# Cooling System Training

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### Understanding and Maintaining Diesel Engine Cooling Systems





### Understanding Cooling System Requirements



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### The Functions of Coolant

- Removes excess heat from the engine.
- Protects the engine components from corrosion.
- Protects the engine from freeze damage in cold weather.
- Prevents wet sleeve liner cavitation in diesel engines.



### Introduction to Cooling System Problems

### ✓ Corrosion family.

- Cylinder liner cavitation/erosion.
- Component corrosion.
- Radiator metal corrosion.









#### Cylinder Liner Cavitation-Erosion (Liner Pitting)

- This problem happens when air enters the cooling system.
- It is aggravated by the vibration of the liner caused by the movement of the piston.
- Nitrite prevents cavitation-erosion.





### Cavitation-erosion (Liner Pitting)

In untreated systems, imploding bubbles of air bore through the steel liners.





### Cavitation-erosion (Liner Pitting)

In treated systems, imploding bubbles of air are blocked by nitrite.





### Water Pump Damage

#### Water pumps may fail in one of two ways:

- Corrosion or erosion of water pump metal components (pictured).
- Premature wear of water pump seals from solids in the coolant.



Water pump from failed ASTM 2809 test



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### Corrosion of the Block or other Engine Components

- Metals susceptible to corrosion are: Aluminum, Iron, Solder, Steel, Copper, and Brass.
- To protect the engine from corrosion attack, a well designed coolant inhibitor package must be used.







### **Radiator Corrosion**

- Direct attack on radiator metals, including solder bloom.
- Plugging of passages from either unstable inhibitors or corrosion products.





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## Cooling System Problems

- Scale and precipitate family.
  - Water pump seal failure.
  - Radiator plugging.
  - Silicate drop-out (green goo).
  - Scale formation on cylinder heads.
    - Overheating.







### Water Pump Seal Failure

 Solids in poorly formulated coolants may drop out and damage seals.





### **Drop-Out in Radiators**

- Radiator passages can become plugged by unstable inhibitors, especially phosphate and silicate.
- Plugged radiators can no longer efficiently dissipate heat to the atmosphere, and the engine may overheat.





### Drop-Out (Green Goo)

- Plugged radiators.
- Plugged heaters cores and oil coolers.
- Costly downtime and unnecessary wear on engine and cooling system.





### Cylinder Head Scale

- Scale forms from chemicals found in drinking water.
- This is the problem that is prevented when customers follow DDC water quality recommendations.
- Scale can totally destroy an engine by causing overheating.





### Phosphate (PO<sub>4</sub>)

#### Iron protection/pH control.

- Limited solubility in water and Ethylene Glycol.
- Does not dissipate.
- Drops-out easily, especially in the presence of hard water.



### Molybdate (MoO<sub>4</sub>)

- Reduces the nitrite concentration.
- Does not deplete in use, therefore topping off the system adds unnecessary solids.
- ☑ Needs oxygen to function.
- ✓ It is very expensive.
- The use of Molybdate complicates the evaluation of coolant chemistry.



### Total Dissolves Solids (TDS)

 Solids Contribute To Corrosion.
 Drop-Out Caused By Solids.
 Minimizes The Life Of The Coolant.
 Minimizes The Life Of The Water Pump.



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### **Initial Fill**

#### (Factory-Fill or Replacement After Cooling System Service)

#### Coolant Composition.

- Extended Service
   Antifreeze.
  - Fully-Formulated Conventional Technology (TMC RP-329 type A).
  - Non-Nitrited Organic Acid Technology (OAT).
- Deionized Water.





### Extended Service Fully Formulated Technology

Nitrite
Nitrate
Silicate
Borate
MBT/TT

The formulation uses a low silicate and phosphate free technology. It is engineered to protect all of the metals and components in any cooling system. It is the foundation of a Fill-For-Life® coolant program.



1. Traditional Extended Service Life Program

#### P.M. interval:

- 20,000 miles.
- 3 months.
- Or 500 operating hours.
- Test the coolant with PowerTrac test strip.
  - Nitrite concentration.
  - Freeze point (glycol concentration).
  - Molybdate.





### **Coolant Maintenance**

1. Traditional Extended Service Life Program (continued)

- Add antifreeze if the freeze point is weak, add water if the freeze point is too strong.
- Finally, add coolant additive (or change filter) only if the nitrite concentration is less than 1,200 ppm.



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### Coolant Maintenance 2. Extended Service Life Need-Release Filter Program

With proper initial fill coolant, spin on the Need-Release filter.





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### **Coolant Maintenance**

2. Extended Service Life Need-Release Filter Program (continued)

- ✓ At oil P.M. intervals, use a PowerTrac test strip to check coolant condition.
- Change the Need-Release filter at:
  - 15 months or
  - 150,000 miles or
  - 3,000 operating hours.
- Replace coolant at 600,000 miles.









#### Extended Service Life Cooling System Products:

#### **POWERCOOL**

Extended Service Fully-Formulated Antifreeze

*POWERCOOL Need-Release*<sup>®</sup> Extended
 Service Life Filters



#### Advanced Cooling System Products:

#### POWERCOOL 3000

- Supplemental Coolant Additives
  - Liquids
  - Spin-On Filters
- POWERCOOL 2000
  - Supplemental Coolant Additives
    - Liquids
- POWERCOOL 3149
  - Supplemental Coolant Additives for Series 149
    - Liquids
    - Spin-On Filters





#### **Common Features**

- Low in Total Dissolved Solids.
- ✓ Premium Cooling System Protection.
- Phosphate-free technology to optimize water pump life.
- Distinctive color.



#### This is Your Engine's Liner Without **POWER** COOL®







### **POWERCOOL 2000 SCA**

- Keeps "water only" systems running clean.
- Controls metal corrosion, cavitation erosion and formation of scale deposits.
- Adds minimum solids to the cooling system, optimizing the water pump life.
   Available only as liquid.



### **POWERCOOL 3000 SCA**

- Contains corrosion inhibitors and Stabil-Aid<sup>®</sup>.
- Protects all metals against corrosion and cavitation.
- Prevents coolant gel.
- Prevents hot surface scale.
- Reduces downtime, maintenance expense and engine wear.
- Available in 6 sizes of spin-on filters and in 5 liquid containers.



### **POWERCOOL 3149 SCA**

23518070

- Formulated specifically for SERIES 149 Engines.
- Silicate-free and phosphate-free.
- Available in liquid or convenient spin-on filters.
  - ✓ 4 oz. Maintenance 23518069
  - 32 oz. Pre-charge
  - ✓ 53 oz Pre-charge 23518071



### Extended Service Antifreeze/Coolant

- ✓ Fully-Formulated. (Requires no SCA pre-charge)
- Low silicate, non-phosphate. formula eliminates gel problems.
- Protects against hot surface scale formation.
- Excellent cylinder liner protection.
- Protects for the life of the engine.



#### Extended Service Life **Need-Release**®

- ✓ 2 Sizes:
  - Cooling System Capacity
    - 1-8 Gallon 23516488
    - **8-20 Gallon 23516489**
- 150,000 miles, 15 months, 3,000 hours between changes.





#### Extended Service Life **Need-Release**®

- POWERCOOL Extended Service Life Antifreeze used with POWERCOOL Need-Release filters, tested regularly, can run up to 600,000 miles.
- ✓ Need-Release lasts 150,000 miles, 15 months, or 3,000 hours.
- Releases SCA as needed, maintaining proper inhibitor levels.
- Reduces costs.
  - A Single Need-Release Filter replaces up to 10 standard filters.

### **POWERCOOL** Fill-For-Life® Extended Service Life Coolant Maintenance Program

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### Fill-For-Life<sup>®</sup> Program

- Fully-formulated Extended Service POWERCOOL antifreeze / coolant. (TMC RP-329 Type A or ASTM D-6210 specification).
- Extended Service Life Need-Release installed.
  - Change at 15 months/150,000 miles.

#### ✓ PowerTrac test strips.

To detect road service invasion.



### Summary

- ✓ Use Extended Service Life POWER COOL antifreeze and pure water.
- Maintain with Extended Service Life Need-Release or POWER COOL SCAs.
- When coolant change is necessary, recycle with reverse osmosis, fractional distillation, or ion exchange technologies.
- DDC approves this coolant program in service for 600,000 miles.
- Lowest operating cost.

# Thank You

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