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Clean Diesel Technologies Receives Commercial Order for Platinum Plus(R) to Reduce Diesel Particulate in Underground Mines

Fuel Borne Catalyst and Particulate Filter Reduce Emissions 85 Percent

STAMFORD, CT (March 18, 2003) ... Clean Diesel Technologies, Inc. (CDT) (EBB:CDTI & AIM:CDT/CDTS) announced today that it has received an order for its Platinum Plus(R) fuel borne catalyst (FBC) and automatic dosing equipment for use with diesel particulate filters (DPF) on thirty diesel-powered units in underground mines. The order was received from a major mining engine distributor for use in an underground coal mine in Alabama. The Mining Safety Health Administration (MSHA) recently tested and confirmed the ability of the Platinum Plus FBC and a specially catalyzed DPF to reduce particulates by 85 percent with no increase in emissions of nitrogen dioxide. The MSHA has mandated a reduction in particulates for coal, metal and nonmetal underground mines, with commitments for compliance required by July 2003.

Traditional platinum-catalyzed DPFs convert a substantial portion of nitrogen oxides into NO₂ which is a strong lung irritant especially in closed quarters like underground mines. The PERMITTM FBC filter system developed in conjunction with Santa Fe-based CleanAIR Systems, is the only platinum-based system to have passed the MSHA requirements for high particulate reductions with no NO₂ increase.

The FBC is introduced into the engine with the fuel, reducing particulate before it even reaches the filter. The FBC works by mixing intimately with the particulate that deposits in the filter where it is oxidized to CO₂ and water vapor. This unique approach allows much lower levels of platinum to be used, reducing cost and NO₂ formation. In addition, the filter regenerates or self-cleans at temperatures of 300-325°C under normal operating conditions. Some other systems require the filter to be manually removed and cleaned on a regular basis.

Extensive testing in the US and Europe has shown no toxic or secondary byproducts or emissions from use of the fuel borne catalyst. The Platinum Plus FBC is registered with the US EPA for use in on-highway diesel fuel. A recent independent evaluation of fuel injectors by Southwest Research Institute reported no negative impact on injector flow or spray from use of the FBC after a 1,000-hour high-load durability test. More than 1,000 engines worldwide have successfully used the product in over 15 million miles of commercial service.

About Clean Diesel Technologies, Inc.

Clean Diesel Technologies, Inc. is a specialty chemical company with patented products that reduce emissions from diesel engines while simultaneously improving fuel economy and power. Products include Platinum Plus(R) fuel catalysts, the Platinum Plus Purifier System, and the ARIS(R) 2000 urea injection systems for selective catalytic reduction of NO_x. Platinum Plus and ARIS are registered trademarks of Clean Diesel Technologies, Inc. For more information, visit CDT at www.cdti.com or contact the Company directly.

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