



"When Fluid Quality Matters"

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Flowtonics™ Announces Plans to Deliver an Oil Quality Sensor to the Marketplace.

Flowtonics to market fluid quality sensor for predictive health management of passenger and commercial vehicles.

Grand Blanc, MI, and Rochester, NY, October 31, 2006 – Flowtonics LLC announces plans to provide an inline solution for vehicle engine health management. This family of state-of-the-art fluid quality sensors with onboard processing can directly monitor engine oil quality in real-time. Flowtonics is seeking development partners for application-specific versions of the sensor based on the partner's market needs. First generation functional oil quality sensors are currently being road tested in both gasoline and diesel engine applications.

Flowtonics' fluid quality sensor is designed to output actionable information as a part of current vehicle architecture (engine code and warning light) or in concert with a vehicle telematics system, such as the onboard rugged mobile computer solution offered by Azentek™, to communicate oil health on and off the vehicle. The use of such smart prognostic sensor systems by commercial and military fleet managers would result in a significant cost and time savings, as well as a reduction in the environmental burden as compared with traditional time-based predictive maintenance schedules for the upkeep of their vehicles. A smart onboard fluid quality system could prove to be beneficial to OEMs for warranty cost reductions. It would give vehicle consumers a more worry-free ownership experience, with less frequent, oil change notifications and even warn them of service abuse before buying a used vehicle.

"With the use of this technology for fluid quality and an in-vehicle computing solution with navigation, geo-fencing, tracking, J1939/CAN interface, our customers now have the option to scale from individual vehicle health monitoring to complete fleet wellness management, optimizing and staying ahead of maintenance needs," stated Johnny Cooper, President of Flowtonics. "Providing the best, most cost efficient way to maintain a high level of performance and reliability is critical to helping our customers gain a competitive advantage. That is why we are first to offer this advanced, broadband sensor technology solution to the marketplace."

"This emerging technology and systems integration breakthrough provides the tool essential for equipment owners/operators to know the health of fluids and mechanical systems real time." stated Ron Parrott, an industry specialist. "This will directly lead to increased R.O.I. and reduction in costly essential recycling (green factor) and help to alleviate some of the economic pressure America has on oil dependency."

The Flowtonics family of sensors use a patented broadband electrochemical impedance interrogation technology to fingerprint changes in an array of fluid quality parameters for health management of engine fluids. Military contractor Impact Technologies had originally developed the technology for increasing reliability and reducing maintenance costs for Navy diesel engines; the company has granted an exclusive license to Flowtonics for the sensing technology. Second-generation applications are expected to include transmission fluids, crude oil, lubricants, refrigerants, and fuels. Sensors are being developed for other markets including: industrial heavy equipment, marine, agricultural equipment, and the oil industry -- whenever and wherever fluid quality matters.

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