filters or damage engines, including inorganic matter such as dust, catalyst fines, rust, and dirt, as well as organic matter, including gums, microbial matter, along with suspended water droplets.

XBEE does not affect the inorganic particles, but it does break down and reduce the size and amount of sticky organic particles that rapidly plug fuel filters, shortening their useful life. When left untreated, water in the fuel can erode metal parts and destroy injector tips. Water also displaces lubrication layers of motor oil and fuel, causing accelerated wear to moving parts. XBEE reduces the size of water droplets to microscopic levels, allowing them to be safely passed through the fuel system and harmlessly vaporized during combustion.

In this study, in average, XBEE enzymes eliminate a third of the particles contained in the fuel:

| Test | Units | Neat aged diesel | XBEE aged diesel | Difference |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $\geq 4 \mu \mathrm{~m}$ | counts $/ \mathrm{ml}$ | 9,339 | 7,022 | $-24.81 \%$ |
| $\geq 6 \mu \mathrm{~m}$ | counts $/ \mathrm{ml}$ | 2,280 | 1,608 | $-29.47 \%$ |
| $\geq 14 \mu \mathrm{~m}$ | counts $/ \mathrm{ml}$ | 141 | 75 | $-46.81 \%$ |

## Annexes

## Original report

## Intertek

## Report of Analysis

Lab Reference Number: 2016-HAML-001279
Job Description: Intertek Signal Hill - Aged Diesel Fuel Samples for Analysis

| Client: | Intertek USA Inc | Customer Reference(s): |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Contact: | Intercompany Accountant - USAD1 | None |
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|  | San Antonio, TX 78269 |  |
|  | United States of America |  |


| Lab Report No.: 2016 -HAML-001279-001 | Sampled By: Client |
| :--- | :--- |
| Customer Product Description: $\quad$ NEAT, Aged Diesel | Sampled Date: 04-Aug-2016 0:00 |
| Sample Source: $\quad$ Simple | Submitted Date: 22-Aug-2016 |
| Sample Location: $\quad$ Submitted Samples | Tested Date: 22-Aug-2016 |
|  | Report Date: 22-Aug-2016 |
| Sample Identification: $2016-L O S A-001052-001.001$ |  |


| Method | Test | Result | Units |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ASTM D7619 | Cumu | 9339 | counts/mL. |
|  | Cumu | -2280 | counts/mL |
|  | Cumu | -141 | counts/mL |


| Lab Report No.: 2016 -HAML-001279-002 | Sampled By: Client |
| :--- | :--- |
| Customer Product Description: $\quad$ XBEE-Treated, Aged Diesel | Sampled Date: 04-Aug-2016 0:00 |
| Sample Source: $\quad$ Simple | Submitted Date: 22-Aug-2016 |
| Sample Location: $\quad$ Submitted Samples | Tested Date: 22-Aug-2016 |
|  | Report Date: 22-Aug-2016 |
| Sample Identification: $\quad$ 2016-LOSA-001052-002.001 |  |


| Method | Test | Result | Units |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ASTM D7619 | Cumulative Count for Particles $>=4 \mu \mathrm{~m}$ | 7022 | counts/mL |
|  | Cumulative Count for Particles $>=6 \mu \mathrm{~m}$ | 1608 | counts/mL |
|  | Cumulative Count for Particles $>=14 \mu \mathrm{~m}$ | 75 | counts/mL |

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