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# Fuel Challenges and Fuel Testing Requirements for the Next Decade

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Active research in areas of importance to the European Refining Industry

**Auto Emissions & Fuel Quality Air Quality** Water/Soil Quality & Waste **Oil Pipelines** Safety

**Refinery Technology Support Health Science Petroleum Products Risk Assessment Implementation of REACH & GHS** 

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- Open to companies that own refining capacity in Europe
- Currently 41 Members and Associates\*
  - ▶ Representing ~100% of European refining capacity

AlmaPetroli	INEOS	<b>PKN Orlen</b>
APC	IPLOM	Preem
api	Koch	Repsol
BP	KPI	<b>Raffinerie Heide</b>
CEPSA	LOTOS	Rompetrol
Chevron	LUKOIL	SARA
ConocoPhillips	LyondellBasell	SARAS
ENI	MOL	Shell
ERG	Motor Oil (Hellas)	SRD
ExxonMobil	Murco	Statoil
Galp Energia	Neste Oil	St1
Hansen & Rosenthal	Nynäs	Tamoil
<b>Hellenic Petroleum</b>	OMV	TOTAL
INA*	Petroplus	

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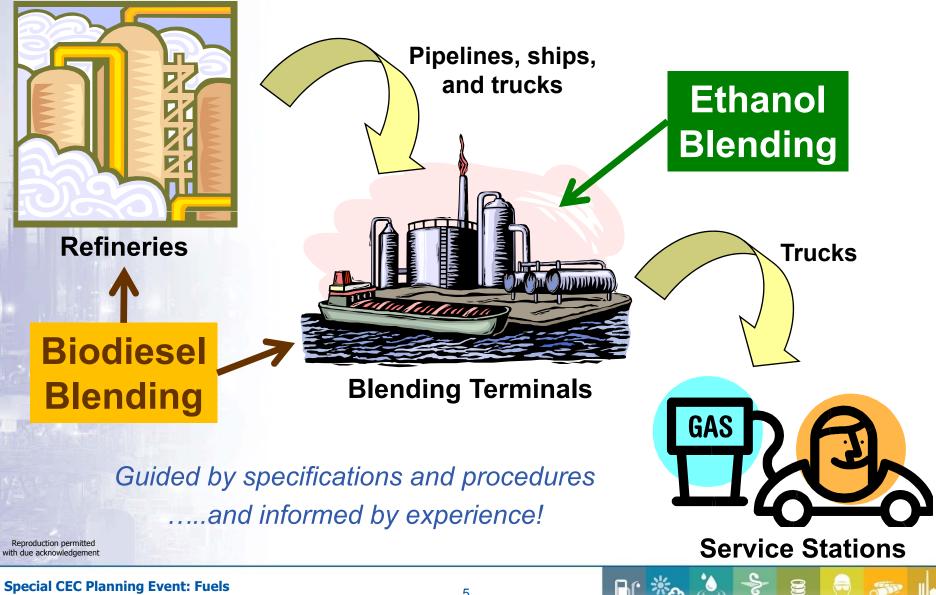


#### **Topics**

- High-level overview of the fuel manufacturing, supply, and distribution business
- Ensuring 'fit for purpose' fuels in the marketplace
- In the past, familiar requirements and familiar options
- In the future, new requirements and new options
  - Case study: unintended consequences from low-level fuel components and their impact on diesel injector deposits
- What lies ahead?

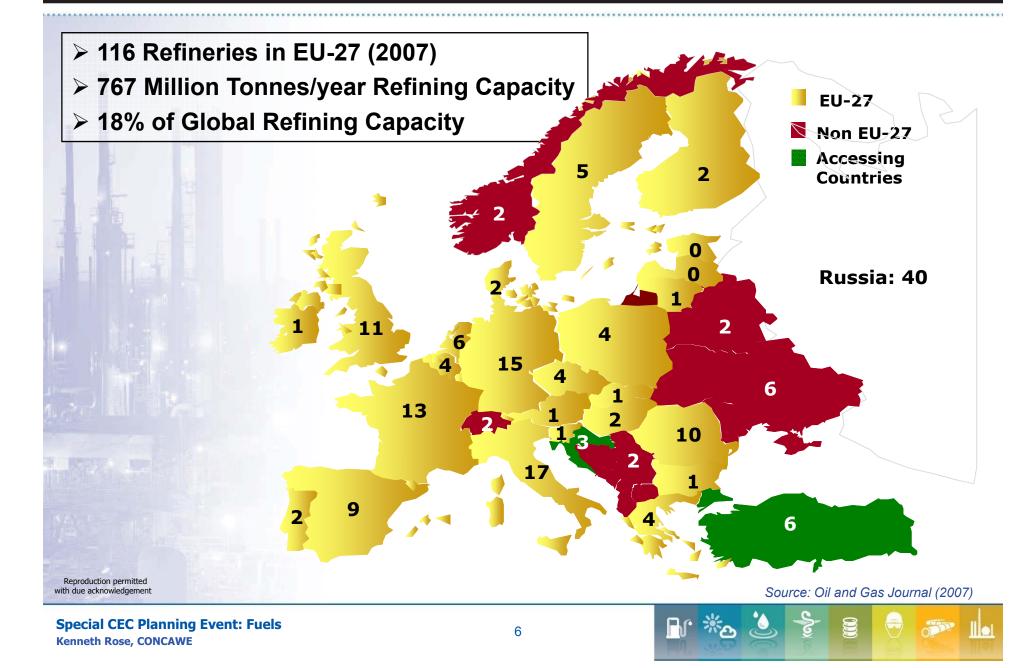
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#### **Schematic of the Fuel Distribution System** concawe



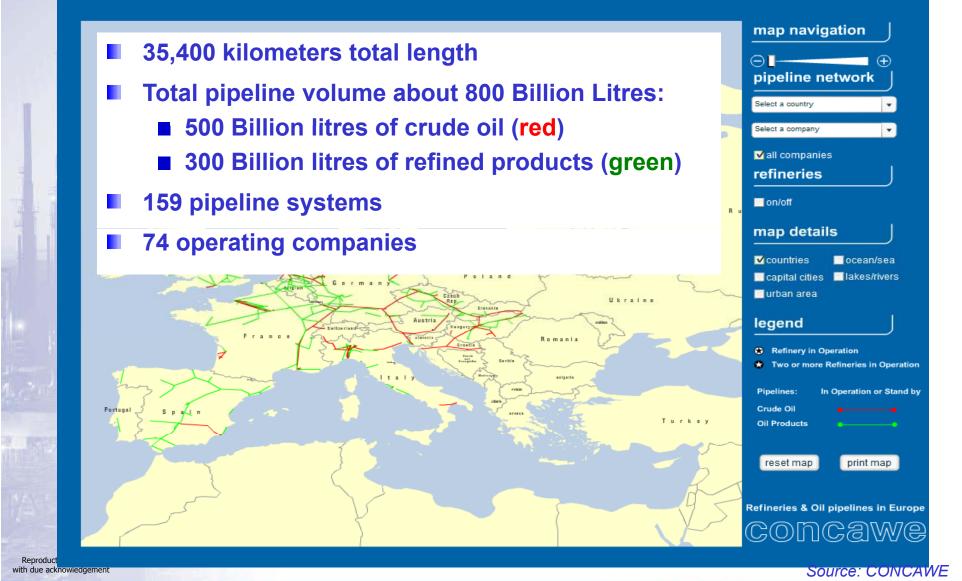
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## **European Refineries**



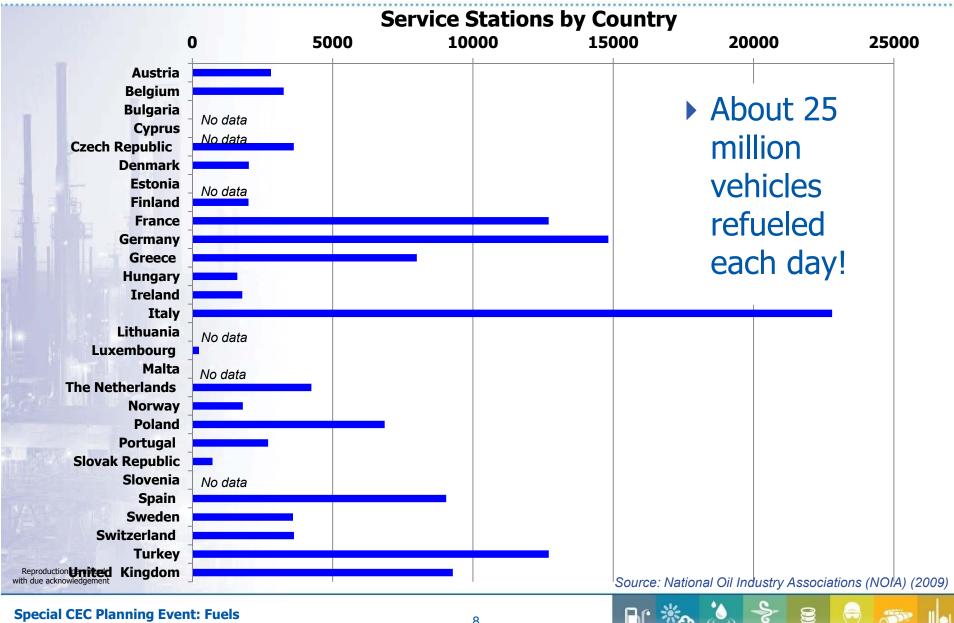
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### concawe European Pipeline Distribution System



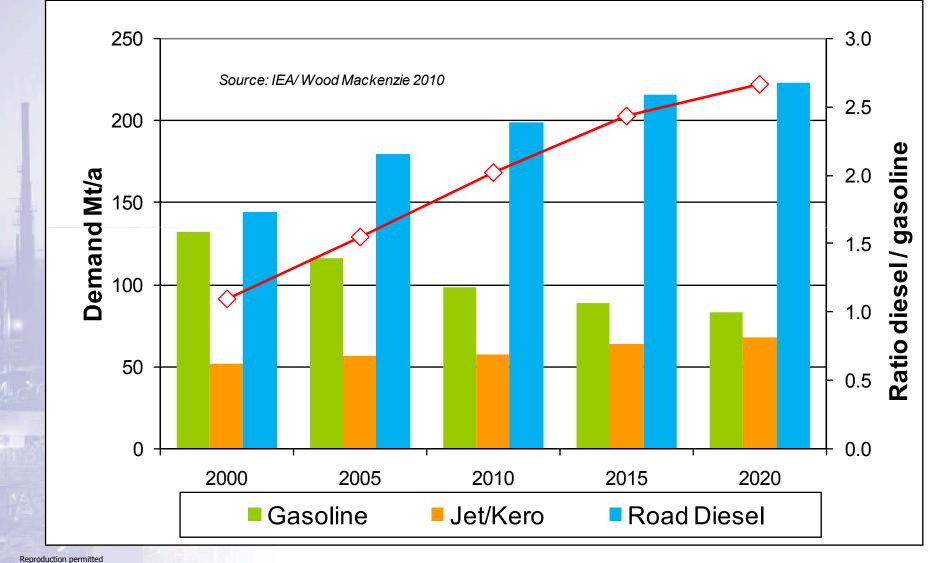


### More than 130,000 Service Stations



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### **EU-27 Transport Fuel Demand**



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#### concawe How Much Fuel Is 300 Million Tonnes per Year?

It's about 1 Billion litres per day!

OR

About 21 times the volume of the Arc de Triomphe!



Eiffel Tower (300m x 100m x 100m)



Arc de Triomphe (50m x 45m x 22m)

OR

About the same volume as the Eiffel Tower!

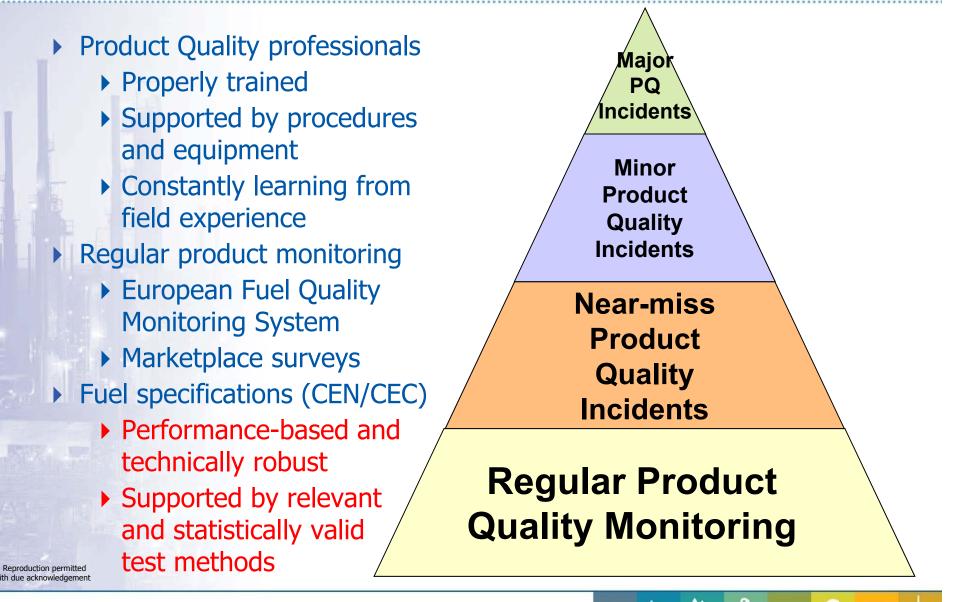


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### concawe Ensuring 'Fit for Purpose' Fuel Quality



- **Regulatory** driven changes impacting refineries
  - Permit changes reducing environmental emission levels
  - EU Emissions Trading Scheme & CO<sub>2</sub> allowances
  - Fuels Quality Directive & refinery energy efficiency
- Quality driven changes to petroleum products
  - Sulphur reduction in transport fuels, especially marine bunker fuel
  - Renewable Energy Directive increasing biofuel blending
  - ▶ Euro 4, 5, 6, & ? Plus vehicle CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reduction
- **Demand** driven changes affecting fuel production
  - Reduction in overall demand due to greater energy efficiency
  - Substitution of biofuels for refinery fossil fuels
  - Increasing demand for diesel & decreasing demand for gasoline
  - Possible changes in future exports and imports
- Marketing driven changes affecting product differentiation
  - Product lines and advertising strategies

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Guiding Principles for European fuel quality specifications:

- Enable regulatory priorities and vehicle improvements
- Ensure "fit for purpose" fuels and blending components
- Based on relevant, technically robust, and statistically valid engine, rig, and analytical methods
- Provide an appropriate margin for supply and distribution
- Developed with extensive stakeholder participation
- Anticipate transitions from today to tomorrow

CEC helps the fuel producers ensure these Guiding Principles:

- Identify the fuel qualities that enable new vehicle and aftertreatment technologies to meet today's emissions standards and to anticipate tomorrow's
- Provide reliable data for potential marketing opportunities
- Ensure common understanding of current and future problems

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CEC activities include:

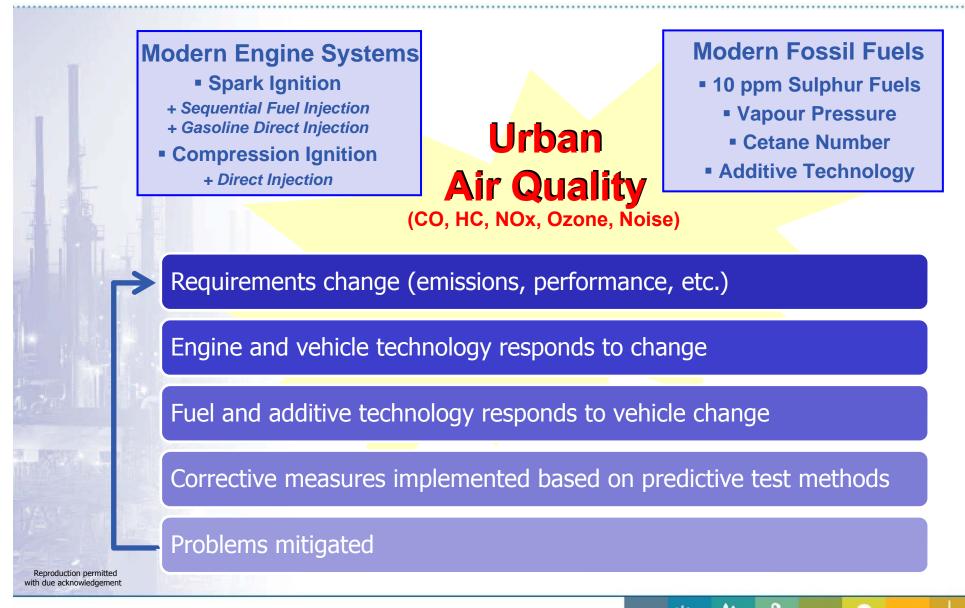
- (a) Devising test procedures and protocols;
- (b) Establishing precision, reliability and constancy of such procedures and arising data and correlation to end-use applications;
- (c) Publishing test methods, codes of practice and technical information related to or arising from CEC activities. These publications are available to CEC members and non-members throughout the world;
- (d) Monitoring of the efficacy of CEC test methods and codes of practice both in terms of evolving technology and as applied by users;
- (e) Amending or withdrawing methods and codes of practice which are judged to be no longer useful.

#### Key elements of the CEC process:

- Quality requirements for test laboratories (ISO 9001, ISO 17025)
- Reference Fuels Group, Statistical Development Group, Rating Group
- Web-based test monitoring scheme

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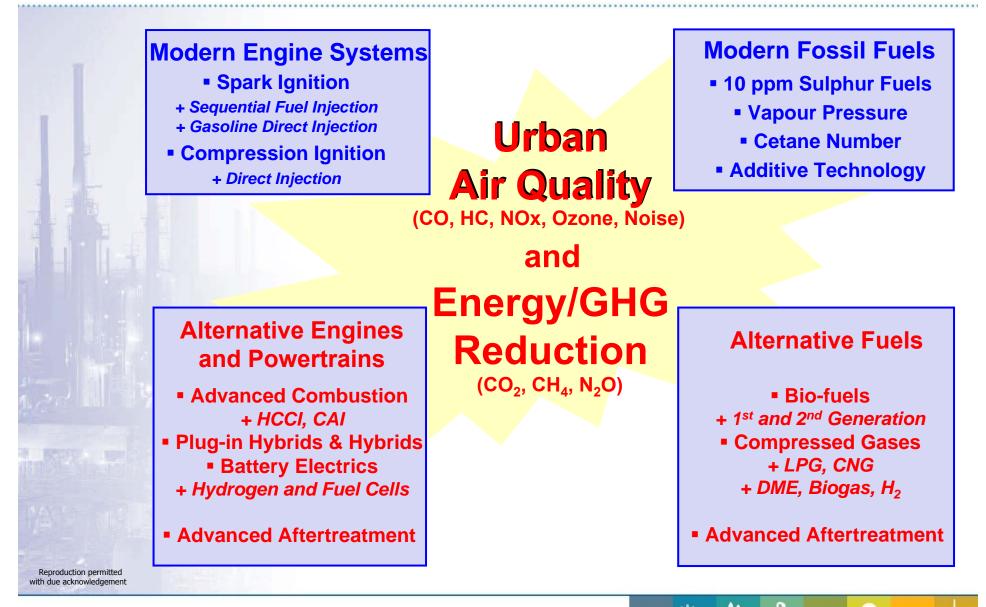
	Test Method	Engine Type	Fuel Product	Test For:
	F-05-93	M102E	Gasoline	Inlet valve cleanliness
	F-16-96	VW Wasserboxer	Gasoline	Inlet valve sticking
	L-54-96	MB M111 FE	Gasoline	Lubricant fuel economy effects
	F-06-96 (U)	HFRR Rig Test	Diesel	Diesel fuel lubricity
	F-20-98	MB M111 EVO	Gasoline	Intake valve and combustion chamber deposits
	F-23-01	PSA XUD9A	Diesel	Injector nozzle coking, indirect injection systems
	F-98-08	PSA DW10	Diesel	Injector fouling, direct injection systems
	M-92-03	Code of Practice	Gasoline	Starting problems with combustion chamber deposits
	P-017-97 Reference Fuels Manual		els Manual	
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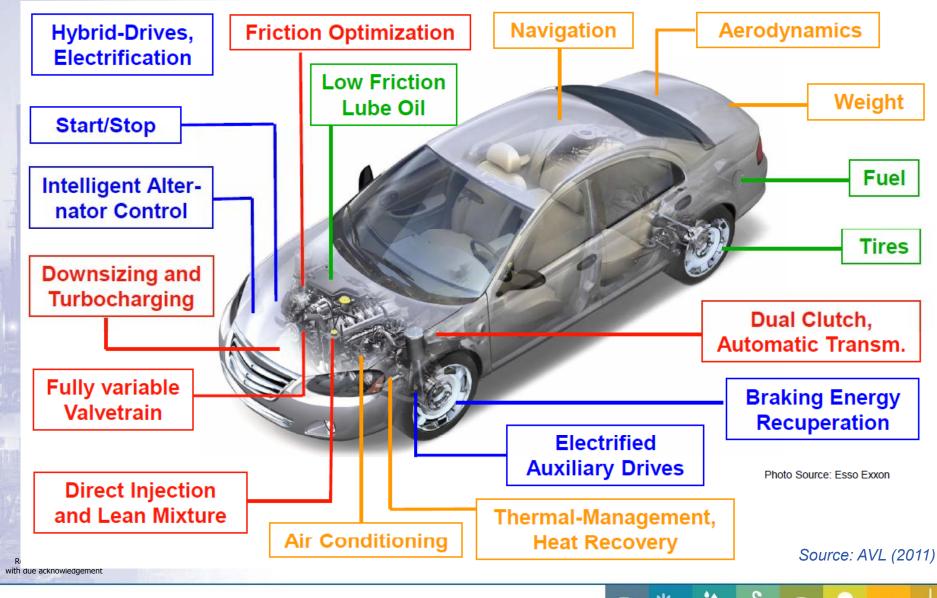
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#### concawe In the Future: New Requirements & New Options



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### concawe Technologies for Efficiency Improvements



### concawe Case Study: Internal Injector Sticking Deposits

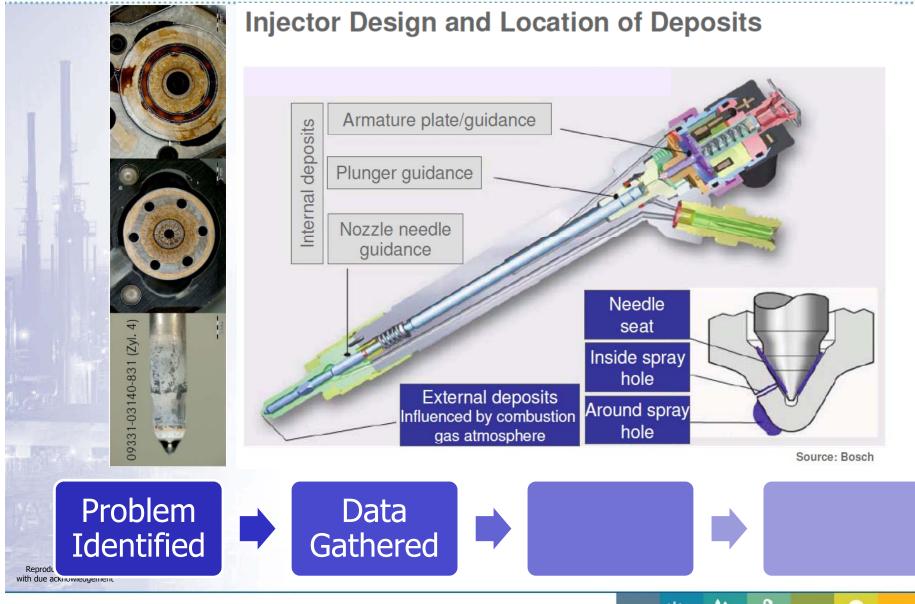
- Field problems identified with sticking diesel fuel injectors through customer complaints and warranty problems
- OEMs and Fuel Injector Suppliers brought this problem to the attention of CEN Work Group 24 (May 2011) and a multi-stakeholder Task Force was immediately formed to investigate

Business Sectors	Contributing Organisations to WG24 Task Force		
OEMs	Daimler, Ford, Opel, PSA, and Renault		
Fuel Injector Suppliers	Bosch, Delphi, and Denso		
Fuel Suppliers	BP, CONCAWE, ExxonMobil, Repsol, Shell, Statoil, and Total		
Additive Suppliers	Afton, BASF, Infineum, and Lubrizol		
Biodiesel Producers	ADM and the European Biodiesel Board (EBB)		
Other Contributors	CLH Pipeline Company (Spain) Unione Petrolifera (Italian Oil Industry Association)		
Problem Identified			

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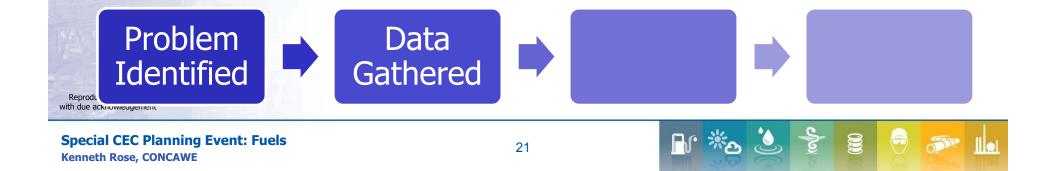


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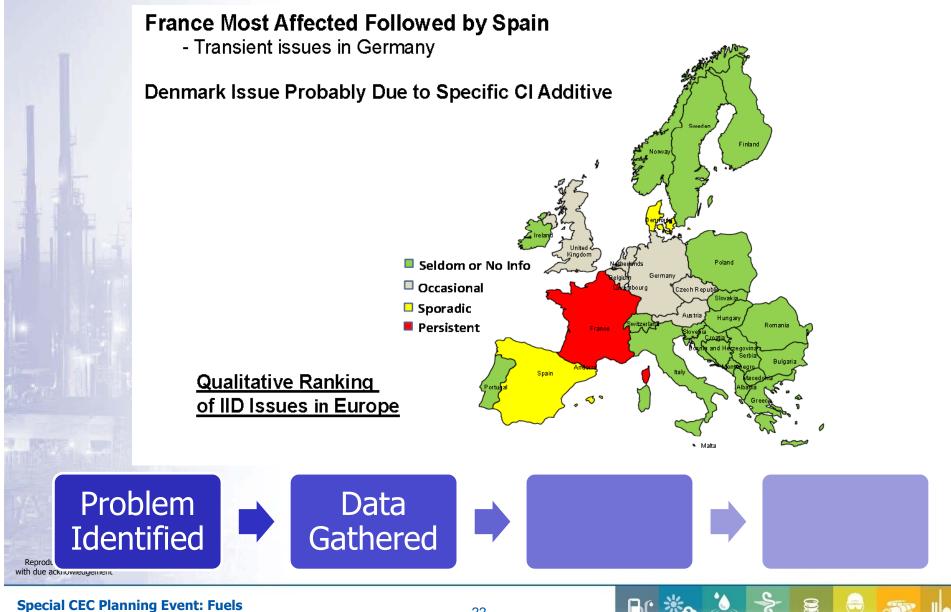
- Two new types of deposits identified inside diesel fuel injectors through detailed analytical investigations
  - Carboxylate soaps and amide deposits
  - All major OEMs and injector suppliers affected
  - More injector sticking cases reported in wintertime
    - Deterioration of fuel injector performance is most apparent to drivers under cold starting and operating conditions where precise control of the fuel injection is required

Both Solenoid and Piezo actuated injectors are affected

Small component clearances and more complicated injection profiles requiring very precise control of the injector needle, making these technologies particularly sensitive to internal injector deposits



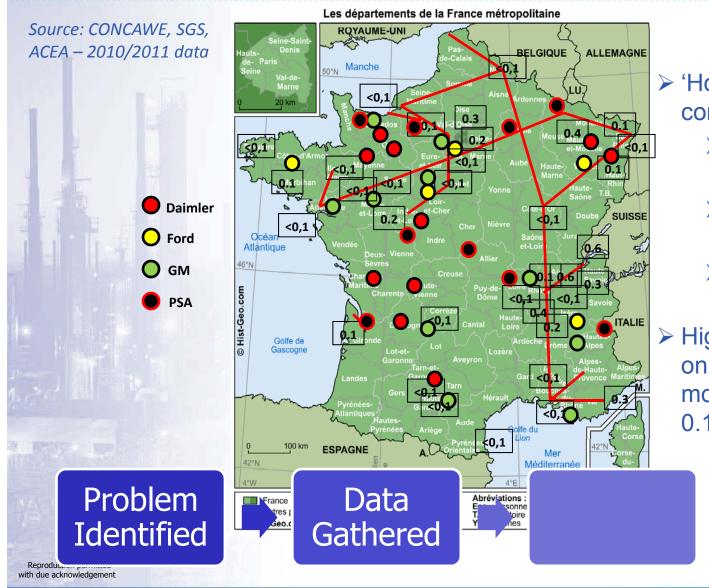
### Qualitative Ranking of IDID Problems



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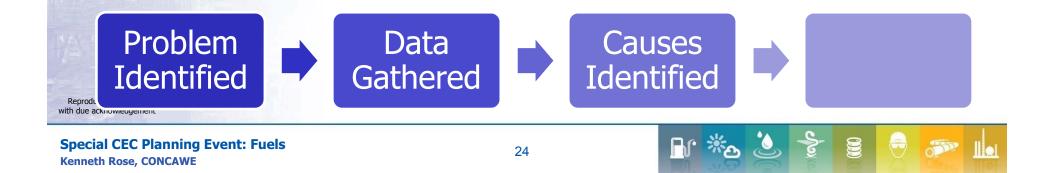
### **Identifying IDID 'Hot Spots' in France**



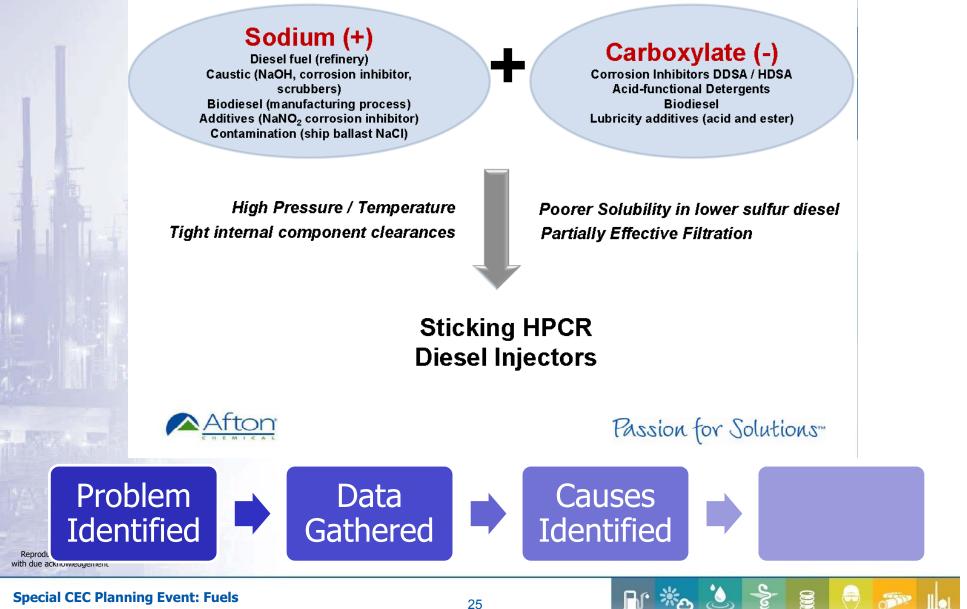
'Hot spots' identified by comparing:

- Locations of vehicle problems
- Sodium levels in market fuels
- Pipeline distribution system
- Highest sodium levels only about 0.6ppm, most levels less than 0.1ppm

- More stringent Euro 4 and 5 vehicle emissions standards
  - Higher fuel injection pressures (1800 bar)
  - Very small fuel injector nozzles
  - Higher operating temperatures
  - Need for more precise control of fuel injection
  - Sulphur free diesel
    - Change in solvency
- Higher biodiesel blending up to 7% Fatty Acid Methyl Ester (FAME)
  - Additional source of dissolved cations and weak acids
  - Fuel distribution system
    - Potential for inadvertent pick-up in pipeline transit



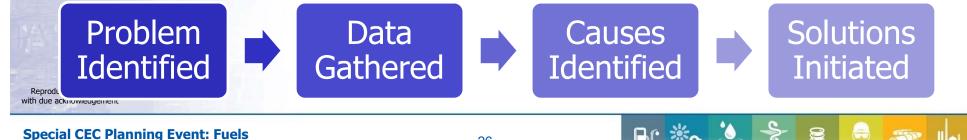
### **Working Hypothesis**



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#### concawe Current Status and Proposal for CEC Test

- Task Force has raised forensic evidence with those responsible for fuel supply and distribution
  - Particular types of pipeline corrosion inhibitors can contribute to higher sodium levels
  - Combination of sodium-based inhibitors and traces of carboxylic acids result in higher levels of diesel injector sticking incidents
  - Alternative inhibitor technologies have been recommended and are being considered for deployment, followed by monitoring
- A light-duty diesel engine has been offered as a CEC test candidate that is known to be sensitive to internal diesel injector deposits
- OEM in-house test procedure has also been proposed to evaluate fuels and additives for IDID problems and mitigation
- Prompt actions on IDID provide a good model for future developments



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### concawe Future Challenges and Requirements

- Regulatory requirements
  - Lower vehicle emissions performance & enhanced durability
  - Penalties for unsatisfactory performance
  - Mandates for fuel suppliers to use biofuels and reduce CO<sub>2</sub>

### Engines, vehicles, and aftertreatment

- Pushing technology boundaries:
  - higher pressures
  - higher operating temperatures
  - tighter tolerances
  - increasing sensitivity to previously insignificant changes
- Diversification of vehicle strategies, hardware, and fuel types
- Fuels and additives
  - More diverse blending components
  - Increasing reliance on additive solutions
- Evaluation and implementation cycle
  - Insufficient time to anticipate and correct potential problems
  - Increasing fixes based on what has worked well in the past

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- All CEC stakeholders are interested in happy customers!
  - Customers, like you and me, expect fit for purpose products that are conveniently available and provide good value for money
  - Changes in vehicle requirements drive innovation and change in engines and aftertreatment technologies
    - This can be expected to continue, even accelerate, in the future!
- Changes in vehicle technologies drive continuous re-evaluation of fuel and fuel additive requirements
  - This can be expected to continue, even accelerate, in the future!
  - Increasing biofuel blending and diversification in fuel types will require continued vigilance, communication, and testing
- The CEC process and CEC-developed test methods provide a valuable means to ensure current and future performance

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#### **In Conclusion Too!**

## **CONCAWE is happy to congratulate**

The Coordinating European Council for the Development of Performance Tests for Fuel, Lubricants and other Fluids

## on its 10<sup>th</sup> re-Birth Day!

For fuel products, and all consumers of fuel products, your past contributions have been valuable and will continue to be in the future!

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