Glossary of Terms

TERM	USAGE

Aerosol Submicron particles suspended in air, gas or vapor. A fog, fume, or smoke.

Bulk Density Ratio of total mass or weight of the material divided by the volume of the

material (includes void volume in the case of solids).

Coalesce To unite small droplets of one liquid preparatory to its being separated from

another liquid. Filter/coalescer cartridges coalesce small water droplets present in water contaminated fuel and certain oils into larger drops which

are then separated by gravity.

Continuous Phase The basic product flowing through a filter or filter/separator which continues

on through a system after being subjected to solids and/or water removal.

Delta P See "Pressure Drop" on reverse.

Discontinuous Phase The phase dispersed in the continuous phase; water is a discontinuous

phase to be separated from a hydrocarbon liquid or from air or gas.

Drop The quantity of liquid which makes up one spherical mass; a liquid globule.

Droplet A minute drop which may coalesce to form larger drops.

Effluent Stream of fluid at the outlet of a filter or filter/separator.

Opposite of influent.

Emulsion A dispersion of fine droplets in the continuous phase.

Entrained Water Discrete visible water droplets carried by a continuous hydrocarbon phase.

Fiber Migration Carry-over of fibers from filter or separator media material into the effluent.

Fiber migration is a qualitative part of total media migration.

Filtrate The fluid which has passed through filtering media. Also referred to as

effluent from filters.

Gravity Separation Separation of immiscible phases resulting from a difference in specific

gravity (Settling).

Hydrophobic Water repelling. Lacking affinity for water. Opposite of hydrophilic.



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Immiscible Liquids which are mutually insoluble; opposite of miscible.

Influent Stream of fluid at the inlet of a filter or filter/separator.

Opposite of effluent.

Media Migration Carry-over of fibers and particles from filter or separator media material

into the effluent. Includes fiber migration, expressed as milligrams per liter.

Miscible Liquids which are mutually soluble. Opposite of immiscible.

Pressure Drop The difference in pressure between two points, generally at the $(Delta P: \Delta P)$ inlet and outlet of a filter or a filter/separator. Measured in pound

inlet and outlet of a filter or a filter/separator. Measured in pounds per square inch, inches of mercury, kilograms per square centimeter, kilopascals (kPa) or bars (1 bar = 14.5 psi). (Also commonly referred to as Delta P

or differential pressure.)

Specific Gravity The ratio of weight of a fluid to the weight of an equal volume of standard

substance; i.e. water for solids and liquids, and air or hydrogen for gases.

Static Generation Unbalanced or net electrical charge produced in a flowing hydrocarbon

liquid.

Surfactants Surface-active agents, which are also called detergents, emulsifiers, or

wetting agents. Polar compounds. (Most surfactants in Jet Fuel can be

removed by Clay Treatment.)

Three-Stage A filter/separator vessel containing coalescers, separators and 3rd stage

monitor elements (e.g. CDF cartridges)

Two-Stage A filter/separator containing two kinds or types of elements (coalescers and

separators).

Velocity The time rate of motion or speed in a given direction.

Viscosity A molecular property of fluids: the friction of molecular motion. A more

viscous fluid has a higher pressure drop at a given rate of flow, as compared

to a less viscous fluid.

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