The Latest on Mobile Source and Fuel Programs

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Newly Adopted Nonroad Engine Standards

 Progress Toward 2007 Highway Engines & Low Sulfur Diesel Fuel

 Progress Toward New Nonroad Diesel Engine & Fuel Standards







Newly Adopted Nonroad Engine Standards

Final rule signed last month covers:

 Recreational marine diesel engines (big sport boats)
 Large industrial spark-ignition engines (forklifts)
 Recreational gasoline engines/vehicles
 (snowmobiles, off-road motorcycles, ATVs)

Newly Adopted Nonroad Engine Standards

- Standards for different categories phased-in over the next decade
 - program includes emissions credit programs, inuse testing requirements
 - will reduce millions of tons of pollutants (focus on HC)
 - billions of dollars of quantified health and welfare benefits

Progress Toward 2007



Draft report is undergoing internal review by panel

Findings presented at panel's final meeting 9/24,25

Clean Diesel Independent Review Panel Draft Findings

Engine Emission Control Technology

- Very encouraging rate of progress to date.
- No insurmountable issues at this time.
- Key technical challenge remaining is NOx adsorber durability.

15ppm Desulfurization Technology

- No technological impediments to going forward.
- In general, refiners are where they are expected to be.
- Some are proceeding ahead of schedule.
- New technologies have been introduced which could potentially assist refiners in producing 15 ppm S fuel.



Progress Toward 2007



2nd EPA progress review by end of 2003

- Technology progress over next 2 years will be critical to success in 2007.
- Manufacturers will be making 2007 product development decisions in 2004.
- EPA is putting substantial resources into diesel technology development and into meeting with industry experts worldwide.
- Also gearing up to review the pre-compliance reports which refiners and importers must submit annually from 2003 through 2005.

EPA Efforts Underway to Assess Progress

Engines

- NOx adsorber development program at NVFEL
 - focus on durability testing over coming months
 - desulfation strategy development and improvement
 - evaluating novel quad bed by-pass system
 - published four SAE papers presenting test results
- Ongoing meetings w/ engine & emission control companies
 - also receiving hardware support from Johnson Matthey, Engelhard, Delphi ASEC, Corning, Bosch, Cummins, NGK, International
- Working with DOE funded joint industry/government technology demonstration programs
- Monitoring worldwide efforts for advanced technologies

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Fuels

- Staying abreast of refining technology developments worldwide
- Ongoing assessment of individual refinery plans
- Assessing distribution system challenges in cooperation with DOE and industry
- Monitoring development of lubricity specifications and test procedures (ASTM)
- Working with Diesel Engine Oil Advisory Panel on development of PC-10 formulation for 2007
- Testing new lube formulations on engines using potential 2007 technologies

Nonroad Diesels

Construction –excavators, bulldozers, ...



Industrial

–portable generators, forklifts, airport service equipment...







-tractors, combines, irrigation pumps, ...

Need for Action

A big source of diesel PM

- Diesel PM increasingly a focus of toxics and air quality concerns
- High priority for the Agency

Also potential for major NOx reductions

 important to States ozone plans

Top regulatory priority for EPA

A Systems Concept--Engines & Fuel

Pursuing a systems approach similar to the 2007 highway diesel rule:

- Diesel aftertreatment
 - to achieve significant reductions in NOx and PM
 - new program would also address transient test cycle and in-use emissions

Fuel sulfur reduced to 15 ppm

 to enable aftertreatment technologies
 and get large immediate sulfate PM reductions from existing fleet

Issues for Engine & Equipment Manufacturers

Timing, level, and scope of standards

- need for stability between design changes
- Hundreds of extremely diverse applications
- Severe operating environments and catalyst effectiveness during low-load operation

Harmonization

- with Europe, Japan, and within the U.S.
- Nonroad diesel companies are far more global than on highway

Issues for Engine & Equipment Manufacturers (continued)

Implementation flexibility

 especially for hundreds of equipment manufacturers that are small businesses

Adapting aftertreatment to small engines



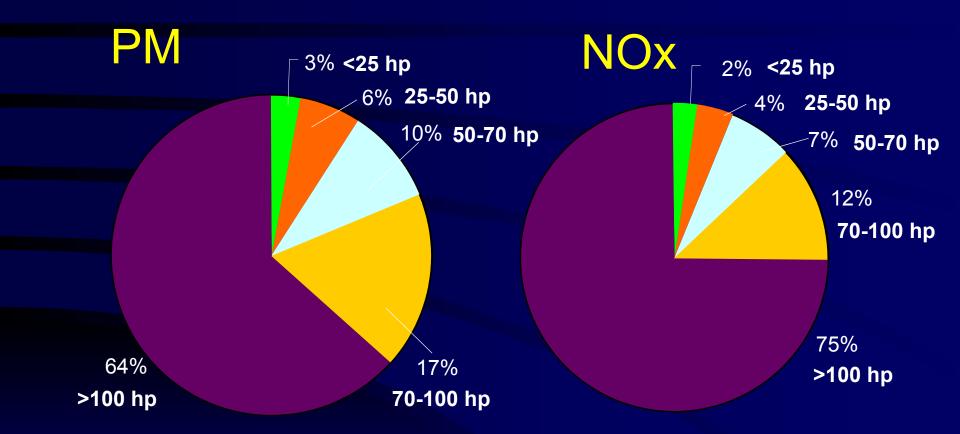




8 hp

16 hp

Smaller engines contribute significantly to emissions



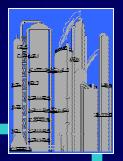
Nonroad Diesel Emissions Fractions, 2000

Challenge of Adapting Technology to Small Engines

- Past nonroad diesel standard-setting has relied heavily on transfer of technology developed for heavy-duty highway engines.
- Unlike many bigger engines, engines below ~70 hp are not typically derived from highway engine designs.
 Presents some challenges

 Goal is high-efficiency aftertreatment on engines down to as low a hp rating as possible.

Issues for Fuel Providers



Inclusion of locomotive and marine fuel

Implementation: When and How? - 100% 15 ppm S all-at-once
 To 500 ppm S first, then to 15 ppm later
 Phase-in: regulate end-users instead of refiners

May be high capital costs for some refineries

 Especially small refiners
 Some only make nonroad fuel-- no ready H₂ supply

Emission Reductions

- Potentially very significant PM & NOx reductions
 - PM reductions exceed those of 2007 highway program if assume similar control efficiencies
 - Also large NOx reductions, important to States ozone attainment/maintenance plans

Also very significant toxics reductions
 diesel PM and toxic gaseous compounds

Next Steps

- Engaging stakeholders
- Conducting technical analyses
- Proposal to OMB by the end of this year
- Proposal published in early 2003

This project remains OTAQ's top regulatory priority