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# **E85 UL Listed Equipment**



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## **Background**

- Existing E85 stations in the U.S. were permitted with a waiver from a local Authority having jurisdiction (AHJ)
- Existing E85 station dispensers were retrofitted for E85
- E85 has different chemical properties than gasoline; it is more corrosive requiring specialized metals and other materials that are compatible with both ethanol and gasoline
- No testing protocol was available for E85 when stations first began selling the fuel; this is important for fire codes and OSHA
- Dispenser manufacturers produced products for E85 and needed a way to certify the equipment

### **Underwriters Laboratory**

- UL provides product safety certification for fuel dispensing equipment
- UL developed testing protocol Subject 87A in 2007 with input from industry
- Subject 87A is a rigorous test with a 15 week conditioning phase at 60°C followed by performance testing
- Three UL test protocols for fuels with ethanol content:
  - UL Standard 87-certification for up to E10
  - UL Subject 87A-E25-certification for up to E25
  - UL Subject 87A-E85-certification for up to E85 (uses two test fluids: E25 and E85)

#### **E85 Listed Equipment**

- Entire E85 dispensing system certified in June 2010
- Dispensers
  - Gilbarco\*: Encore Series 300, 500, 550
  - Dresser Wayne\*: G520, G610, G620, Ovation Model E
- Hose: Veyance Flexsteel Futura Ethan-all
- Nozzle: OPW 21GE and 21GE-A
- **Swivel**: OPW 241TPS-0492
- **Breakaway**: OPW 66V-0492
- Shear Valves: OPW 10P-0152E85 and 10P-4152E85
- Submersible Turbine Pump: FE Petro all AG models
- \* Specific dispenser model numbers are available from the manufacturer and will be published in the latest version of the Handbook for Handling, Storing, and Dispensing E85 in July 2010.







#### **Other Ethanol Listed Equipment**

- Both Gilbarco and Dresser Wayne have certified dispensers for E25
- Veyance has a hose certified for E25
- Dresser Wayne certified a blender pump dispenser last week
- Equipment certified for E85 can be used with E0-E85

## E10 vs. E85 Dispensers

- Gasoline dispenser (certified for use with E10) cost range is \$10,000-\$18,000
  - Conventional materials and gaskets (e.g. mild steel, cork)
- E85 dispenser cost range is \$20,000- \$25,000
  - Premium materials and gaskets (e.g. stainless steel, viton)
  - Low volume (~2000 nationwide)
  - Cost expected to be slightly more expensive than existing equipment as volume increases
  - E85 dispensers could be used with E0-E85 (including E15)