New Octamar™ Product for Common Rail Marine Engines

Octamar™ Premium is a new development for marine fuel, specifically designed to control injector deposits and improve combustion.

Injector fouling in common rail systems has been an issue for many years in the automotive industry. Today, as common rail pressures increase in marine engines, they too are seeing the same problems. Increased maintenance costs and requirements due to frequent injector sticking and filter blocking are a major concern. In main engines or emergency generators, injector sticking may result in loss of propulsion or starting difficulties. Additionally, a dramatic power loss can be seen, with consequential increases in fuel consumption and emissions. The solution to the issue is the use of multifunctional additives, which Innospec supply globally to oil companies. However such products are not applied to marine fuel in the supply chain.

As the largest dedicated manufacturer of fuel additives globally, and backed by years of experience in automotive diesel, Innospec have formulated Octamar™ Premium, which also contains a combustion improver, as the marine distillate fuel additive to use to overcome the issue.

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Innospec Strengthens Marine Team

Technical Sales Managers recently appointed in Europe and Asia.

Both gentlemen have many years of experience in the maritime industry. Frederic Caritey (South West Europe) sailed with the French Navy and worked for TOTAL Lubmarine, whilst Martin Chew (Asia Pacific) was a surveyor with Lloyds Register, before working for a large Singapore based Shipowner.

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Dose vs. % Power Loss

Octamar™ Premium provides dramatic improvement

Octamar™ Premium will be available in 25 litre pails throughout Innospec’s 20 worldwide marine stock points. It has an economical dosage rate of between 1:5,000, and 1:3,000 for optimum performance.