

Technologies for Reducing Black Carbon From Marine Engines

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Agenda

The following engine system technologies are available TODAY to reduce black carbon:

- FCT (flexible camshaft technology)
- Natural Gas Engines (& dual fuel engines)
- SCR (selective catalytic reduction)



Reducing PM also reduces black carbon

- In engine test cells, manufacturers measure PM (particulate matter) which includes both black carbon and non-black carbon components.
- The black carbon to non-black carbon ratio varies.
- Reducing PM with the technologies discussed in this presentation also reduces black carbon.



Flexible Camshaft Technology

- Normally, lower engine loads results in higher PM.
- FCT allows for PM reduction at low loads (e.g. operation under ice conditions in the Arctic) while maintaining optimum performance at high loads.
- At low loads, FCT retards intake valve timing while advancing start of injection (SOI) to reduce PM.
- Improves transient response at low engine loads (i.e low vessel speeds).
- Valve and injection timing return to normal when operating at higher loads.



FCT major components





Controller

Actuator



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iL1nVAJdijU

Example of FCT on a marine engine



Natural gas fuel can reduce black carbon

- Natural gas and dual fuel (NG w/ diesel ignition) engines can be designed to have low PM.
- Dual fuel engines can lower emissions on a per-unit energy basis when compared with diesel (including lower CO₂ emissions).
- Dual fuel engines are available as new.
- Existing engines can also be retrofitted.



MaK M 46 DF

• Dual fuel engine can reduce PM by 90%.

Total Exhaust Gas Emission Balance LNG vs Diesel



Up to 10% lower than M43 C

Source: Andreas Banck (MaK)





https://youtu.be/_Xjj6KJ_Qr4? list=UU7nWdc4LnuDTSp4j2Clyid September 07, 2016 **CATERPILLAR**[®]

SCR systems lower both NOx and PM

- A study published by IMO in 2015 stated that "There is sparse evidence that BC reductions can occur with SCR (up to 35%)"
 - Study assumed SCR is retrofitted without any engine optimizations and does not account for in-cylinder PM reduction.
 - It is common for today's SCR optimized engines to reduce PM by up to 80% over IMO II while improving fuel economy.
- SCR aftertreatment reduces NOx by +90%.

- 15% BC reduction expected with Vanadia SCR.

• US EPA Tier 4 Marine and IMO Tier III engines utilizing SCR have significant reductions in PM.



Engine operation optimized for SCR

- Ideally, start with an engine designed for low-PM / BSFC.
- Calibrate engine for low PM emissions.



- This has the added benefit of reducing fuel consumption.
- SCR + urea is then used to reduce exhaust NOx down to a desired level.

Available Caterpillar / MaK SCR Systems

Key features:

- Complete marine certification society solution.
- Consists of SCR chamber, mixing tube, urea injection system and dosing cabinet.
- Urea transfer pump skid optional available.
- IMO Tier III certification.
- Optimized engine and SCR system.
- Application and installation support for every market segment and ship type.
- Available as a retrofit package.



Summary

- Good options exist today to reduce black carbon, for both new engines and as retrofits for existing engines.
- SCR with optimized engine is an attractive solution because it also improves fuel economy (lowers CO₂) while reducing black carbon.
- US EPA Tier 4 Marine and IMO Tier III engines utilizing SCR have significant reductions in black carbon.

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