

APL receives commendation for pollution reduction.

CTA member American President Lines recently received a special award from Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley to recognize their air quality improvement efforts. The company recently began using a new fuel additive—Omstar D-1280X—in their trucks and on-shore diesel engines. They may begin using the additive in their ship engines as well.

Los Angeles will begin testing the product in Department of Water & Power vehicles and power plants.



W.D. Seaton, Chairman of American President Lines (right) receives a Certificate of Commendation from Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley.

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TESTS CONDUCTED. In 1988, American President Lines (APL) tested OMSTAR D-1280X in Capacity trailer jockeys, obtaining smoke opacity reductions from 64% to 93% in 24 days. Fuel economy savings were 16%. APL refrigeration diesels' smoke changed from "heavy black smoke" to "slight smoke that was blue-white" in 96 hours of continuous operation. In State of California Air Resources Board tests of OMSTAR D-1280X in late 1987, particulates were reduced up to 26%, hydrocarbons up to 32%, NOx up to 8%, and carbon monoxide up to 12%. Hudson General Corporation in using the additive in UCLA buses has found 20% better fuel economy, maintenance cost improvement, and an average smoke opacity reduction of 31%.



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