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Abstract

Off-road construction equipment is a significant source of the pollutants carbon monoxide (CO), hydrocarbons (HC), particulate matter (PM) and oxides of nitrogen (NO_x) in California. A retrofit Continuously Regenerating Technology (CRT®) and other Diesel Particulate Filter (DPF) technologies provided by ECS and HUSS have been verified by ARB for significant reduction of CO, HC and PM from On-road and Off-road vehicles. The focus of this project was to evaluate the combination of a Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR) system with the CRT to reduce the NO_x from off-road equipment. Previous work has demonstrated that installing a CRT upstream of a SCR system can enhance the performance of the SCR catalysts along with the reduction of HC, CO and PM. The proposed retrofit SCR system uses NH₃ stored in aqueous urea to reduce the NO_x in the machine's exhaust. The urea is dosed into the exhaust by an air assisted urea dosing pump. The system is very similar to a retrofit system currently being considered by ARB for verification for use in on-road applications. This paper will outline the process of equipping two pieces of off-road equipment operated by the LA Sanitation Department with the retrofit SCRT® system. The SCRT® system is a combination of the CRT filter system and urea SCR (CRT + SCR = SCRT). The SCCRT® is a combination of the CCRT filter system and urea SCR. (SCR + CCRT = SCCRT). Data will be presented that demonstrates the performance of the system along with a description of the challenges unique to adapting this technology to off-road equipment.

Introduction

The objective of this project was to demonstrate the performance of the Johnson Matthey combined retrofit emission control technology known as SCRT on off-road equipment. The SCRT/SCCRT system combines the CRT Filter with a urea based SCR system to reduce PM, NO_x, HC and CO. The SCRT/SCCRT systems have demonstrated consistent NO_x reductions of 60-80% in on-road applications. In this project the product was