

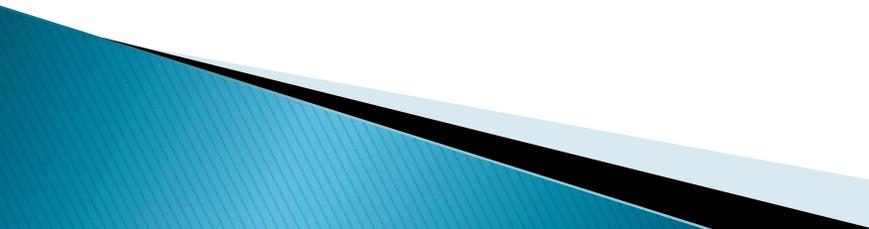


# Penn Dot Fuel Maintenance Program

Surviving Winter and Changing Diesel Fuel  
Formulations



# Penn Dot BY The Numbers

- ▶ 11 Districts Comprised of 67 Counties
  - ▶ 96,000 Snow Lane Miles Maintained
  - ▶ 5,400 Licensed Plow Operators
  - ▶ 22,000 Numbered Pieces of Equipment
  - ▶ 11,000 Major Motorized Pieces
  - ▶ 2,255 Heavy Plow Trucks
  - ▶ Fleet Value \$900 Million
  - ▶ Annual Equipment Budget \$40 Million + \$10 Million County Funds
  - ▶ 725,000 Tons of Anti-Skid 5 Year Average
  - ▶ 957,000 Tons of Salt 5 Year Average
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# Pennsylvania Winters?



# Winter Entering Southern PA



# Why Do We Stress Fuel Maintenance Year Round?



# Major Fuel Related Events

- ▶ *Act 78 Signed July 2008*–Statewide Bio–Diesel usage based on production thresholds
- ▶ *D–8 Pilot*– 8 County pilot and study of B–5 usage from July of 2008 to June of 2009
- ▶ *November 15, 2009*–Statewide implementation of B–5 in PENNDOT Fleet
- ▶ *October 27, 2009*– Released Department policy related to fuel maintenance
- ▶ *Act 78*– First threshold of production reached PA mandate of 2% in place May 1, 2010

# SPRING

**Spring Helpful Hints:** Drain all free water from storage tanks • Test tanks for entrained water and microbial contamination • Treat based on test results with Dri-Tek and Product 6000 biocide • Top off vehicle tanks nightly

# SUMMER

**Summer Helpful Hints:** Continue to use Performance Plus HPFI Year Round • Use dispenser filters designed to absorb water • Submit a bottom sample to check for water, sediment and microbial contamination • Treat per test results recommendations



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**PERFORMANCE PLUS HPFI ALL YEAR ROUND FOR MAXIMUM PROTECTION AGAINST:**

- Temperature Icing
- Water
- Microbial Contamination
- Filter Icing
- Check Your Fuel's Operability on Temperature Operability
- Deicer & Water Dispersant

# WINTER

**Winter Helpful Hints:** Use EC-1 and Performance Plus HPFI for optimal protection and performance • Use larger micron size filters for winter operations per OEM • Check truck water separators often • RED ALERT STRATEGY

# FALL

**Fall Helpful Hints:** Drain all free water from storage tanks • Test tanks for entrained water and microbial contamination • Treat based on test results with Dri-Tek and Product 6000 biocide • Top off vehicle tanks nightly

# Diesel Fuel Issues

- ▶ The main ULSD quality issues of concern are:
  - ▶ Engine deposits/Engine optimal performance /Emissions
  - ▶ Winter Operability (Cold Flow Issues)
  - ▶ Thermal Oxidation of ULSD – Stability
  - ▶ Water Control
  - ▶ Microbial Contamination
  - ▶ Corrosion
- ▶ Using the proper fuel additives is a necessity in ultra low sulfur diesel to optimize it for use in today's technologically advanced diesel engines.

# Biodiesel

- ▶ Compared to regular diesel fuel, biodiesel;
  - Is more susceptible to degradation.
  - It can generate sediment in cold weather.
- ▶ House-keeping issues
  - It is hydroscopic in nature relative to diesel fuel.
    - There are more water issues when biodiesel present
  - It acts as a good solvent/cleaning agent
    - Can mobilize deposits and sediments from tank bottoms
    - Filter plugging issues common when Biodiesel is first introduced. Check your filters

# Maintenance Activities

- ▶ Core Tank Maintenance Activities
  - Check storage tanks for contaminants
    - Drain water bottoms where possible
    - Use Water Dispersants to remove water (Per test results)
    - Check for Microbial contamination
    - Use a biocide product to treat for microbial contamination. (Per test results)
  - Check filters / screens for build up of deposits
    - Replace filters/screens where appropriate

# Winter Nozzle Testing

- ▶ Winter Nozzle (October – March)
  - Cloud Point (ASTM D2500, D5772)
  - CFPP (ASTM D6371)
  - Pour Point (ASTM 97, D5950)
  - Water by Karl Fisher (ASTM D6304)

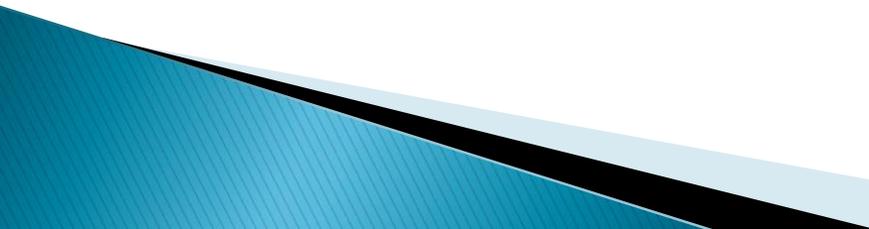
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	<i>Innospec Contact Representative:</i> <b>Jodi Hilliard</b>					
<b>Quality Assurance Program</b> <b>Delaware Laboratory</b> <b>200 Executive Drive, Newark, DE</b> <b>TEL: (302) 454-8100</b> <b>FAX: (302) 451-1380</b>						
<b>Innospec Sample #:</b> P0702-1307						
<b>Customer Name:</b>						
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<b>Sample Received @ Lab Date:</b> 2/12/2007						
<b>Testing Completion Date:</b> 2/13/2007						
<b>Fuel Type:</b> #2 LSD 90/10 blend w/8500 HE LF @ 1:750						
<b>Sample Identification:</b> in ground						
<b>Test Protocol</b>	<b>Treatment</b>	<b>Results</b>	<b>Results, °C</b>	<b>Results, °F</b>	<b>Targets</b>	<b>Cost/Test</b>
Cloud Point, °F, °C (ASTM D2500, D5772)	As Received		-13	8.6	None	\$25.00
CFPP, °F, °C (ASTM D6371)	As Received		-28	-18.4	-15°F	\$43.75
Pour Point, °F, °C (ASTM D97, D5950)	As Received		-36	-32.8	None	\$25.00
Water by Karl Fisher, ppmv (ASTM D6304)	As Received	7			≤ 75 ppmv	\$43.75
<b>Cost Savings for Customer:</b>						<b>\$137.50</b>
<b>Recommendations/Alerts:</b>						

# Spring Bottom Testing

- ▶ Bottom Testing (April through September)
  - BS & W % (ASTM D2709) or
  - Water by Karl Fischer ASTM D6304
  - Test kits used for microbial detection (no ASTM test method)
    - Aerobic Bacteria
    - Anaerobic Bacteria
    - Yeast
    - Fungi

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<b>Sample Identification:</b>				
<b>Test Protocol</b>	<b>Treatment</b>	<b>Results</b>	<b>Targets</b>	<b>Cost/Test</b>
<b>Bottom Sediment &amp; Water, % vol (ASTM D2709)</b>	As Received	0.35%	≤ 0.05% volume	\$37.50
<b>Aerobic Bacteria</b>	As Received	Negative	Negative	\$37.50
<b>Anaerobic Bacteria</b>	As Received	Negative	Negative	↓
<b>Yeast</b>	As Received	Negative	Negative	
<b>Fungi</b>	As Received	Negative	Negative	
			<b>Cost Savings for Customer:</b>	<b>\$75.00</b>
<b>Recommendations/Alerts:</b>				

# Pre Winter Helpful Hints

- ▶ Check water separators daily
  - ▶ Use (Larger micron) fuel filters
  - ▶ Check vehicle tank water levels often
  - ▶ Make sure you have tested for water and microbiological contamination
  - ▶ Stock-up on Treatments required to survive winter conditions
  - ▶ Use Red Alert Strategy as necessary
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# Don't forget your saddle tanks !

- ▶ Check saddle tanks for water with each PM and after large temperature swings
  - Remove the Water
  - Examine for indications of microbial mass and treat as necessary.
- ▶ Use of DRI TEK for added protection at a rate of One quart per 250 gallons.

# Fuel System Contaminants – Water

- ▶ Why is water such an issue? It can.....  
Freeze at 32 Degrees! And.....

- Promote microbial growth
- Induce corrosion
- Interact with certain fuel additives
- Degrade biodiesel
- Form emulsions
- Rapidly plug filters in cold weather



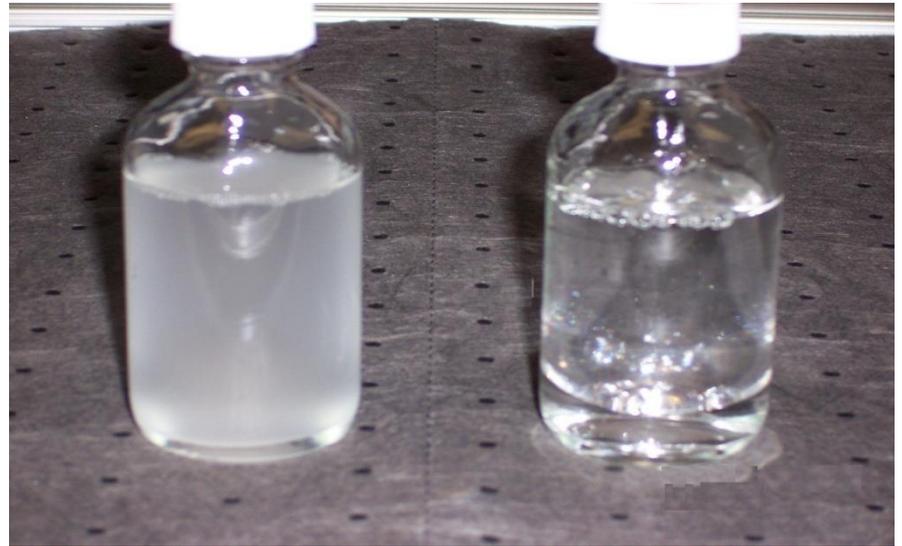
Majority of winter operability problems can be traced to water contamination.  
Get it pumped out of your systems and keep it out!

# Water Removal & Management (Critical in Spring & Fall)

- ▶ First – Pump all free water from tank.
  - ▶ Second – Pull a bottom sample from the tank & request a Karl Fisher water test along with a test for microbial contamination.
  - ▶ Third – Treat based on lab report recommendation for both water and microbial contamination.
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# Water Dispersents

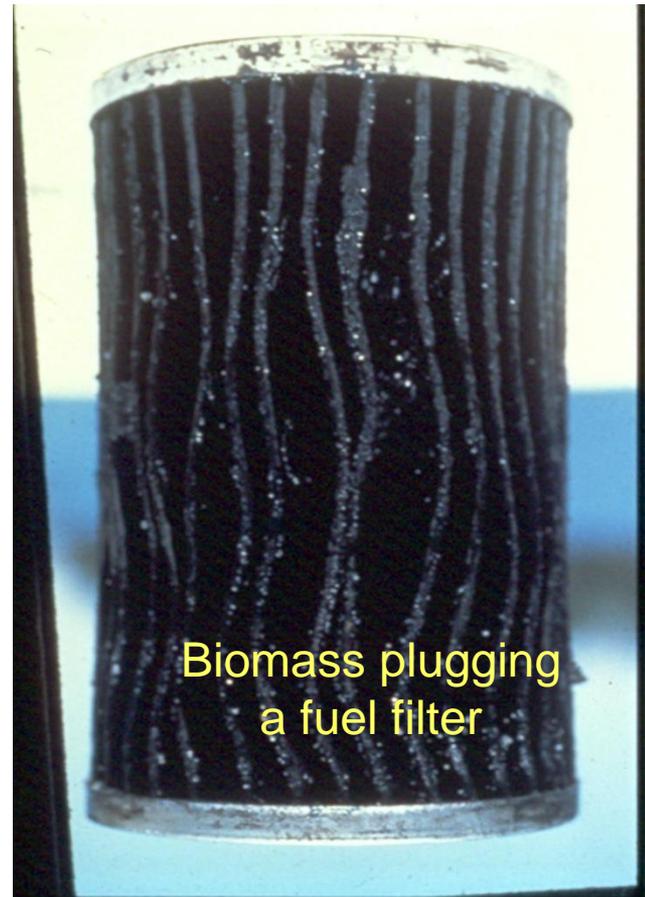
- ▶ Dual phase water control
  - Safely removes water via dispersancy action
  - Partitions into any water phase to depress freezing point



# Test again

- ▶ To confirm that water is within acceptable levels, submit another sample to the lab to confirm treatment was effective.

# Impact of Microbial Growth



# Treatment for Microbial Contamination

- ◉ First – If microbial contamination is present treat with Product 6000 at a rate of 1 gallon per 2,000 gallons of fuel. The tank should be full and inactive for 24–48 hours after treatment to allow maximum kill.
- ◉ Second – After treating with Product 6000 make sure fuel is treated with Performance Plus HPFI to mobilize the dead microbial mass. Polish the fuel by filtering if possible. Monitor filters carefully until dead microbes clear the system.

# Test again

- ▶ To confirm there is no microbial contamination left after treating please submit another sample to the lab to confirm treatment was effective.

# Premature Fuel Filter Plugging



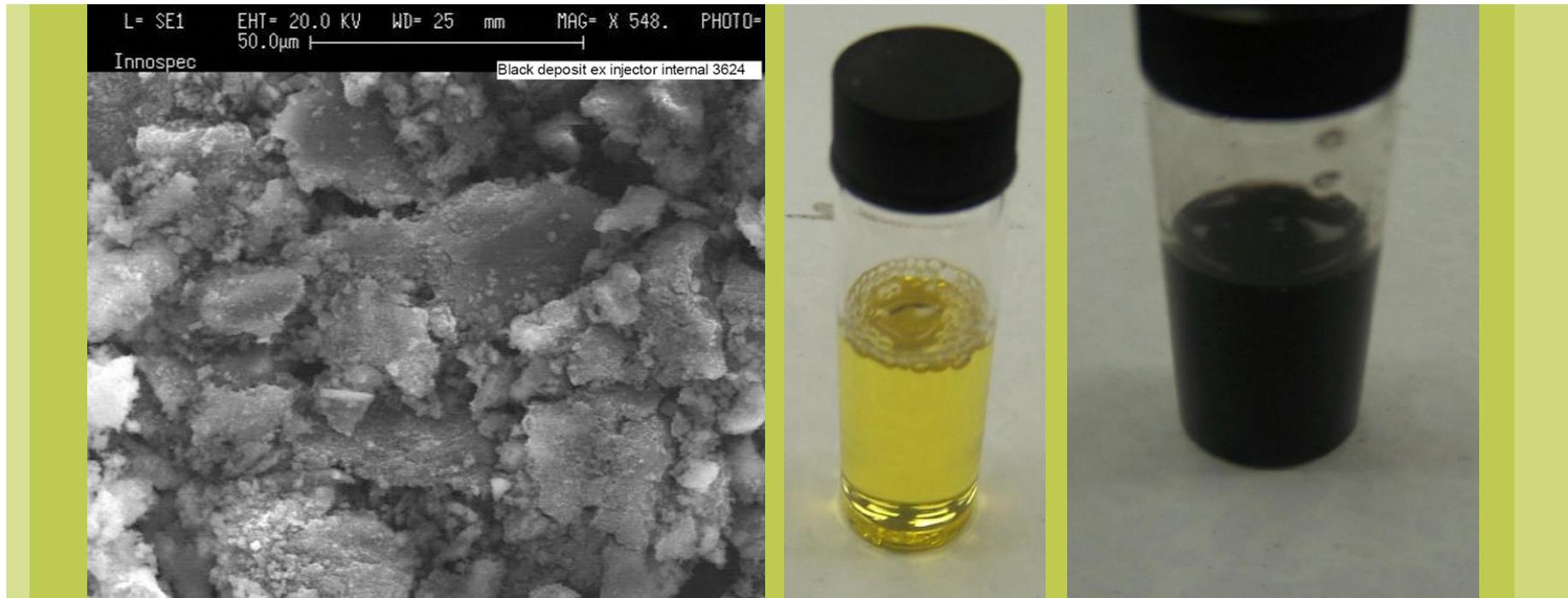
Expected appearance



Appearance of fouled filter

# Fuel filter blocking – illustration

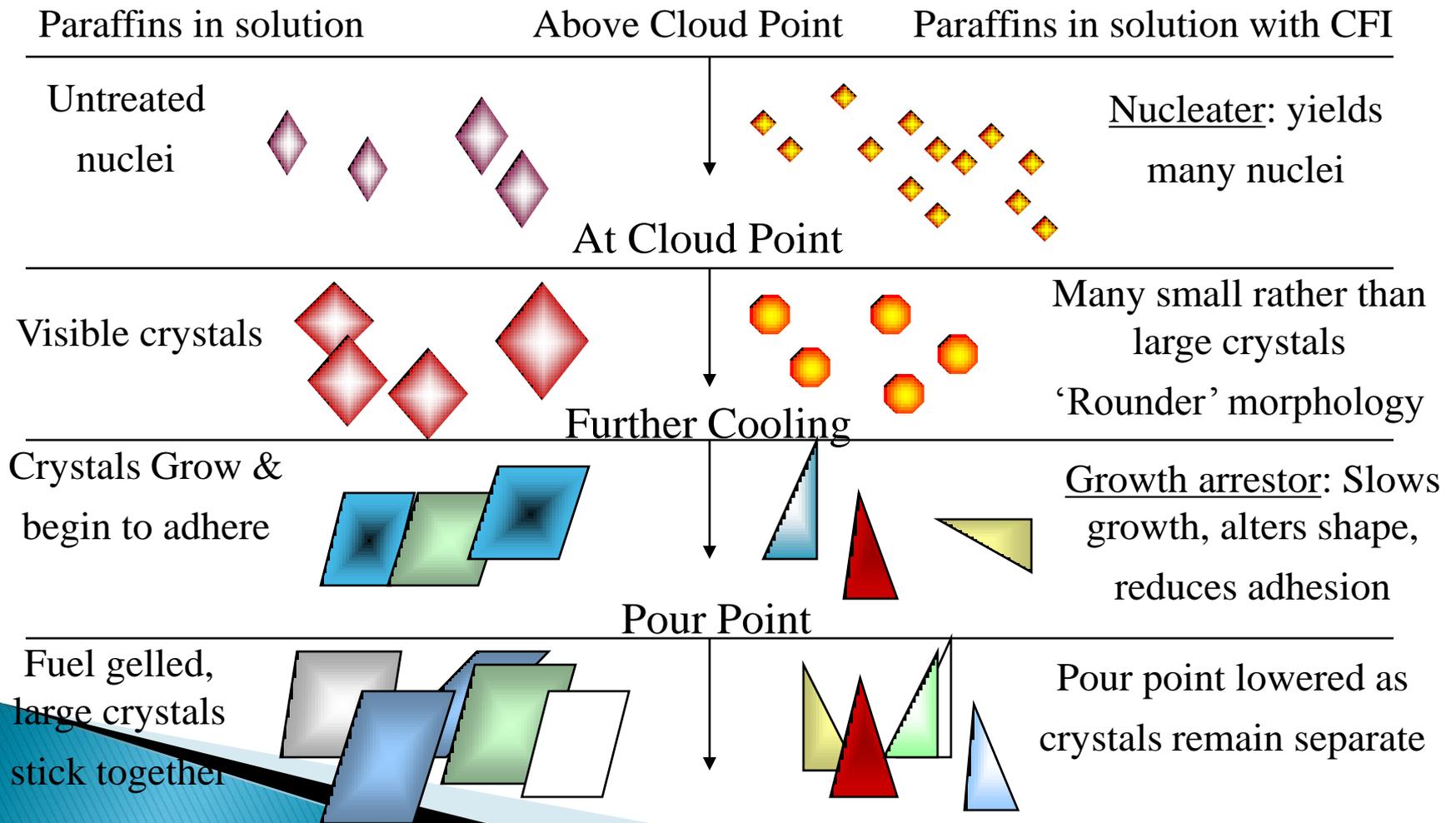
- ▶ Particles appear to be agglomerates of smaller, hydrogen rich carbonaceous particles



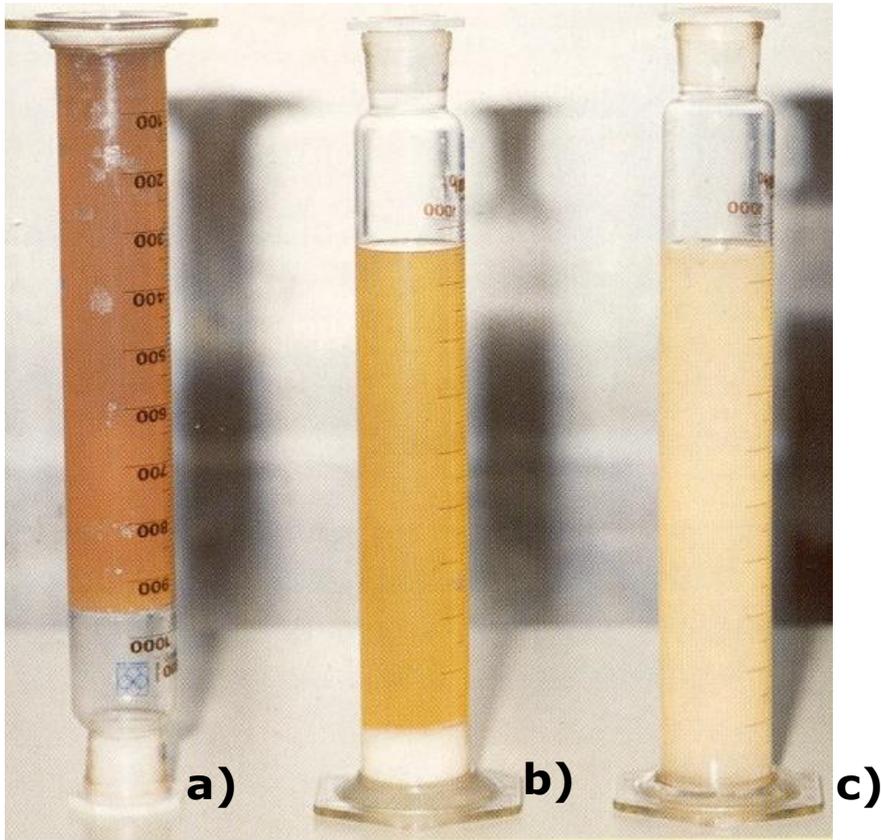
# Common Rail Injection Systems

- ▶ Treatments have been developed to cope with black fuel, sooted filters and increased levels of injector failures in Post 2007 diesel engines. Engines with a High Pressure Common Rail injection system are particularly susceptible to these problems. The primary root cause is that these newer engines operate at very high temperatures and high pressures which thermally oxidizes the fuel at a very advanced rate.

# How Wax Crystals Form



# WASA – Effect



- a) Fuel without CFI and WASA  
⇒ Solid, not pumpable**
- b) Fuel containing CFI only  
⇒ Paraffin sedimentation**
- c) Fuel containing CFI and WASA  
⇒ No paraffin sedimentation  
observed**

CFPP does not  
account for this

# Red Alert Strategy

- ◉ Designed for Emergency use in extreme and prolonged low temperature conditions
- ◉ Anti-gel and de-icer combination dissolves gelled fuel which has already collected on fuel filter
- ◉ Follow appropriate procedures for use of **Red ALERT**
  - See PDS
  - See MSDS for safety and handling
  - Recommended treat rates and dosing procedures must be followed for effective use

# Red Alert Strategy

## ◎ Proactive Treatment

- ◎ If extended period of cold temperatures is expected ( below 0 °F ), especially over an extended shut-down period, eg weekend or holiday period
  1. Add **RED ALERT** directly to the fuel tank at a treatment level of one 32 OZ. bottle to 50 gallons of diesel fuel
    - Overall **RED ALERT** treatment ratio should not exceed one 32oz. Bottle of **RED ALERT** per 50 gals. of diesel fuel.
  2. Idle or run engine for 10 to 15 minutes to ensure all fuel and the filter are treated

# Red Alert Strategy

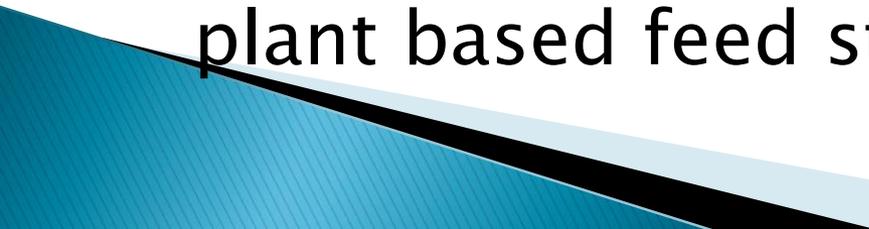
## ⦿ Reactive Treatment

- ⦿ If fuel appears to be gelled on morning of operation before equipment is started
  1. Spin fuel filter and saturate said filter with contents of one 32 oz. bottle of RED ALERT.
  2. Pour remaining contents of the bottle and one additional bottle into the fuel tank.
    - Overall RED ALERT treatment ratio should not exceed one 32oz. Bottle of RED ALERT per 50 gals. of diesel fuel.
  3. Wait 30 to 60 minutes before attempting to start the engine

# PENNDOT Fuel Specifications

- ▶ ULSD Diesel Fuel with Biodiesel
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  - ▶ 80/20 blend of ULSD/Bio and ULSK
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  - ▶ Biodiesel blends structured on contract up to 20% to allow for future legislative mandates
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# Contract Terms and Conditions

- ▶ “When additive is required, it shall be blended with the diesel fuel or heating oil prior to arrival”
  - ▶ “For any ULSD fuel and Bio blend, the bio-fuel shall be injection blended with the diesel fuel”
  - ▶ PCID 1056 “The blend of fuels shall be accomplished by the injection blending method”
  - ▶ PCID 1056 still specifies Bio made from plant based feed stocks
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# Additional Contracts Needed to Support Fuel Maintenance

- ▶ **Tank Cleaning Contract**– Provides each County with easy access to tank cleaning that includes total evacuation of the tank and fuel filtration
- ▶ **Fuel Management Contract**–Offers each County Location additives in bulk or bottle
  - ▶ Cold Flow Improvers
  - ▶ Water Dispersants
  - ▶ Microbial Treatments



# Any Questions?????

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