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## 512M VGP-EAL MARINE ECOSHIELD™ BIODEGRADABLE HYDRAULIC FLUID ISO 32, 46 & ISO 68

VGP-EAL Marine ECOSHIELD™ Biodegradable Hydraulic Fluid is a fully formulated anti-wear, readily biodegradable, environmentally friendly, ecologically responsive, non-toxic fluid that is designed for use in those high pressure industrial, marine, construction and mobile hydraulic systems, turbines and circulating oil systems that are operated in environmentally sensitive areas. VGP-EAL Marine ECOSHIELD™ Biodegradable Hydraulic Fluid meets the USDA definition EO 13101 for Biobased products and the U.S. EPA's 2013 Vessel General Permit (VGP) specifications and requirements for Environmentally Acceptable Lubricants (EAL) for marine applications where the lubricant may come into contact or interface with fresh or sea water.

VGP-EAL Marine ECOSHIELD™ Biodegradable Hydraulic Fluid is blended from a unique combination of high oleic vegetable base oils, biodegradable synthetic polyol ester base fluids and a highly specialized ashless non-zinc anti-wear, thermally stable multifunctional additive package. This unique combination provides VGP-EAL Marine ECOSHIELD™ Biodegradable Hydraulic Fluid with the following performance advantages:

- Excellent oxidative and thermal stability.
- Very good low temperature properties.
- High natural viscosity index.
- Very good natural lubricity.
- Low volatility characteristics.
- Very low foaming tendencies.
- Excellent anti-wear protection.
- Excellent rust and corrosion protection
- Extended pump and bearing life
- Excellent demulsibility.
- Excellent filterability.
- Enhanced hydrolytic stability.
- Low free Phenol per EPA 420.1.

VGP-EAL Marine ECOSHIELD™ Biodegradable Hydraulic Fluid meets and exceeds the following specifications and manufacturer's requirements: Denison HF-O, Eaton-Vickers I-286-S, M-2950-S, Eaton Char-Lynn, Eaton, FMC, Rexnord, Commercial Shearing HD 2/900, Commercial Hydraulics, Cincinnati Milicron P-54, P-68, P-69 and P-70; DIN 51524 Part 3, Bosch Rexroth, Saur Sundstrand, Saur Danfoss, US Steel 126, 127 and 136 and AF Nor E 48-603.

### INSTALLATION

To achieve optimum performance from biodegradable hydraulic fluids, a system should be as free of contamination as possible before charging with the final fill of these fluids. Contamination of biodegradable hydraulic fluids can have an adverse effect on their performance as hydraulic fluids.

To prevent biodegradable problems caused by admixtures of other fluids and contaminants, Schaeffer Mfg. recommends a flushing procedure for systems being converted to biodegradable hydraulic fluids. The degree of flushing depends on the type and condition of the system and the fluid previously used.

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### **New Systems:**

Many new systems may have an internal coating of rust preventatives or may have been run on preservative fluids before shipping. Protective coatings on individual components, such as pumps and valves, should be removed and the components cleaned.

To prepare new systems for the biodegradable hydraulic fluids, Schaeffer Mfg. recommends a six-step procedure:

**Step 1** – If the system contains oil, drain as much as possible from cylinders, filters, pumps, valves, etc. Wipe the reservoir and other accessible interior spaces with lint-free rags. Look carefully for pipe scale, weld spatter, threading compound, gasket cement, shavings, and other debris left behind after installation.

**Step 2** – Replace filters, if necessary.

**Step 3** – Charge the system with sufficient VGP-EAL Marine ECOSHIELD™ Biodegradable Hydraulic Fluid to assure full circulation to all components.

**Step 4** – Operate the system at normal temperatures and loads for a minimum of four hours. Monitor the differential pressure drop across the filter. A filter change may be necessary during this flush because contaminants in the system are incompatible with the VGP-EAL Marine ECOSHIELD™ Biodegradable Hydraulic Fluid. If this is the case, change the filters and continue to operate the system at normal temperatures, but at reduced loads, until the four hours of flushing are completed.

**Step 5** – Drain the system while hot and repeat Step 1. Replace filters.

**Step 6** – Add the final charge of VGP-EAL Marine ECOSHIELD™ Biodegradable Hydraulic Fluid and begin normal operation.

### **Conversion from Industrial Hydraulic and Circulating Oils:**

Most dry industrial hydraulic and circulating oils are compatible with VGP-EAL Marine ECOSHIELD™ Biodegradable Hydraulic Fluids. However, the moisture level in systems previously charge with industrial hydraulic and circulating oils must be as low a level as possible.

To flush these systems, follow Steps 3 and 4, operate system under normal conditions for at least four hours prior to draining. Drain the system while hot. Add the final charge of VGP-EAL Marine ECOSHIELD™ Biodegradable Hydraulic Fluid and begin normal operation.

### **Conversion from Synthetic Oils:**

Systems using synthetic oils require special consideration. Contact Schaeffer Mfg. Company for guidance.

### **SPILLAGE AND DISPOSAL**

Depending on the contamination and/or degradation levels, small amounts of spilled or leaked VGP-EAL Marine ECOSHIELD™ Biodegradable Hydraulic Fluid will not adversely affect ground water or the environment. For small spills on the ground uncontaminated product will be readily biodegraded by naturally occurring soil organisms when exposed to air. Nonetheless, spillage of VGP-EAL Marine ECOSHIELD™ Biodegradable Hydraulic Fluid should be handled similarly to currently accepted methods for conventional mineral oil spills.

VGP-EAL Marine ECOSHIELD™ Biodegradable Hydraulic Fluid does not contain hazardous substances reportable under CERCLA. Since all oil spills are reportable, even a spill of this vegetable oil-based product must be reported to the National Response Center (the US Coast Guard). Local environmental agencies should also be consulted to clarify local requirements.

Acceptable methods of disposal include use as a fuel supplement, recycling and reclamation (that is, the same disposal practices available for conventional mineral oils). Since VGP-EAL Marine ECOSHIELD™ Biodegradable Hydraulic Fluid typically will not be a hazardous waste, additional disposal options may be

available, including land farming or processing through sewage treatment facilities. If necessary, approvals are obtained from appropriate regulatory authorities.

The flushing solution is not be biodegradable therefore; it should be disposed of in an environmentally safe manner. Follow procedures used for disposing of conventional mineral oils.

## TYPICAL PROPERTIES

<b>ISO Grade</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>68</b>
Specific Gravity @ 60°F/15°C	0.9259	0.9250	0.9048
Viscosity @ 40°C, cSt (ASTM D445)	30.00 -35.50	41.50 - 50.50	61.00 – 74.70
Viscosity @ 100°C, cSt (ASTM D445)	6.9 – 8.1	8.70 – 10.90	12.50 – 15.90
Viscosity Index (ASTM D2270)	205	206	218
Flash Point °F/°C (ASTM D92)	421°/216°	466°/241°	397°/203°
Pour Point °F/°C(ASTM D97)	-28°/-33.33°	-28°/-33.33°	-20°/-28.89°
Foam Test (ASTM D892)			
Tendency Stability, ml			
Sequence I	0/0	0/0	0/0
Sequence II	0/0	0/0	0/0
Sequence III	0/0	0/0	0/0
Total Acid Number (ASTM D664)	0.54	0.54	0.54
Demulsibility (ASTM D1401)			
@ 130°F/54.4°C; Oil-Water-Emulsion (min)	40/40/0 (15 min)	40/40/0 (15 min)	40/40/0 (15 min)
Rust Test (ASTM D665)			
Procedure A (Distilled Water)	Pass	Pass	Pass
Procedure B (Salt Water)	Pass	Pass	Pass
Aniline Point °F/°C (ASTM D611)	197°/91.67°	197°/91.67°	197°/91.67°
Hydrolytic Stability (ASTM D2619)			
Copper Wt. Loss (mg/cm <sup>2</sup> )	0.01	0.01	0.01
Acidity of Water, mg/KOH	0.21	0.21	0.21
Copper Strip Corrosion Test (ASTM D130)	1a	1a	1a
Oxidative Stability (ASTM D2272) RPVOT, minutes to fail	210	210	210
Oxidation Solubility Test (ASTM D943)			
Hours to TAN of 2	4000	4000	4000
Four Ball Wear (ASTM D4172)			
1hr/40kg/167°, Scar Diameter, mm	0.36	0.36	0.36
FZG (DIN) (5182)			
Load Stage	12	12	12
Vickers 35VQ Pump Wear Test Standard Duration (3000 psi/200°F/2400rpm)			
Total Ring & Vane Wt. Loss, mg. First 50 Hour Test	8	8	8
Total Ring & Vane Wt. Loss, mg. Second 50 Hour (100 hours Total)	11	11	11
Total Ring & Vane Wt. Loss, mg. Third 50 Hour (150 hours Total)	10	10	10
Vickers 35VQ Pump Wear Test Extended Duration			
Total Ring & Vane Wt. Loss, mg. 350hrs on oil; 250 hours on cartridge	33	33	33
Total Ring & Vane Wt. Loss, mg. 550hrs on oil; 450 hours on cartridge	174	174	174
Vickers V-104C Pump Test (2000 psi, 1200 rpm, 175°F; 100 hours)			
Total Ring & Vane Wt. Loss, mg	3.9	3.9	3.9

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Vickers 20VQ5 Pump Test			
Total Ring & Vane Wt. Loss, mg	0.0	0.0	0.0
Denison T-5D Vane Pump Test (2,000 psi, 200°F, 100 hours)			
Total Ring & Vane Wt. Loss, mg	25	25	25
Thermal Stability Test (Cincinnati Milicron Method) (ASTM D2070)			
Sludge mg/100 ml	0.5	0.5	0.5
Condition of Copper Rod	3	3	3
Condition of Iron Rod	2	2	2
Sludging Tendencies (ASTM D4310)			
Total Sludge, mg	78.1	78.1	78.1
Copper Wt. Loss, mg	20.00	20.00	20.00
Iron Wt. Loss, mg	1.10	1.10	1.10
Air Release Properties			
Time @ 50°C/122°F	0.5	0.5	0.5
Biodegradability			
% Biodegradability CEC-L-33-T-93	95%	95%	95%
% Biodegradability Modified StÜrm OECD 301B (ASTM D5864)	61%	61%	61%
Environmental Persistence Classification US Military	PW-1	PW-1	Pw-1
Ecotoxicity			
Fathead Minnow, 96 hours LC50, ppm	>10,000	>10,000	>10,000
Daphina Magna 48 hours, EC50, ppm	>10,000 WAF	>10,000 WAF	>10,000 WAF
Sludge Respiration Inhibition, EC50, ppm	>10,000	>10,000	>10,000