Technologies for Meeting Future Heavy-Duty Diesel Emission Standards

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U.S. vs. Europe Heavy-Duty Engine Transient Cycle Emission Standards



Euro VI NOX limit is 0.46 g/kWh on the WHTC Euro VI includes 6.0 X 10¹¹/kWh particle number limit for diesels on WHTC



Evolution of NOx Control Technology



A natural optimization has resulted in 2017 systems being 60% smaller, 40% lighter, and cheaper than 5

SCR/Filter

SCR/ASC

improvements are already commercialized on light-duty vehicles in Europe. 2024

2016



2010

Simultaneous CO₂ and NOx Reductions Achievable



- Aligned regulations are allowing optimization of criteria and GHG technology
- Some 2016 and 2017 engine families are already certified below 0.1 g/bhp-hr, three at 0.06 g/bhp-hr NOx.



CARB and MECA Demonstrating HD Ultra Low NOx Technologies

- Program started in 2013 at SwRI with focus on Volvo 2014 MD13TC diesel engine with turbocompounding and Cummins ISX12G CNG engine
- Objective is to demonstrate 90% reduction below current HD NO_x standards
 - 0.02 g/bhp-hr on certification and vocational cycles
- Fully aged, production ready technology
- Solution must be consistent with path toward meeting future GHG standards
 - CO₂, CH₄, N₂O



Calibration to Address Cold Start and Low Speed Operation

- Cold start engine calibration modified to reduce cold start engine out NOx and fast heat-up of catalyst.
- During hot operation return to original calibration to maintain fuel economy and GHG





Diesel Aftertreatment Technology Options

Traditional Approach

Advanced Approach



Examined 33 out of 500 possible configurations of component and heat addition options



Multiple potential pathways to achieve NO_x emissions below 0.02 g/bhp-hr



Next Generation Substrates Reduce Backpressure and Fuel Consumption



- Higher cell density and geometric surface area for better conversion
- Reduced back pressure with thinner, porous walls
- Higher catalyst loading in porous substrates

New Substrates for SCR Coated Filters



Catalyst Development focused on Low Temperatures

- Passive NOx Adsorbers (PNA) can replace traditional DOC and combine NOx trap, HC trap and DOC into single device
- Thermal durability and sulfur tolerance being improved
- Optimization of PNA NOx desorption and SCR conversion window







Improved Packaging Increases Low Temperature Performance



OBD Sensor Manufacturers Addressing Issues

- Particle mass and number sensor variability and accuracy improving near OBD threshold
- Gas sensor development continues with efforts to enable lower emission standards
- New sensor technologies for measuring SCR system functions







Summary

- Euro VI and U.S. 2010 emission control strategies have continued to evolve through innovation by OEMs and suppliers on engines, catalysts, substrates and packaging
- Next generation Low-NOx technologies are already being demonstrated on diesel passenger cars and nonroad engines in Europe
- Real world compliance requires careful calibration of engine for low temperature operation and urea dosing strategies.
- Sensor development is addressing future OBD needs
- Opportunity exists for significant reductions in the off-road diesel sector

