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JOHNSON MATTHEY



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- UK FTSE 100 company
- £10 billion turnover for year end March 2011



- 8,500 employees, operating in more than 30 countries
- Leading global market positions in all its major businesses

JOHNSON MATTHEY GROUP STRUCTURE



Johnson Matthey Plc



Environmental Technologies Division

- Emission Control Technologies (ECT)
- Process Technologies
- Fuel Cells



Precious Metal Products Division

- Platinum
- Noble Metals
- Catalysts
- Chemicals & Refining
- Colour Technologies



Fine Chemicals Division

- Macfarlan Smith
- Pharmaceutical Materials & Services
- Research Chemicals

Johnson Matthey Emission Control Technologies (ECT)



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- Pioneer & world leading manufacturer of catalysts for vehicle exhaust emission control.
 - World's first autocatalyst manufacturing plant 1974
 - Johnson Matthey has supplied one-in-three of all autocatalysts ever sold
- 15 Manufacturing Sites and 9 Technology centres around the world
 - Worldwide, Johnson Matthey has now manufactured over 500 million catalysts and filters





Emission Control Technologies (ECT) AUTOCATALYST APPLICATIONS



- Passenger cars
 - Gasoline and diesel
- 2/3-wheelers
- HDD On-Road
 - Trucks, Buses etc
- HDD Non-road
 - Mining, construction, agriculture
- Small Utility Engines
 - Handheld
 - Skidoo, Jetski etc









Also ships, trains, any internal combustion engine...

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Vehicle Engines Produce Pollutants...





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With Health & Environmental Effects - Untreated Vehicle Gaseous Emissions

- In sunlight the combination of HC and NOx reacts to form 'photochemical smog', a brown/yellow haze.
 - Causes respiratory problems
 - Irritates eyes
 - Acid rain
 - Carbon monoxide binds to haemoglobin and prevents the blood moving oxygen around the body.
 - High levels of ground level ozone are generated. – Respiratory problems – Damages plants/crops

Particulate also a Major Health Concern



Emphasis on PM10 turns attention to diesel exhaust



Epidemiological studies highlight risks from PM10. Medical experts believe that diesel particulate matter bypasses the lungs defence mechanisms, aggravating lung and heart conditions. Hydrocarbons are a cancer risk.



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European Air Quality still needs to be improved



- Urban
 - Particulate
 - "Soot"
 - $-NO_2$
 - Oxides of nitrogen
 - "NOx"
 - Ozone
 - Sunlight + hydrocarbon + NOx
 - Hence legislation, driving tougher emissions limits

Exceedance of the 180 μ g/m3 ozone information threshold Interpolated around urban and rural stations

Reference period: summer 2003 (April -August)



Local Air Quality Remains a Problem





Air quality modelling shows that PM_{10} and NO_2 air quality standards will be exceeded in London and other city centres

Studies highlight the significance of HGV and Buses for city centre PM₁₀



Westminster Study, city centre PM10

Development of Passenger Car Legislation - Europe as an example





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Catalysts do not perform miracles: the reactions they perform have to be "allowed" chemically.



- Catalyst is designed to speed up desired reactions and not undesired ones: selectivity
- The gas molecules land on the surface and find "sites" where they are activated and reactions occur
- Once a reaction has happened they return to the gas phase, leaving the catalyst ready to do the process again



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GASOLINE ENGINE: THREE-WAY CATALYST - Needs The Correct Gas Mix To Work Effectively - Lean Burn Engines Require Additional After-treatment



DIESEL ENGINE exhaust is very different to gasoline HC/CO OXIDATION TECHNOLOGY - DOC

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- Diesel is very lean (oxygen rich) so oxidation reactions occur easily
 - But NOx <u>reduction</u> is much harder
- Key Oxidation reactions over a DOC:

 $\begin{array}{l} \mathsf{CO} + \frac{1}{2} \ \mathsf{O}_2 \rightarrow \mathsf{CO}_2 \\ \mathsf{HC} + \mathsf{O}_2 \rightarrow \mathsf{CO}_2 + \mathsf{H}_2 \mathsf{O} \end{array}$

 $\rm NO + \frac{1}{2} O_2 \rightarrow \rm NO_2$

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DIESEL ENGINE exhaust is more sooty than gasoline SOOT - DIESEL CATALYSED SOOT FILTERS

DIESEL NOx REDUCTION – Challenging in lean environment NOx Trap Technology is one option, with NOx storage when lean, with periodic reduction using rich regeneration conditions

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DIESEL NOx REDUCTION – Challenging in lean environment SCR Technology is another option, with NOx reduction using NH_3 as reducing agent under continuously lean conditions

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Urea dosing system

(Source AECC)

Urea injector, mixing device and SCR catalyst

(Source AECC)

Different reductant sources can be used; common option is dosing of urea from onboard tank, to form NH₃ gas in exhaust system

 $(NH_2)_2CO \rightarrow HNCO + NH_3$ HNCO + $H_2O \rightarrow CO_2 + NH_3$ $2NH_3 + NO + NO_2 \rightarrow 2N_2 + 3H_2O$

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ECT European Technology, Royston STRUCTURE

- Product Development
 - Teams of chemists and engineers developing & testing catalysts for gasoline and diesel for hundreds of applications
- Process Development
 - Teams of chemists and engineers overseeing catalyst lifecycle from development to production
- Analytical and QC
 - Post mortem, material screening, production quality
- Catalyst Test Laboratories
 - Teams of engineers providing & running facilities for evaluation of catalysts - engines, vehicles, synthetic gas /soot rig testing

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Catalyst Test Laboratories

Vehicle Testing

Engine Testing

Synthetic Testing

Exhaust Composition and Emissions Drive Cycles

.... the regulated emissions are a small fraction of the total

The US EPA 75 Drive Cycle

The European MVEG Drive Cycle

A GASOLINE EMISSIONS CONTROL SYSTEM - Closed-loop Control

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Accelerated Catalyst Ageing

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Catalyst Evaluation

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Vehicle Emissions Testing

Motorcycle Testing

On-Vehicle Durability Testing

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- Driven by legislation and environmental demands
- Established techniques to measure regulated emissions
- New developments:
 - o PM counting and size
 - \circ NOx speciation N₂O

 \circ SOx speciation - SO₂ H₂S COS

• Unregulated hydrocarbons – aldehydes, PAHs etc.

The Technology Department - people

- Chemists
- Material Scientists
- Computer Modellers
- Chemical, Mechanical and Automotive Engineers
- Technicians/apprentices

- Develop Products
- Technical Marketing and Liaison
- Supply Prototype Samples
- Scale-up to Production

- Close customer contact is the key to JM success
- Keeping pace with customer requirements, legislation demands, raw material cost and availability, production capability and competitor pressure
- 'Can do' attitude, capable of working flexibly at all levels
 - Chemists/Engineers/Technicians working closely together
- Tenacity, pragmatic approach, good interpersonal skills
- Safety conscious and striving for improved sustainability both within the company and through improved products

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Johnson Matthey ECT SUMMARY

- Teams of chemists and engineers developing and evaluating catalysts from concept to production
- Business is won or lost as a consequence of product development
- Direct customer contact in all areas
- Exciting, competitive environment at the forefront of technology
- The outcome of research and is clear to see (smog banished, urban health improved)

