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NEWS RELEASE

MUG APPROVAL FOR MOV LONG LIFE IN LIMITORQUE MOV'S

The recent cancellation of Exxon Nebula EP grease, which had been used in many valve operators, especially those in power stations, offers the opportunity to upgrade. This is possible because a new grease, MOV Long Life, has excellent resistance to age hardening, oil separation and water washout. It also provides above average corrosion protection, good extreme pressure and anti-wear properties as well as being radiation tested to over 220 Mrads. In addition, it is compatibly with the calcium complex thickener in Nebula EP.

MOV Long Life was also evaluated by the MOV Users Group and compared against both Nebula and Mobilgrease 28. This is given in MOV Users Group Position Paper, "Equivalent Replacement Evaluation for MOV Gearbox Lubricant", CFI 02G-J01, May 6, 2002. MUG members can download the 17-page report at; <http://www.movusersgroup.com/MUGDocuments/02G-J01.pdf>. Others can register on their home page.

In the position paper it was concluded that MOV Long Life was the best choice to replace Nebula and that it's use will actually produce significant improvements in reliability and in-service longevity. Further that it meets all the Limatorque requirements and that under EQ conditions that the performance of MOV Long Life degrades far less than Nebula. They fully recommended the use of MOV Long Life as the preferred lubricant for the Limatorque main gearcase as well as the limit switch gearbox and that it is expected to perform as well as or better than Nebula on the stem thread application.

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