

#### "Clean Diesel Fuel Implementation Workshop"

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#### **On-Line Optical Interface Detection**

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#### Liquids Pipelines – approx 80,000 miles





#### Terminals in the U.S. - 2479





### **Pipeline Operations - Definitions**

- Pipeline closed conduit that connects two petroleum terminal storage facilities.
- Batch volume of refined petroleum product with common physical properties.
- Tracking Location of the leading or trailing end of a given batch inside a pipeline at some point in time.



## **Pipeline Operations - Current Situation**

- Batches serially enter a pipeline, then move the length of the pipeline and are delivered to terminals at intermediate points and finally the endpoint of the pipeline.
- Various pipeline controlling actions are based on the locations of batch interfaces.



## **Pipeline Operations – Fuel Management**

- Track batches in order to determine the location of a batch in a pipeline at some point in time.
- This could be the current location or a projected location in the future.
- Use "best available" technology.
- Determine batch location accurately.



### **Product Batching**

Allows multiple products to ship on the same pipeline





#### **Product Integrity**

• Different product batches are "pushed" through the system abutting each other.



Reformulated Low Kerosene/ High Conventional Premium Reformulated regular sulfur Sulfur regular gasoline premium Jet Fuel diesel fuel gasoline Diesel gasoline gasoline

Increasing the number of distinct product types complicates the product distribution systems.



### **On-Line Optical Interface Detectors**

Reliable Pipeline Interface and Quality Detection for Efficient Fuel Management



KAM OID installs through full opening valve to provide speed of light interface detection



#### **Kam Controls - Optical Products**

### "Why Interface / Quality Detection?"

- Many Products have very similar API Gravity
  - Existing Instrumentation not originally designed for this service
- Eliminate Missed Interfaces
  - In many cases existing Instrumentation not capable of interface detection
  - Many Product have very similar API Gravity, very similar Color
  - Reduce Product Downgrading
  - Reduce Transmix
- Minimize Operational Costs Increase Profitability
  - Accurate / repeatable interface detection with reliable Instrumentation
- Improve Product Quality Increase Profitability
  - Instrumentation specifically designed for this service
  - Early indication of Contamination (i.e. water)
- Automate Batch Cut Process
  - Operators now able to concentrate on tasks requiring analysis and judgment for operational and integrity-related projects and solutions



### Kam Controls - Optical Products *"State of the Art Technology"*

- Patented Technology
- Automatic, Real-Time "Speed of Light" Interface Detection and Product Quality of Refined Products including Synthetic Oils
- Quick, Accurate, Repeatable detection of the products "optical signature"
- Each product has a unique "optical signature" therefore more detectable
- Wide spectrum of light sources utilizing IR, NIR, MidIR, White thereby improving reliability, increasing repeatability and eliminating false signals
- Can be fitted on Main Line or in the Analyzer / By-Pass Loop
- Lines can be "Pigged" as the OID sits at the pipe wall
- Mounted on the pipeline with NO PUMP reduces Operators environmental exposure to leaks / spills caused by mechanical failures





Densitometer Chart (20-70 API Gravity)					
70					
60					
50	- r				
40					
30					
20					



### **Proven Design - Ease of Operation & Ownership**

- Minimal Operator Training for Installation
- Operator Friendly Technology
- Highly Accurate tool providing a clear, defined, repeatable "cut signal"
- Probe w/fiber optic cables, analyzer electronics
- More Safely, more Efficiently and with less Downtime





# Kam OID Typical Installation

Kam OID Hearne, TX 4" ANSI 600 Operated by Shell Oil Products US

This unit now operating for 12 months trouble-free, with all batches being "cut" from OID signal. Densitometer no longer used for "batch cuts".





## **Customer's Needs & Application Requirements**

#### **Typical Objectives**

- Automate Batch Cut Process
  - Reduce number of Operator "callouts"
  - Streamline operations from Central Control Facility
- Eliminate Missed Interfaces
  - Many Product Have Similar API Gravity and Color
  - Eliminate manual sampling errors
- Improve Product Quality, Increase Profitability
  - Early indication of Contamination (i.e. water)
  - Reduce Product Downgrading
  - Reduce Transmix



#### The Kam Solution for Cost Effective Fuel Management

Patented technology for accurate, reliable, repeatable detection of interfaces and product contamination.

Maintenance free operating for Remote and Main Station installations.

Fast becoming accepted as the #1 OID instrument by Pipeline Operators in North America.

