

Fuel Management System for Variable Ethanol Octane Enhancement of Gasoline Engines

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BACKGROUND

[0002] This invention relates to spark ignition gasoline engines utilizing an antiknock agent which is a liquid fuel with a higher octane number than gasoline such as ethanol to improve engine efficiency.

[0003] It is known that the efficiency of spark ignition (SI) gasoline engines can be increased by high compression ratio operation and particularly by engine downsizing. The engine downsizing is made possible by the use of substantial pressure boosting from either turbocharging or supercharging. Such pressure boosting makes it possible to obtain the same performance in a significantly smaller engine. *See*, J. Stokes, *et al.*, "A Gasoline Engine Concept For Improved Fuel Economy – The Lean-Boost System," SAE Paper 2001-01-2902. The use of these techniques to increase engine efficiency, however, is limited by the onset of engine knock. Knock is the undesired detonation of fuel and can severely damage an engine. If knock can be prevented, then high compression ratio operation and high pressure boosting can be used to increase engine efficiency by up to twenty-five percent.

[0004] Octane number represents the resistance of a fuel to knocking but the use of higher octane gasoline only modestly alleviates the tendency to knock. For example, the difference between regular and premium gasoline is typically six octane numbers. That is significantly less than is needed to realize fully the efficiency benefits of high compression ratio or turbocharged operation. There is thus a need for a practical means for achieving a much higher level of octane enhancement so that engines can be operated much more efficiently.

[0005] It is known to replace a portion of gasoline with small amounts of ethanol added at the refinery. Ethanol has a blending octane number (ON) of 110 (versus 95 for premium gasoline) (see J.B. Heywood, "Internal Combustion Engine Fundamentals," McGraw Hill, 1988, p. 477) and is also attractive because it is a renewable energy, biomass-derived fuel, but the small amounts of ethanol that have heretofore been added to gasoline have had a relatively small impact on engine performance. Ethanol is much more expensive than gasoline and the amount of ethanol that is readily available is much smaller than that of gasoline because of the relatively limited amount of biomass that is available for its production. An object of the present invention is to minimize the amount of ethanol or other antiknock agent that is used to achieve a given level of engine efficiency increase. By restricting the use of ethanol to the relatively small fraction of time in an operating cycle when it is needed to prevent knock in a higher load regime and by minimizing its use at these times, the amount of ethanol that is required can be limited to a relatively small fraction of the fuel used by the spark ignition gasoline engine.

SUMMARY

[0006] In one aspect, the invention is a fuel management system for efficient operation of a spark ignition gasoline engine including a source of an antiknock agent such as ethanol. An injector directly injects the ethanol into a cylinder of the engine and a fuel management system controls injection of the antiknock agent into the cylinder to control knock with minimum use of the antiknock agent. A preferred antiknock agent is ethanol. Ethanol has a high heat of vaporization so that there is substantial cooling of the air-fuel charge to the cylinder when it is injected directly into the engine. This cooling effect reduces the octane requirement of the engine by a considerable amount in addition to the improvement in knock resistance from the relatively high octane number of ethanol. Methanol, tertiary butyl alcohol, MTBE, ETBE, and TAME may also be used. Wherever ethanol is used herein it is to be understood that other antiknock agents are contemplated.

[0007] The fuel management system uses a fuel management control system that may use a microprocessor that operates in an open loop fashion on a predetermined correlation between octane number enhancement and fraction of fuel provided by the antiknock agent. To conserve the ethanol, it is preferred that it be added only during portions of a drive cycle requiring knock resistance and that its use be minimized during these times. Alternatively, the gasoline engine

may include a knock sensor that provides a feedback signal to a fuel management microprocessor system to minimize the amount of the ethanol added to prevent knock in a closed loop fashion.

[0008] In one embodiment the injectors stratify the ethanol to provide non-uniform deposition within a cylinder. For example, the ethanol may be injected proximate to the cylinder walls and swirl can create a ring of ethanol near the walls.

[0009] In another embodiment of this aspect of the invention, the system includes a measure of the amount of the antiknock agent such as ethanol in the source containing the antiknock agent to control turbocharging, supercharging or spark retard when the amount of ethanol is low.

[0010] The direct injection of ethanol provides substantially a 13°C drop in temperature for every ten percent of fuel energy provided by ethanol. An instantaneous octane enhancement of at least 4 octane numbers may be obtained for every 20 percent of the engine's energy coming from the ethanol.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0011] **FIG. 1** is a block diagram of one embodiment of the invention disclosed herein.

[0012] **FIG. 2** is a graph of the drop in temperature within a cylinder as a function of the fraction of energy provided by ethanol.

[0013] **FIG. 3** is a schematic illustration of the stratification of cooler ethanol charge using direct injection and swirl motion for achieving thermal stratification.

[0014] **FIG. 4** is a schematic illustration showing ethanol stratified in an inlet manifold.

[0015] **FIG. 5** is a block diagram of an embodiment of the invention in which the fuel management microprocessor is used to control a turbocharger and spark retard based upon the amount of ethanol in a fuel tank.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

[0016] With reference first to **FIG. 1**, a spark ignition gasoline engine **10** includes a knock sensor **12** and a fuel management microprocessor system **14**. The fuel management microprocessor system **14** controls the direct injection of an antiknock agent such as ethanol from an ethanol tank **16**. The fuel management microprocessor system **14** also controls the delivery of gasoline from a gasoline tank **18** into engine manifold **20**. A turbocharger **22** is

provided to improve the torque and power density of the engine **10**. The amount of ethanol injection is dictated either by a predetermined correlation between octane number enhancement and fraction of fuel that is provided by ethanol in an open loop system or by a closed loop control system that uses a signal from the knock sensor **12** as an input to the fuel management microprocessor **14**. In both situations, the fuel management processor **14** will minimize the amount of ethanol added to a cylinder while still preventing knock. It is also contemplated that the fuel management microprocessor system **14** could provide a combination of open and closed loop control.

[0017] As show in **FIG. 1** it is preferred that ethanol be directly injected into the engine **10**. Direct injection substantially increases the benefits of ethanol addition and decreases the required amount of ethanol. Recent advances in fuel injector and electronic control technology allows fuel injection directly into a spark ignition engine rather than into the manifold **20**. Because ethanol has a high heat of vaporization there will be substantial cooling when it is directly injected into the engine **10**. This cooling effect further increases knock resistance by a considerable amount. In the embodiment of **FIG. 1** port fuel injection of the gasoline in which the gasoline is injected into the manifold rather than directly injected into the cylinder is preferred because it is advantageous in obtaining good air/fuel mixing and combustion stability that are difficult to obtain with direct injection.

[0018] Ethanol has a heat of vaporization of 840kJ/kg, while the heat of vaporization of gasoline is about 350kJ/kg. The attractiveness of ethanol increases when compared with gasoline on an energy basis, since the lower heating value of ethanol is 26.9MJ/kg while for gasoline it is about 44MJ/kg. Thus, the heat of vaporization per Joule of combustion energy is 0.031 for ethanol and 0.008 for gasoline. That is, for equal amounts of energy the required heat of vaporization of ethanol is about four times higher than that of gasoline. The ratio of the heat of vaporization per unit air required for stoichiometric combustion is about 94 kJ/kg of air for ethanol and 24 kJ/kg of air for gasoline, or a factor of four smaller. Thus, the net effect of cooling the air charge is about four times lower for gasoline than for ethanol (for stoichiometric mixtures wherein the amount of air contains oxygen that is just sufficient to combust all of the fuel).

[0019] In the case of ethanol direct injection according to one aspect of the invention, the charge is directly cooled. The amount of cooling due to direct injection of ethanol is shown in **FIG. 2**. It is assumed that the air/fuel mixture is stoichiometric without exhaust gas recirculation (EGR), and that gasoline makes up the rest of the fuel. It is further assumed that only the ethanol contributes to charge cooling. Gasoline is vaporized in the inlet manifold and does not contribute to cylinder charge cooling. The direct ethanol injection provides about 13°C of cooling for each 10% of the fuel energy provided by ethanol. It is also possible to use direct injection of gasoline as well as direct injection of ethanol. However, under certain conditions there can be combustion stability issues.

[0020] The temperature decrement because of the vaporization energy of the ethanol decreases with lean operation and with EGR, as the thermal capacity of the cylinder charge increases. If the engine operates at twice the stoichiometric air/fuel ratio, the numbers indicated in **FIG. 2** decrease by about a factor of 2 (the contribution of the ethanol itself and the gasoline is relatively modest). Similarly, for a 20% EGR rate, the cooling effect of the ethanol decreases by about 25%.

[0021] The octane enhancement effect can be estimated from the data in **FIG. 2**. Direct injection of gasoline results in approximately a five octane number decrease in the octane number required by the engine, as discussed by Stokes, *et al.* Thus the contribution is about five octane numbers per 30K drop in charge temperature. As ethanol can decrease the charge temperature by about 120K, then the decrease in octane number required by the engine due to the drop in temperature, for 100% ethanol, is twenty octane numbers. Thus, when 100% of the fuel is provided by ethanol, the octane number enhancement is approximately thirty-five octane numbers with a twenty octane number enhancement coming from direct injection cooling and a fifteen octane number enhancement coming from the octane number of ethanol. From the above considerations, it can be projected that even if the octane enhancement from direct cooling is significantly lower, a total octane number enhancement of at least 4 octane numbers should be achievable for every 20% of the total fuel energy that is provided by ethanol.

[0022] Alternatively the ethanol and gasoline can be mixed together and then port injected through a single injector per cylinder, thereby decreasing the number of injectors that would be used. However, the air charge cooling benefit from ethanol would be lost.

[0023] Alternatively the ethanol and gasoline can be mixed together and then port fuel injected using a single injector per cylinder, thereby decreasing the number of injectors that would be used. However, the substantial air charge cooling benefit from ethanol would be lost. The volume of fuel between the mixing point and the port fuel injector should be minimized in order to meet the demanding dynamic octane-enhancement requirements of the engine.

[0024] Relatively precise determinations of the actual amount of octane enhancement from given amounts of direct ethanol injection can be obtained from laboratory and vehicle tests in addition to detailed calculations. These correlations can be used by the fuel management microprocessor system 14.

[0025] An additional benefit of using ethanol for octane enhancement is the ability to use it in a mixture with water. Such a mixture can eliminate the need for the costly and energy consuming water removal step in producing pure ethanol that must be employed when ethanol is added to gasoline at a refinery. Moreover, the water provides an additional cooling (due to vaporization) that further increases engine knock resistance. In contrast the present use of ethanol as an additive to gasoline at the refinery requires that the water be removed from the ethanol.

[0026] Since unlike gasoline, ethanol is not a good lubricant and the ethanol fuel injector can stick and not open, it is desirable to add a lubricant to the ethanol. The lubricant will also denature the ethanol and make it unattractive for human consumption.

[0027] Further decreases in the required ethanol for a given amount of octane enhancement can be achieved with stratification (non-uniform deposition) of the ethanol addition. Direct injection can be used to place the ethanol near the walls of the cylinder where the need for knock reduction is greatest. The direct injection may be used in combination with swirl. This stratification of the ethanol in the engine further reduces the amount of ethanol needed to obtain a given amount of octane enhancement. Because only the ethanol is directly injected and because it is stratified both by the injection process and by thermal centrifugation, the ignition stability issues associated with gasoline direct injection (GDI) can be avoided.

[0028] It is preferred that ethanol be added to those regions that make up the end-gas and are prone to auto-ignition. These regions are near the walls of the cylinder. Since the end-gas

contains on the order of 25% of the fuel, substantial decrements in the required amounts of ethanol can be achieved by stratifying the ethanol.

[0029] In the case of the engine **10** having substantial organized motion (such as swirl), the cooling will result in forces that thermally stratify the discharge (centrifugal separation of the regions at different density due to different temperatures). The effect of ethanol addition is to increase gas density since the temperature is decreased. With swirl the ethanol mixture will automatically move to the zone where the end-gas is, and thus increase the anti-knock effectiveness of the injected ethanol. The swirl motion is not affected much by the compression stroke and thus survives better than tumble-like motion that drives turbulence towards top-dead-center (TDC) and then dissipates. It should be pointed out that relatively modest swirls result in large separating (centrifugal) forces. A 3m/s swirl motion in a 5cm radius cylinder generates accelerations of about 200m/s^2 , or about 20g's.

[0030] **FIG. 3** illustrates ethanol direct injection and swirl motion for achieving thermal stratification. Ethanol is predominantly on an outside region which is the end-gas region.

FIG. 4 illustrates a possible stratification of the ethanol in an inlet manifold with swirl motion and thermal centrifugation maintaining stratification in the cylinder. In this case of port injection of ethanol, however, the advantage of substantial charge cooling may be lost.

[0031] With reference again to **FIG. 2**, the effect of ethanol addition all the way up to 100% ethanol injection is shown. At the point that the engine is 100% direct ethanol injected, there may be issues of engine stability when operating with only stratified ethanol injection that need to be addressed. In the case of stratified operation it may also be advantageous to stratify the injection of gasoline in order to provide a relatively uniform equivalence ratio across the cylinder (and therefore lower concentrations of gasoline in the regions where the ethanol is injected). This situation can be achieved, as indicated in **FIG. 4**, by placing fuel in the region of the inlet manifold that is void of ethanol.

[0032] The ethanol used in the invention can either be contained in a separate tank from the gasoline or may be separated from a gasoline/ethanol mixture stored in one tank.

[0033] The instantaneous ethanol injection requirement and total ethanol consumption over a drive cycle can be estimated from information about the drive cycle and the increase in torque (and thus increase in compression ratio, engine power density, and capability for downsizing)

that is desired. A plot of the amount of operating time spent at various values of torque and engine speed in FTP and US06 drive cycles can be used. It is necessary to enhance the octane number at each point in the drive cycle where the torque is greater than permitted for knock free operation with gasoline alone. The amount of octane enhancement that is required is determined by the torque level.

[0034] A rough illustrative calculation shows that only a small amount of ethanol might be needed over the drive cycle. Assume that it is desired to increase the maximum torque level by a factor of two relative to what is possible without direct injection ethanol octane enhancement. Information about the operating time for the combined FTP and US06 cycles shows that approximately only 10 percent of the time is spent at torque levels above 0.5 maximum torque and less than 1 percent of the time is spent above 0.9 maximum torque. Conservatively assuming that 100 % ethanol addition is needed at maximum torque and that the energy fraction of ethanol addition that is required to prevent knock decreases linearly to zero at 50 percent of maximum torque, the energy fraction provided by ethanol is about 30 percent. During a drive cycle about 20 percent of the total fuel energy is consumed at greater than 50 percent of maximum torque since during the 10 percent of the time that the engine is operated in this regime, the amount of fuel consumed is about twice that which is consumed below 50 percent of maximum torque. The amount of ethanol energy consumed during the drive cycle is thus roughly around 6 percent (30 percent x 0.2) of the total fuel energy.

[0035] In this case then, although 100% ethanol addition was needed at the highest value of torque, only 6% addition was needed averaged over the drive cycle. The ethanol is much more effectively used by varying the level of addition according to the needs of the drive cycle.

[0036] Because of the lower heat of combustion of ethanol, the required amount of ethanol would be about 9% of the weight of the gasoline fuel or about 9% of the volume (since the densities of ethanol and gasoline are comparable). A separate tank with a capacity of about 1.8 gallons would then be required in automobiles with twenty gallon gasoline tanks. The stored ethanol content would be about 9% of that of gasoline by weight, a number not too different from present-day reformulated gasoline. Stratification of the ethanol addition could reduce this amount by more than a factor of two. An on-line ethanol distillation system might alternatively

be employed but would entail elimination or reduction of the increase torque and power available from turbocharging.

[0037] Because of the relatively small amount of ethanol and present lack of an ethanol fueling infrastructure, it is important that the ethanol vehicle be operable if there is no ethanol on the vehicle. The engine system can be designed such that although the torque and power benefits would be lower when ethanol is not available, the vehicle could still be operable by reducing or eliminating turbocharging capability and/or by increasing spark retard so as to avoid knock. As shown in **FIG. 5**, the fuel management microprocessor system **14** uses ethanol fuel level in the ethanol tank **16** as an input to control the turbocharger **22** (or supercharger or spark retard, not shown). As an example, with on-demand ethanol octane enhancement, a 4-cylinder engine can produce in the range of 280 horsepower with appropriate turbocharging or supercharging but could also be drivable with an engine power of 140 horsepower without the use of ethanol according to the invention.

[0038] The impact of a small amount of ethanol upon fuel efficiency through use in a higher efficiency engine can greatly increase the energy value of the ethanol. For example, gasoline consumption could be reduced by 20% due to higher efficiency engine operation from use of a high compression ratio, strongly turbocharged operation and substantial engine downsizing. The energy value of the ethanol, including its value in direct replacement of gasoline (5% of the energy of the gasoline), is thus roughly equal to 25% of the gasoline that would have been used in a less efficient engine without any ethanol. The 5% gasoline equivalent energy value of ethanol has thus been leveraged up to a 25% gasoline equivalent value. Thus, ethanol can cost roughly up to five times that of gasoline on an energy basis and still be economically attractive. The use of ethanol as disclosed herein can be a much greater value use than in other ethanol applications.

[0039] Although the above discussion has featured ethanol as an exemplary anti-knock agent, the same approach can be applied to other high octane fuel and fuel additives with high vaporization energies such as methanol (with higher vaporization energy per unit fuel), and other anti-knock agents such as tertiary butyl alcohol, or ethers such as methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE), ethyl tertiary butyl ether (ETBE), or tertiary amyl methyl ether (TAME).

[0040] It is recognized that modifications and variations of the invention disclosed herein will be apparent to those of ordinary skill in the art and it is intended that all such modifications and variations be included within the scope of the appended claims.

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A spark ignition engine system for which fuel is introduced into the engine from a first source and a liquid is separately introduced into the engine from a second source by direct injection comprising:
 - a spark ignition engine;
 - a first means for introducing the fuel from the first source into the engine;
 - a second means for direct injection of the liquid from the second source into the engine, wherein during part of the engine operating time, the engine receives both the fuel from the first source and the liquid that is directly injected from the second source; and
 - a fuel management system which varies the relative amount of the liquid from the second source that is introduced into the engine so as to prevent knock, wherein the fuel management system employs information from a knock detector and uses closed loop control to control the amount of directly injected liquid from the second source; and
 - wherein the engine is operated with a substantially stoichiometric fuel/air ratio.
2. The engine system of claim 1, wherein the engine is turbocharged or supercharged.
3. The engine system of claim 1 or 2, wherein the liquid from the second source is alcohol.
4. The engine system of claim 3, wherein the alcohol is methanol.
5. The engine system of claim 3, wherein the alcohol is ethanol.
6. The engine system of claim 1 or 2, wherein the liquid from the second source is an alcohol–water mixture.
7. The engine system of claim 1 or 2, wherein the liquid from the second source includes water.
8. The engine system of claim 1 or 2, wherein the fuel from the first source is gasoline and the liquid from the second source includes water.

9. The engine system of claim 1 or 2, wherein the liquid from the second source is injected so as to result in a non-uniform distribution in the engine cylinder.
10. The engine system of claim 9, wherein the liquid from the second source is injected so as to be more concentrated near the periphery of the engine cylinder, and
wherein the liquid from the second source includes alcohol, and
wherein the alcohol energy fraction is sufficiently high to prevent knock but the alcohol energy fraction is reduced as compared to the situation using a uniform distribution.
11. The engine system of claim 1 or 2, wherein the fuel management system employs a microprocessor for control of the relative amount of liquid from the second source that is directly injected into the engine using information from a knock sensor, and
wherein the relative amount of the liquid from the second source increases with increasing torque, and
wherein the fuel management system minimizes the amount of directly injected liquid from the second source that is used over a drive cycle.
12. The engine system of claim 11 further including open loop control with a look up table.
13. The engine system of claims 1 or 2, wherein spark retard is used and is varied according to the consumption of the liquid from the second tank.
14. A spark ignition engine system into which fuel is introduced into the engine from a first source using a first fuel injector and a liquid from a second source is introduced into the engine using a second fuel injector comprising:
a spark ignition engine;
a first fuel injector for introducing fuel into the engine from the first source;
a second fuel injector for introducing the liquid from the second source into the engine
wherein during part of the engine operating time, the engine receives both the fuel from the first source and the liquid from the second source; and
a fuel management system which varies the relative amount of the liquid from the second source that is introduced into the engine so as to prevent knock, wherein the fuel management

system uses closed loop control to control the amount of liquid from the second source and employs information from a knock detector, and

wherein the engine is operated with a substantially stoichiometric fuel/air ratio.

15. The engine system of claim 14, wherein the fuel from the first source is port fuel injected.
16. The engine system of claim 14 or 15, wherein the liquid from the second source is alcohol.
17. The engine system of claim 16, wherein the alcohol is methanol.
18. The engine system of claim 16, wherein the alcohol is ethanol.
19. The engine system of claims 14 or 15, wherein the liquid from the second source is an alcohol-water mixture.
20. The engine system of claims 14 or 15, wherein the liquid from the second source includes water.
21. The engine system of claims 14 or 15, wherein the fuel from the first source is gasoline and the liquid from the second source includes water.
22. The engine system of claims 14 or 15, wherein the fuel management system employs a microprocessor for control of the relative amount of liquid from the second source that is directly injected into the engine using information from a knock sensor, and wherein
the relative amount of liquid from the second source increases with increasing torque, and
wherein the fuel management system minimizes the amount of directly injected liquid from the second source that is used over a drive cycle.
23. The engine system of claim 22 further including open loop control with a look up table.
24. The engine system of claims 14 or 15, wherein spark retard is used and is varied according to the consumption of the liquid from the second tank.
25. The engine system of claims 14 or 15, wherein the engine is turbocharged.

- 26.** The engine system of claims **14** or **15**, wherein the engine is supercharged.
- 27.** A turbocharged or supercharged spark ignition engine system which uses both port fuel injection of gasoline from a first source and direct fuel injection of alcohol from a second source comprising:
- a spark ignition engine;
 - a turbocharger or supercharger;
 - means for port fuel injection of gasoline from the first source;
 - means for direct fuel injection of alcohol from the second source, wherein during part of the engine operating time, the engine is fueled both by gasoline that is port fuel injected and alcohol that is directly injected; and
 - a fuel management system which increases the relative amount of alcohol in the engine with increasing torque so as to prevent knock, wherein the fuel management system employs information from a knock detector and uses closed loop control to control the amount of directly injected alcohol, and
 - wherein the engine is operated with a substantially stoichiometric fuel/air ratio.
- 28.** The engine system of claim **27**, wherein the alcohol is methanol.
- 29.** The engine system of claim **27**, wherein the alcohol is ethanol.
- 30.** The engine system of claim **27**, wherein the alcohol is mixed with water.
- 31.** The engine system of claim **27**, wherein the fuel management system employs a microprocessor for control of the relative amount of alcohol from the second source that is directly injected into the engine using information from a knock sensor.
- 32.** The engine system of claim **31**, wherein the fuel management system minimizes the amount of directly injected alcohol from the second source that is used over a drive cycle.

ABSTRACT

Fuel management system for efficient operation of a spark ignition gasoline engine. Injectors inject an anti-knock agent such as ethanol directly into a cylinder of the engine. A fuel management microprocessor system controls injection of the anti-knock agent so as to control knock and minimize that amount of the anti-knock agent that is used in a drive cycle. It is preferred that the anti-knock agent is ethanol. The use of ethanol can be further minimized by injection in a non-uniform manner within a cylinder. The ethanol injection suppresses knock so that higher compression ratio and/or engine downsizing from increased turbocharging or supercharging can be used to increase the efficiency of the engine.

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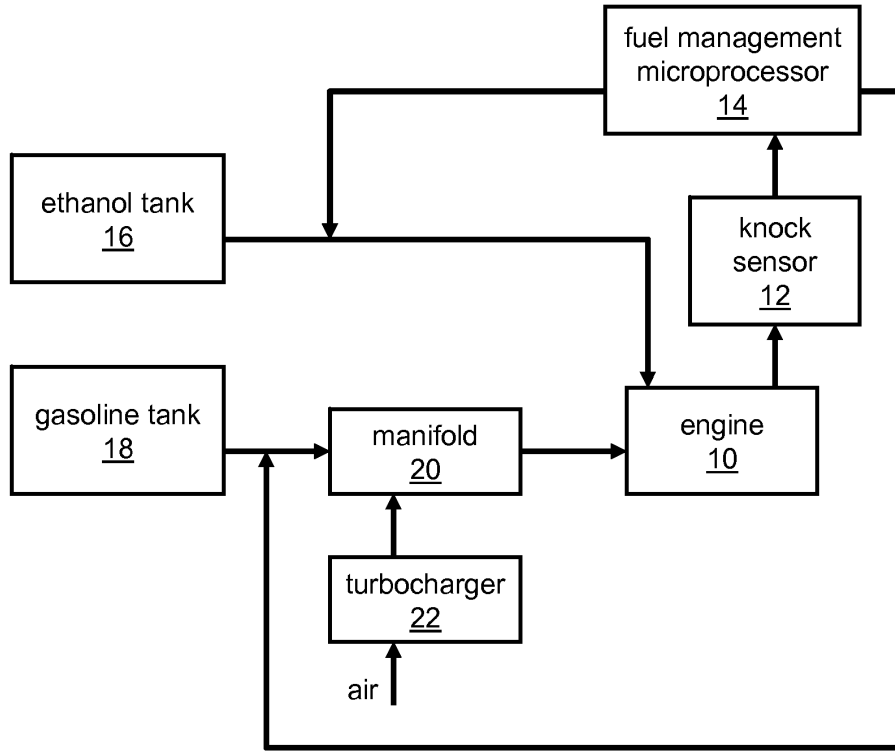


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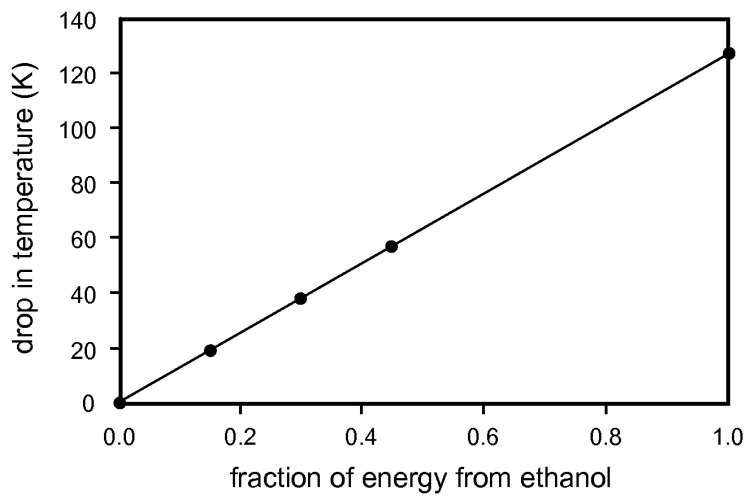


FIG. 2

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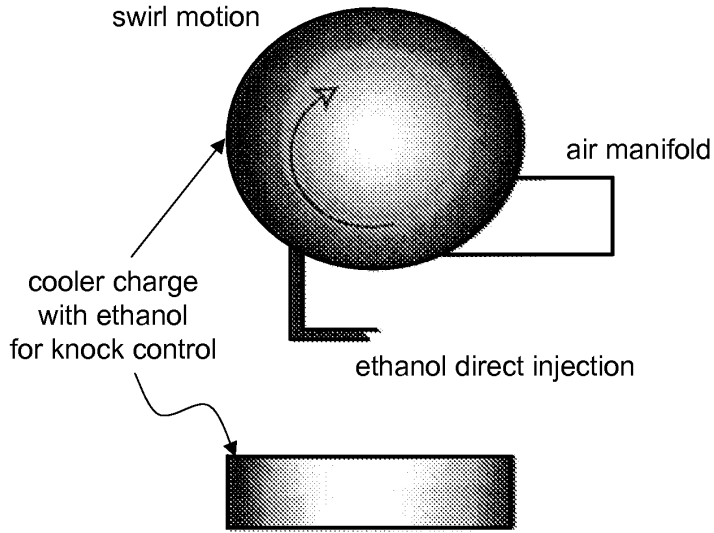


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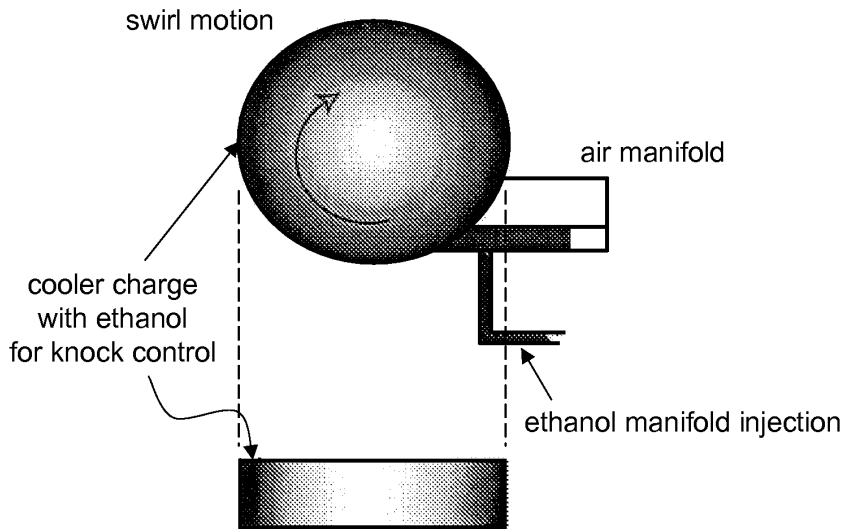


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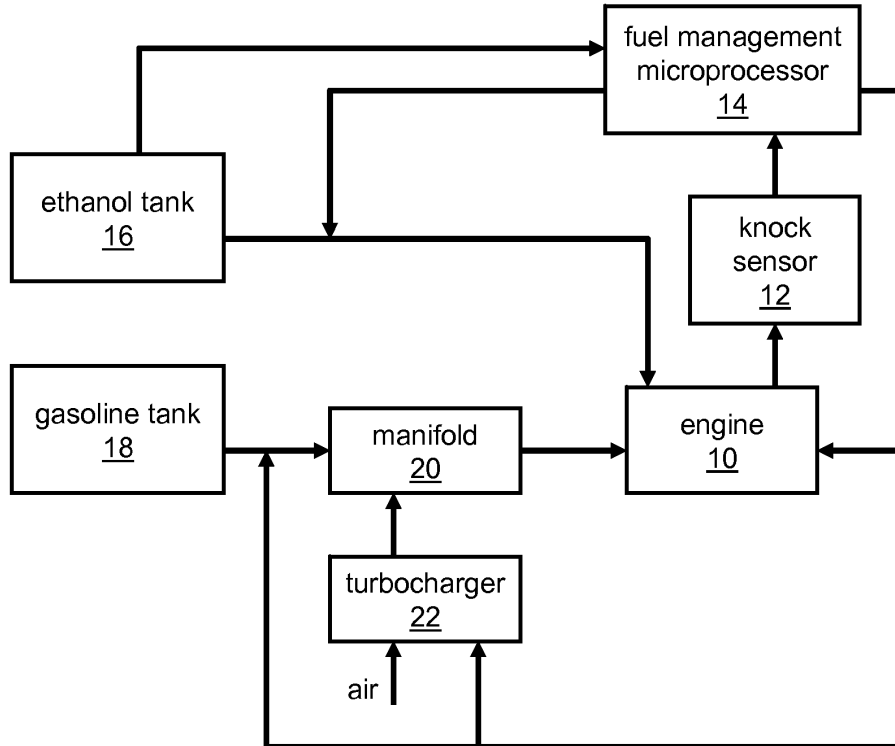


FIG. 5

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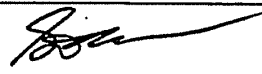
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6. With regard to the drawings,

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 - as selected by this Authority, because this figure better characterizes the invention.
- b. none of the figures is to be published with the abstract.

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| <p>A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER IPC: F02M 17/00(2006.01)</p> <p>USPC: 123/447 According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| <p>B. FIELDS SEARCHED</p> <p>Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols) U.S. : 123/447</p> <p>Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched</p> <p>Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used) EAST</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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Applicant
ETHANOL BOOSTING SYSTEMS. LLC

1. This opinion contains indications relating to the following items:

- Box No. I Basis of the opinion
- Box No. II Priority
- Box No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
- Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention
- Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- Box No. VI Certain documents cited
- Box No. VII Certain defects in the international application
- Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application


2. FURTHER ACTION

If a demand for international preliminary examination is made, this opinion will be considered to be a written opinion of the International Preliminary Examining Authority ("IPEA") except that this does not apply where the applicant chooses an Authority other than this one to be the IPEA and the chosen IPEA has notified the International Bureau under Rule 66.1bis(b) that written opinions of this International Searching Authority will not be so considered.

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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43 bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

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| Novelty (N) | Claims <u>1-15</u> | YES |
| | Claims <u>NONE</u> | NO |
| Inventive step (IS) | Claims <u>1-15</u> | YES |
| | Claims <u>NONE</u> | NO |
| Industrial applicability (IA) | Claims <u>1-15</u> | YES |
| | Claims <u>NONE</u> | NO |

2. Citations and explanations:

Claims 1-15 meet the criteria set out in PCT Article 33(2)-(3), because the prior art does not teach or fairly suggest claimed invention.

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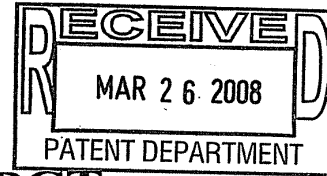
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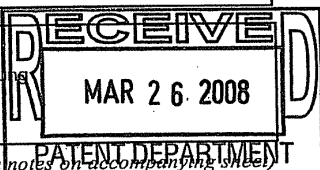
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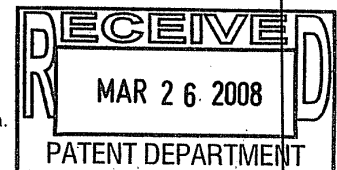
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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International application No.
PCT/US 07/05777

| <p>A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER IPC(8) - F02B 77/04 (2007.10) USPC - 123/198A According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| <p>B. FIELDS SEARCHED Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols) USPC: 123/198A</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched USPC: 123/198R, 406.29, 406.47 (text search - see terms below)</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used) PubWEST(USPT,PGPB,EPAB,JPAB); Google Patents; Google Scholar Search Terms: gasoline engine, ethanol, direct injection, engine knock, emissions, restart, control system, shut down, deceleration, port injection, motor</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Category* | Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages | Relevant to claim No. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Y | Calculations of Knock Suppression in Highly Turbocharged Gasolin/Ethanol Engines Using Direct Ethanol Injection (L. Bromberg et al.) 23 February 2006 (23.02.2006), entire document especially Abstract, Section I, para [0003], Section II, para [0001], [0003], [0006] | 1-18 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Y | US 4,312,310 A (Chivilo' et al.) 26 January 1982 (26.01.1982), col 2, ln 20-26 and ln 36-54 | 1-18 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Y | US 6,358,180 B1 (Kuroda et al.) 19 March 2002 (19.03.2002), Fig 4, col 3, ln 65-67 to col 4, ln 1-15, col 8, ln 3-27col 12, ln 54-56 | 2, 9-10, 13-18 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Y | US 4,974,416 A (Taylor) 04 December 1990 (04.12.1990), col 4, ln 15-21 | 5 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Y | US 6,260,525 B1 (Moyer) 17 July 2001 (17.07.2001), col 3, ln 5-8 | 6, 8, 13-18 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Y | US 4,967,714 A (Inoue) 06 November 1990 (06.11.1990), col 3, ln 27-30 and ln 66-67 | 11 | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Applicant's or agent's file reference 2006734-0003PC | | FOR FURTHER ACTION See paragraph 2 below | |
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1. This opinion contains indications relating to the following items:

- Box No. I Basis of the opinion
- Box No. II Priority
- Box No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
- Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention
- Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- Box No. VI Certain documents cited
- Box No. VII Certain defects in the international application
- Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application

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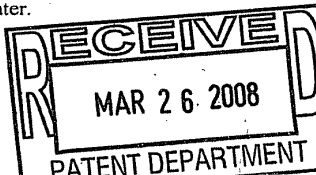
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Box No. I Basis of this opinion

1. With regard to the **language**, this opinion has been established on the basis of:
 - the international application in the language in which it was filed.
 - a translation of the international application into _____ which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (Rules 12.3(a) and 23.1(b)).
2. This opinion has been established taking into account the **rectification of an obvious mistake** authorized by or notified to this Authority under Rule 91 (Rule 43bis.1(a))
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 - table(s) related to the sequence listing
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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

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| Novelty (N) | Claims | 1-18 | YES |
| | Claims | None | NO |
| Inventive step (IS) | Claims | None | YES |
| | Claims | 1-18 | NO |
| Industrial applicability (IA) | Claims | 1-18 | YES |
| | Claims | None | NO |

2. Citations and explanations:

Claims 1, 3-4, 7 and 12 lack an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3) as being obvious over the article entitled "Calculations of Knock Suppression in Highly Turbocharged Gasoline/Ethanol Engines Using Direct Ethanol Injection" by L. Bromberg et al. (hereinafter 'Bromberg') in view of US 4,312,310 A to Chivilo et al. (hereinafter 'Chivilo').

As per claim 1, Bromberg discloses a fuel management system for operation of a spark ignition gasoline engine in a vehicle comprising: a gasoline engine powering the vehicle (see Abstract); a source of gasoline for introduction into the engine (see Section II, para [0003]); a separate source of ethanol (see Section II, para [0003]); an injector for direct injection of the ethanol into a cylinder of the engine (see Section II, para [0001]). Bromberg does not disclose a control system for shutting down the engine by stopping gasoline and ethanol flow into the engine during vehicle deceleration and idling and restarting the engine upon driver demand. Chivilo discloses a control system for shutting down the engine by stopping gasoline flow into the engine during vehicle deceleration and idling and restarting the engine upon driver demand (col 2, ln 20-26 and ln 36-54). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to modify the fuel management system as disclosed by Bromberg with the control system as taught by Chivilo since a major development in the system disclosed by Bromberg is fuel conservation and an obvious way to conserve fuel is to shut down the engine during idle or deceleration.

As per claim 3, Bromberg further discloses the system wherein the engine uses direct ethanol injection during a range of engine operating conditions to prevent engine knock (see Section I, para [0003]). Bromberg does not specifically disclose direct ethanol injection during engine restart to prevent engine knock. However, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to include ethanol injection during engine restart as one of the operating conditions since engine knock often occurs during restart and one of the objects of Bromberg is to prevent engine knock.

As per claim 4, Bromberg discloses the system wherein the engine uses direct ethanol injection to minimize hydrocarbon emissions (see Section II, para [0006]). Bromberg does not specifically disclose direct ethanol injection during engine restart to minimize hydrocarbon emissions. However, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to include ethanol injection during engine restart to minimize hydrocarbon emissions since hydrocarbon emissions can be high during restart and one of the objects of Bromberg is to minimize hydrocarbon emissions.

As per claim 7, Bromberg further discloses the system wherein the engine is turbocharged or supercharged (see Section II, para [0001]).

As per claim 12, Bromberg further discloses the system wherein gasoline is not used and ethanol, E85, methanol, other alcohols or a blend thereof are used as the only fuel (see Abstract). Bromberg states direct ethanol injection could be used to displace gasoline.

Claims 2, 9 and 10 lack an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3) as being obvious over Bromberg in view of Chivilo, further in view of US 6,358,180 B1 to Kuroda et al. (hereinafter 'Kuroda').

As per claim 2, Chivilo discloses a control system for shutting down the engine by stopping gasoline flow into the engine during vehicle deceleration and idling and restarting the engine upon driver demand (col 2, ln 20-26 and ln 36-54). Chivilo does not specifically disclose wherein the control system disables the shutting down of the engine during deceleration and idling when an auxiliary power or energy requirement exceeds a selected level. Kuroda discloses wherein the control system disables the shutting down of the engine during deceleration and idling when an auxiliary power or energy requirement exceeds a selected level (col 3, ln 65-67 to col 4, ln 1-15). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to modify the control system as disclosed by Chivilo with the system as taught by Kuroda, since both relate to the technology of shutting engines down to conserve fuel and since such would avoid having the engine shut down when the batteries are unable to perform important functions such as restarting.

As per claim 9, Kuroda further discloses the system further including a 12V motor to restart the engine after shutdown during deceleration and/or idle (Fig 4; col 12, ln 54-56).

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Box V. 2. Citations and explanations:

As per claim 10, Kuroda further discloses the system including a restart motor (Fig 4; col 12, ln 54-56), wherein the low voltage motor is a low voltage motor (Fig 4 - the motor used for restarting the engine is a low voltage motor operating on 12 V).

Claim 5 lacks an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3) as being obvious over Bromberg in view of Chivilo, further in view of US 4,974,416 A (Taylor).

As per claim 5, Bromberg discloses the system wherein the engine uses direct injection (see Section II, para [0001]). Bromberg does not specifically disclose the system wherein the engine uses direct injection during engine restart to supplement port fuel injection while a fuel film that feeds the engine is established so as to minimize energy, emissions and time required for engine restart. Taylor discloses a system wherein the engine includes port fuel injection while a fuel film that feeds the engine is established (col 4, ln 15-21). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to modify the system as disclosed by Bromberg with the port fuel injection and fuel film as taught by Taylor, since it is well known in the art to supplement port injection with direct injection and since fuel films are well known and the use of such would have minimized energy, emissions and time required for engine restart.

Claims 6 and 8 lack an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3) as being obvious over Bromberg in view of Chivilo, further in view of US 6,260,525 B1 (Moyer).

As per claim 6, Chivilo discloses a control system for shutting down the engine by stopping gasoline flow into the engine (col 2, ln 20-26 and ln 36-54). Chivilo does not specifically disclose the system further including a valve disabler for all engine valves. Moyer discloses the system further including a valve disabler for all engine valves (col 3, ln 5-8). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to modify the system as disclosed by Chivilo and Bromberg with the valve disabler as taught by Moyer, since all relate to the technology of shutting engines down to conserve fuel and since such would have enabled the engine to be a variable displacement engine so that when less than maximum power is required some cylinders can be shut down and power increased in the remaining cylinders which will then operate at greater efficiency.

As per claim 8, Bromberg further discloses the system wherein maximum manifold pressure is increased by at least a factor of two over a non-pressure-boosted engine (see Abstract).

Claims 11 lacks an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3) as being obvious over Bromberg in view of Chivilo, further in view of US 4,967,714 A (Inoue).

As per claim 11, Bromberg further discloses the system wherein the ethanol is injected through a fuel injector (see Section II, para [0001]). Bromberg does not specifically disclose wherein the gasoline and the ethanol are injected through the same fuel injector. Inoue discloses the system wherein the gasoline and the ethanol are injected through the same fuel injector (col 3, ln 27-30 and ln 66-67). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to modify the system as disclosed by Bromberg to enable the system to inject ethanol and gasoline through the same fuel injector as taught by Inoue, since both relate to the technology of ethanol burning systems and since such would have enabled the system to operate using only one fuel injector per cylinder which is a well known design to one of ordinary skill in the art.

Claims 13-18 lack an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3) as being obvious over Bromberg in view of Chivilo, further in view of Kuroda, further in view of Moyer.

As per claim 13, Bromberg discloses a turbocharged spark ignition engine which uses separately controlled direct injection of ethanol and port fuel injection of gasoline (see Abstract). Bromberg does not specifically disclose where the engine is shut down during periods of deceleration and idle. Kuroda discloses where the engine is shut down during periods of deceleration and idle (col 8, ln 3-27). Bromberg further discloses the engine comprising a first source of gasoline (see Section II, para [0003]); a second source of ethanol (see Section II, para [0003]); a gasoline engine (see Abstract). Bromberg does not specifically disclose a means to engine cylinder deactivation through valve disabling during engine deceleration and idling. Moyer discloses a means to engine cylinder deactivation through valve disabling (col 3, ln 5-8). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to modify the engine as disclosed by Bromberg with the shut down during deceleration and idle as taught by Kuroda and the disabling of the valves as taught by Moyer, since all relate to the technology of improving fuel economy and since the disabling of the valves is well known in the art as an effective way to shut down the engine and since shutting down the engine during deceleration and idle is an obvious means to conserving fuel.

As per claim 14, Bromberg further discloses the turbocharged spark ignition engine (see Section II, para [0001]) wherein the engine uses direct ethanol injection during a range of engine operating conditions to prevent engine knock (see Section I, para [0003]). Bromberg does not specifically disclose direct ethanol injection during engine restart to prevent engine knock. However, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to include ethanol injection during engine restart as one of the operating conditions since engine knock often occurs during restart and one of the objects of Bromberg is to prevent engine knock.

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As per claim 15, Bromberg discloses the turbocharged spark ignition engine (see Section II, para [0001]) wherein the engine uses direct ethanol injection to minimize hydrocarbon emissions (see Section II, para [0006]). Bromberg does not specifically disclose direct ethanol injection during engine restart to minimize hydrocarbon emissions. However, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to include ethanol injection during engine restart to minimize hydrocarbon emissions since hydrocarbon emissions can be high during restart and one of the objects of Bromberg is to minimize hydrocarbon emissions.

As per claim 16, Bromberg discloses the turbocharged spark ignition engine (see Section II, para [0001]). Bromberg does not specifically disclose the turbocharged spark ignition engine where a low voltage motor is used to restart the engine. Kuroda discloses the system wherein the low voltage motor is a low voltage motor (Fig 4; col 12, In 54-56). Furthermore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to modify the engine as disclosed by Bromberg and Chivilo with the low voltage motor for restart since most vehicles currently operate with a 12 V battery and using a low voltage motor for restart would not require an additional battery for operating the restart motor.

As per claim 17, Bromberg discloses a turbocharged spark ignition engine which uses separately controlled direct injection of ethanol and port fuel injection of gasoline (see Abstract). Bromberg does not specifically disclose where the engine is shut down during periods of deceleration and idle. Kuroda discloses where the engine is shut down during periods of deceleration and idle (col 8, In 3-27). Bromberg further discloses the engine comprising a first source of gasoline (see Section II, para [0003]); a second source of ethanol (see Section II, para [0003]); a gasoline engine (see Abstract). Bromberg does not specifically disclose a means to disable the engine cylinders and where direct ethanol injection is used during engine restart and further where a low voltage motor is used for engine restart. Moyer discloses a means to engine cylinder deactivation through valve disabling (col 3, In 5-8). Kuroda further discloses where a low voltage motor is used for engine restart (Fig 4; col 12, In 54-56). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to modify the engine as disclosed by Bromberg with the shut down during deceleration and idle and low voltage restart motor as taught by Kuroda and the disabling of the valves as taught by Moyer, since all relate to the technology of improving fuel economy and since the disabling of the valves is well known in the art as an effective way to shut down the engine and since shutting down the engine during deceleration and idle is an obvious means to conserving fuel.

As per claim 18, Bromberg discloses a turbocharged spark ignition engine which uses direct injection of ethanol (see Abstract). Bromberg does not specifically disclose where the engine is shut down during periods of deceleration and idle comprising a turbocharged spark ignition engine; and a means to shutdown the engine cylinders and where direct ethanol injection is used during engine restart and further where a low voltage motor is used for engine restart. Kuroda discloses where the engine is shut down during periods of deceleration and idle (col 8, In 3-27). Moyer discloses a means to engine cylinder deactivation through valve disabling (col 3, In 5-8). Kuroda further discloses where a low voltage motor is used for engine restart (Fig 4; col 12, In 54-56). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to modify the engine as disclosed by Bromberg with the shut down during deceleration and idle and low voltage restart motor as taught by Kuroda and the disabling of the valves as taught by Moyer, since all relate to the technology of improving fuel economy and since the disabling of the valves is well known in the art as an effective way to shut down the engine and since shutting down the engine during deceleration and idle is an obvious means to conserving fuel.

Claims 1-18 have industrial applicability as defined by PCT Article 33(4) because the subject matter can be made or used in industry.

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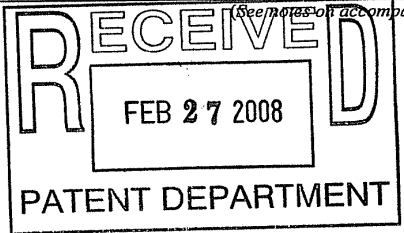
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| Applicant ETHANOL BOOSTING SYSTEMS, LLC | | |

This international search report has been prepared by this International Searching Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 18. A copy is being transmitted to the International Bureau.

This international search report consists of a total of 7 sheets.

It is also accompanied by a copy of each prior art document cited in this report.

1. Basis of the Report

a. With regard to the language, the international search was carried out on the basis of:

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b. With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application, see Box No. I.

2. Certain claims were found unsearchable (See Box No. II)

3. Unity of invention is lacking (See Box No. III)

4. With regard to the title,

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6. With regard to the drawings,

a. the figure of the drawings to be published with the abstract is Figure No. 1

as suggested by the applicant.

as selected by this Authority, because the applicant failed to suggest a figure.

as selected by this Authority, because this figure better characterizes the invention.

b. none of the figures is to be published with the abstract.

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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International application No.
PCT/US07/74227

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER
 IPC: **F02D 41/30(2006.01);F02B 1/08(2006.01)**

 USPC: 123/1A,431,447,575
 According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED
 Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)
 U.S. : 123/1A,300,304,431,447,478,575,577,198C,198A

 Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

 Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)
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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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| X --- P, Y | US 2007/0119416 A1 (Boyarski) 31 May 2007 (31.05.2007), figures 16, 17, 23, 28, 37, 44, paragraphs [0066], [0107]-[0117], [0284]-[0318], claims 3, 5, 11, 15. | 1-23, 26, 42-48, 56 ----- 24,25,27-41,49-55 |
| X --- Y | US 2002/01393321 A1 (Weissman et al.) 3 October 2002 (03.10.2002), figure 2, paragraphs [0022]-[0046]. | 24-25, 27-56 ----- 1-23, 26 |

Further documents are listed in the continuation of Box C. See patent family annex.

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Date of the actual completion of the international search
07 December 2007 (07.12.2007)

Date of mailing of the international search report
25 FEB 2008

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PATENT COOPERATION TREATY

From the
INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY

To:
SAM PASTERNAK
CHOATE, HALL & STEWART LLP
TWO INTERNATIONAL PLACE
BOSTON, MA 02110

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WRITTEN OPINION OF THE
INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY

(PCT Rule 43bis.1)

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| Applicant's or agent's file reference 2006734-0015 | | Date of mailing (day/month/year) 25 FEB 2008 |
| International application No. PCT/US07/74227 | | FOR FURTHER ACTION See paragraph 2 below |
| International filing date (day/month/year) 24 July 2007 (24.07.2007) | Priority date (day/month/year) 24 July 2006 (24.07.2006) | |
| International Patent Classification (IPC) or both national classification and IPC IPC: F02D 41/30(2006.01);F02B 1/08(2006.01) USPC: 123/1A,431,447,575 | | |
| Applicant ETHANOL BOOSTING SYSTEMS, LLC | | |

1. This opinion contains indications relating to the following items:

- Box No. I Basis of the opinion
- Box No. II Priority
- Box No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
- Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention
- Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- Box No. VI Certain documents cited
- Box No. VII Certain defects in the international application
- Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application

2. FURTHER ACTION

If a demand for international preliminary examination is made, this opinion will be considered to be a written opinion of the International Preliminary Examining Authority ("IPEA") except that this does not apply where the applicant chooses an Authority other than this one to be the IPEA and the chosen IPEA has notified the International Bureau under Rule 66.1bis(b) that written opinions of this International Searching Authority will not be so considered.

If this opinion is, as provided above, considered to be a written opinion of the IPEA, the applicant is invited to submit to the IPEA a written reply together, where appropriate, with amendments, before the expiration of 3 months from the date of mailing of Form PCT/ISA/220 or before the expiration of 22 months from the priority date, whichever expires later.

For further options, see Form PCT/ISA/220.

3. For further details, see notes to Form PCT/ISA/220.

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| Name and mailing address of the ISA/ US Mail Stop PCT, Attn: ISA/US Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 Facsimile No. (571) 273-3201 | Date of completion of this opinion 18 February 2008 (18.02.2008) | Authorized officer Stephen K Cronin <i>Stephen K Cronin</i> Telephone No. (571) 272-4383 <i>Scy</i> |
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International application No.

PCT/US07/74227

Box No. I Basis of this opinion

1. With regard to the **language**, this opinion has been established on the basis of:
 - the international application in the language in which it was filed
 - a translation of the international application into _____, which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (Rules 12.3(a) and 23.1(b)).
2. This opinion has been established taking into account the **rectification of an obvious mistake** authorized by or notified to this Authority under Rule 91 (Rule 43bis.1(a))
3. With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application, this opinion has been established on the basis of:
 - a. type of material
 - a sequence listing
 - table(s) related to the sequence listing
 - b. format of material
 - on paper
 - in electronic form
 - c. time of filing/furnishing
 - contained in the international application as filed.
 - filed together with the international application in electronic form.
 - furnished subsequently to this Authority for the purposes of search.
4. In addition, in the case that more than one version or copy of a sequence listing and/or table(s) relating thereto has been filed or furnished, the required statements that the information in the subsequent or additional copies is identical to that in the application as filed or does not go beyond the application as filed, as appropriate, were furnished.
5. Additional comments:

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From the INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY

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| To: SAM PASTERNAK Choate, Hall & Stewart LLP Two International Place Boston, Massachusetts 02110 | | NOTIFICATION OF TRANSMITTAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT AND THE WRITTEN OPINION OF THE INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY, OR THE DECLARATION | |
| Action: <u>Amend Claims</u> <u>Cite Art in US.</u> <u>Resp to writt. opin.</u> | | | |
| Due Date: _____ Final Due Date: <u>12/3/08 - 1/3/09 - 5/10/09</u> (PCT Rule 44.1) | | | |
| Docket Administrator: <u>NH</u> Date: <u>12/16/08</u> | | Date of mailing: <u>03 OCT 2008</u> | |
| Applicant's or agent's file reference: <u>2006734-0021</u> | | FOR FURTHER ACTION See paragraphs 1 and 4 below | |
| International application No.: <u>PCT/US2008/069171</u> | | International filing date (day-month-year): <u>03 July 2008</u> | |
| Applicant: <u>ETHANOL BOOSTING SYSTEMS LLC</u> | | | |

- The applicant is hereby notified that the international search report and the written opinion of the International Searching Authority have been established and are transmitted herewith.
Filing of amendments and statement under Article 19:
 The applicant is entitled, if he so wishes, to amend the claims of the international application (see Rule 46):
When? The time limit for filing such amendments is normally two months from the date of transmittal of the international search report.
Where? Directly to the International Bureau of WIPO, 34 chemin des Colombettes
 1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland, Facsimile No.: +41 22 740 14 35
For more detailed instructions, see the notes on the accompanying sheet.
- The applicant is hereby notified that no international search report will be established and that the declaration under Article 17(2)(a) to that effect and the written opinion of the International Searching Authority are transmitted herewith.
- With regard to the protest against payment of (an) additional fee(s) under Rule 40.2, the applicant is notified that:**
 the protest together with the decision thereon has been transmitted to the International Bureau together with the applicant's request to forward the texts of both the protest and the decision thereon to the designated Offices.
 no decision has been made yet on the protest; the applicant will be notified as soon as a decision is made.
- Reminders**
 Shortly after the expiration of **18 months** from the priority date, the international application will be published by the International Bureau. If the applicant wishes to avoid or postpone publication, a notice of withdrawal of the international application, or of the priority claim, must reach the International Bureau as provided in Rules 90bis.1 and 90bis.3, respectively, before the completion of the technical preparations for international publication.
 The applicant may submit comments on an informal basis on the written opinion of the International Searching Authority to the International Bureau. The International Bureau will send a copy of such comments to all designated Offices unless an international preliminary examination report has been or is to be established. These comments would also be made available to the public but not before the expiration of 30 months from the priority date.
 Within **19 months** from the priority date, but only in respect of some designated Offices, a demand for international preliminary examination must be filed if the applicant wishes to postpone the entry into the national phase **until 30 months** from the priority date (in some Offices even later); otherwise, the applicant must, **within 20 months** from the priority date, perform the prescribed acts for entry into the national phase before those designated Offices.
 In respect of other designated Offices, the time limit of **30 months** (or later) will apply even if no demand is filed within 19 months.
 See the Annex to Form PCT/IB/301 and, for details about the applicable time limits, Office by Office, see the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Volume II, National Chapters and the WIPO Internet site.

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(See notes on accompanying sheet)

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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

(PCT Article 18 and Rules 43 and 44)

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| Applicant's or agent's file reference 2006734-0021 | FOR FURTHER ACTION | see Form PCT/ISA/220 as well as, where applicable, item 5 below. |
| International application No. PCT/US2008/069171 | International filing date (<i>day/month/year</i>) 03 July 2008 | (Earliest) Priority Date (<i>day/month/year</i>) 10 July 2007 |
| Applicant ETHANOL BOOSTING SYSTEMS LLC | | |

This international search report has been prepared by this International Searching Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 18. A copy is being transmitted to the International Bureau.

This international search report consists of a total of 3 sheets.

It is also accompanied by a copy of each prior art document cited in this report.

1. Basis of the report

a. With regard to the language, the international search was carried out on the basis of:

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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International application No.

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Box No. II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

This international search report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

1. Claims Nos.:
because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:

2. Claims Nos.:
because they relate to parts of the international application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful international search can be carried out, specifically:

3. Claims Nos.: 15-17, 31-33
because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).

Box No. III Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 3 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:

1. As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers all searchable claims.
2. As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying additional fees, this Authority did not invite payment of additional fees.
3. As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.:

4. No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this international search report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.:

Remark on Protest

- The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest and, where applicable, the payment of a protest fee.
- The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest but the applicable protest fee was not paid within the time limit specified in the invitation.
- No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International application No.
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| <p>A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER IPC(8) - F02B 77/04 (2008.04) USPC - 123/198A According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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From the
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WRITTEN OPINION OF THE
INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY

(PCT Rule 43bis.1)

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1. This opinion contains indications relating to the following items:

- Box No. I Basis of the opinion
- Box No. II Priority
- Box No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
- Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention
- Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability: citations and explanations supporting such statement
- Box No. VI Certain documents cited
- Box No. VII Certain defects in the international application
- Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application

2. **FURTHER ACTION**

If a demand for international preliminary examination is made, this opinion will be considered to be a written opinion of the International Preliminary Examining Authority ("IPEA") except that this does not apply where the applicant chooses an Authority other than this one to be the IPEA and the chosen IPEA has notified the International Bureau under Rule 66.1bis(b) that written opinions of this International Searching Authority will not be so considered.

If this opinion is, as provided above, considered to be a written opinion of the IPEA, the applicant is invited to submit to the IPEA a written reply together, where appropriate, with amendments, before the expiration of 3 months from the date of mailing of Form PCT/ISA/220 or before the expiration of 22 months from the priority date, whichever expires later.

For further options, see Form PCT/ISA/220.

3. For further details, see notes to Form PCT/ISA/220.

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Box No. I Basis of this opinion

1. With regard to the language, this opinion has been established on the basis of:
 - the international application in the language in which it was filed.
 - a translation of the international application into _____ which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (Rules 12.3(a) and 23.1(b)).
2. This opinion has been established taking into account the rectification of an obvious mistake authorized by or notified to this Authority under Rule 91 (Rule 43bis.1(a))
3. With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application, this opinion has been established on the basis of:
 - a. type of material
 - a sequence listing
 - table(s) related to the sequence listing
 - b. format of material
 - on paper
 - in electronic form
 - c. time of filing/furnishing
 - contained in the international application as filed
 - filed together with the international application in electronic form
 - furnished subsequently to this Authority for the purposes of search
4. In addition, in the case that more than one version or copy of a sequence listing and/or table(s) relating thereto has been filed or furnished, the required statements that the information in the subsequent or additional copies is identical to that in the application as filed or does not go beyond the application as filed, as appropriate, were furnished.
5. Additional comments:

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Box No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability

The questions whether the claimed invention appears to be novel, to involve an inventive step (to be non obvious), or to be industrially applicable have not been examined in respect of

the entire international application

claims Nos. 15-17, 31-33

because:

the said international application, or the said claims Nos. _____ relate to the following subject matter which does not require an international search (*specify*):

the description, claims or drawings (*indicate particular elements below*) or said claims Nos. 15-17, 31-33 are so unclear that no meaningful opinion could be formed (*specify*):

Claims 15-17, 31-33 are multiple dependent claims not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).

the claims, or said claims Nos. _____ are so inadequately supported by the description that no meaningful opinion could be formed (*specify*):

no international search report has been established for said claims Nos. 15-17, 31-33

a meaningful opinion could not be formed without the sequence listing; the applicant did not, within the prescribed time limit:

furnish a sequence listing on paper complying with the standard provided for in Annex C of the Administrative Instructions, and such listing was not available to the International Searching Authority in a form and manner acceptable to it.

furnish a sequence listing in electronic form complying with the standard provided for in Annex C of the Administrative Instructions, and such listing was not available to the International Searching Authority in a form and manner acceptable to it.

pay the required late furnishing fee for the furnishing of a sequence listing in response to an invitation under Rule 13*ter*.1(a) or (b).

a meaningful opinion could not be formed without the tables related to the sequence listings; the applicant did not, within the prescribed time limit, furnish such tables in electronic form complying with the technical requirements provided for in Annex C-*bis* of the Administrative Instructions, and such tables were not available to the International Searching Authority in a form and manner acceptable to it.

the tables related to the nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listing, if in electronic form only, do not comply with the technical requirements provided for in Annex C-*bis* of the Administrative Instructions.

See Supplemental Box for further details.

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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

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| Novelty (N) | Claims | <u>1-14, 18-30, 34-35</u> | YES |
| | Claims | <u>None</u> | NO |
| Inventive step (IS) | Claims | <u>None</u> | YES |
| | Claims | <u>1-14, 18-30, 34-35</u> | NO |
| Industrial applicability (IA) | Claims | <u>1-14, 18-30, 34-35</u> | YES |
| | Claims | <u>None</u> | NO |

2. Citations and explanations:

Claims 1-5, 7-14, 18-22, 24-30, and 34 lack an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3) as being obvious over Bromberg et al. in view of Cohn et al.

Regarding claim 1, Bromberg et al. disclose a fuel management system for a spark ignition gasoline engine (Abstract) comprising: a gasoline engine (18); a source of gasoline (Fig. 4a); a source of a second liquid fuel (Fig. 4a); a means for introducing gasoline (Fig. 4b) into the cylinders of the engine (18); injectors for direct injection of the second liquid fuel (Col. 11, lines 23-50) into the cylinders of the engine (18); a fuel management control system (Col. 1, lines 45-50) for controlling injection of the second fuel into the cylinder so that it is provided in an amount needed to prevent knock (Fig. 3) as other conditions require; and a means for providing fast flame speed (Col. 10, lines 45-55). Bromberg et al. do not show controlling injection of the second fuel into the cylinder so that it is provided in an amount needed to prevent knock as torque increases; and a means for providing fast burn. It is deemed obvious that a fast flame speed produces a fast burn. Cohn et al. show a fuel management control system (14) for controlling injection of a second fuel into a cylinder so that it is provided in an amount needed to prevent knock as torque increases (paragraph 32). It would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to employ the structures and processes as taught by Cohn et al. in the device of Bromberg et al. in order to provide improved engine performance.

Regarding claim 2, Bromberg et al. and Cohn et al. disclose that as applied above. Bromberg et al. do not show where the 10% - 90% burn occurs in 15-20 crank angle degrees. It is obvious from Bromberg et al. (Figs. 2A-2B) that a significant portion of the energy fraction (burn) occurs in a small crank angle range including that claimed.

Regarding claim 3, Bromberg et al. and Cohn et al. disclose that as applied above. Bromberg et al. show where the fast burn (Col. 10, lines 45-55) in the engine is provided by charge motion (Col. 10, lines 15-20).

Regarding claim 4, Bromberg et al. and Cohn et al. disclose that as applied above. Bromberg et al. show where the fast burn (Col. 10, lines 45-55) in the engine is provided by increased temperature (Col. 4, lines 1-10) in the unburned zone of air/fuel mixture zone that burns early in the cycle after the firing of the spark (Col. 4, lines 30-45).

Regarding claim 5, Bromberg et al. and Cohn et al. disclose that as applied above. Bromberg et al. do not show where there are dual ignition sites on either side of the cylinder but show two ignition sources (Col. 1, lines 13-15, Col. 6, lines 23-30). It is obvious that the dual sites can be on opposite cylinder sides to promote complete combustion.

Regarding claim 7, Bromberg et al. and Cohn et al. disclose that as applied above. Bromberg et al. do not show where the spray of the second fuel is aimed toward the end gas on the exhaust valve side of the cylinder and the injector is located near the periphery. Cohn et al. show where spray of the second fuel is aimed toward an end gas on an exhaust valve side of the cylinder and an injector is located near the periphery (paragraph 7). It would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to employ the structures and processes as taught by Cohn et al. in the device of Bromberg et al. in order to provide improved engine performance.

Regarding claim 8, Bromberg et al. and Cohn et al. disclose that as applied above. Bromberg et al. show where the time of the direct injection of the second fuel is adjusted to minimize the ethanol consumption (Col. 6, lines 48-52, Col. 10, lines 25-35).

Regarding claim 9, Bromberg et al. and Cohn et al. disclose that as applied above. Bromberg et al. do not show where turbulence is created at or near the intake port. Cohn et al. show where turbulence is created at or near an intake port (paragraph 28). It would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to employ the structures and processes as taught by Cohn et al. in the device of Bromberg et al. in order to provide improved engine performance.

Regarding claim 10, Bromberg et al. and Cohn et al. disclose that as applied above. Bromberg et al. show where combustion is retarded by means of spark retard relative to what it would be if fast burn were not employed (Col. 8, lines 20-25).

Regarding claim 11, Bromberg et al. and Cohn et al. disclose that as applied above. Bromberg et al. do not show where combustion, as measured by the 50% burn crank angle, is retarded using appropriate spark retard by an amount between 5 and 10 degrees but show spark retard (Col. 8, lines 20-25). It is deemed obvious that spark retard is a small but significant amount including that claimed.

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Regarding claim 12, Bromberg et al. and Cohn et al. disclose that as applied above. Bromberg et al. show where the amount of second fuel that is used is reduced when the fast burn is provided (Col. 3, lines 25-30).

Regarding claim 13, Bromberg et al. and Cohn et al. disclose that as applied above. Bromberg et al. show where the amount of combustion retard is varied as a function of load (Col. 1, lines 20-25) and speed by means of appropriate spark retard (Col. 8, lines 20-25).

Regarding claim 14, Bromberg et al. and Cohn et al. disclose that as applied above. Bromberg et al. do not show where the degree of combustion retard is chosen so as to optimize the combination of efficiency gain and minimization of the required amount of the second fluid fuel. Cohn et al. show where a degree of combustion retard is chosen so as to optimize the combination of efficiency gain and minimization of the required amount of the second fluid fuel (Fig. 5, paragraphs 14 and 35). It would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to employ the structures and processes as taught by Cohn et al. in the device of Bromberg et al. in order to provide improved engine performance.

Regarding claim 18, Bromberg et al. disclose a fuel management system for a spark ignition gasoline engine (Abstract) comprising: a gasoline engine (18) of compression ratio between 13 and 14 (Col. 7, lines 55-60); a source of a second liquid fuel (Fig. 4a); a means for introducing gasoline (Fig. 4b) into the cylinders of the engine (18); injectors for direct injection of the second liquid fuel (Col. 11, lines 23-50) into the cylinder of the engine (18); a fuel management control system (Col. 1, lines 45-50) for controlling injection of the second fuel into the cylinder so that it is provided in an amount needed to prevent knock (Fig. 3) as torque increases or other conditions require; and a means for fast flame speed (Col. 10, lines 45-55). Bromberg et al. do not show controlling injection of the second fuel into the cylinder so that it is provided in an amount needed to prevent knock as torque increases; and a means for providing fast burn. It is deemed obvious that a fast flame speed produces a fast burn. Cohn et al. show a fuel management control system (14) for controlling injection of a second fuel into a cylinder so that it is provided in an amount needed to prevent knock as torque increases (paragraph 32). It would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to employ the structures and processes as taught by Cohn et al. in the device of Bromberg et al. in order to provide improved engine performance.

Regarding claim 19, Bromberg et al. and Cohn et al. disclose that as applied above. Bromberg et al. do not show where the 10% - 90% burn occurs in 15-20 crank angle degrees. It is obvious from Bromberg et al. (Figs. 2A-2B) that a significant portion of the energy fraction (burn) occurs in a small crank angle range including that claimed.

Regarding claim 20, Bromberg et al. and Cohn et al. disclose that as applied above. Bromberg et al. show where the fast burn (Col. 10, lines 45-55) in the engine is provided by charge motion (Col. 10, lines 15-20).

Regarding claim 21, Bromberg et al. and Cohn et al. disclose that as applied above. Bromberg et al. show where the fast burn (Col. 10, lines 45-55) in the engine is provided by increased temperature (Col. 4, lines 1-10) in the unburned zone of air/fuel mixture zone that burns early in the cycle after the firing of the spark (Col. 4, lines 30-45).

Regarding claim 22, Bromberg et al. and Cohn et al. disclose that as applied above. Bromberg et al. do not show where there are dual ignition sites on either side of the cylinder but show two ignition sources (Col. 1, lines 13-15, Col. 6, lines 23-30). It is obvious that the dual sites can be on opposite cylinder sides to promote complete combustion.

Regarding claim 24, Bromberg et al. and Cohn et al. disclose that as applied above. Bromberg et al. do not show where the spray of the second fuel is aimed toward the end gas on the exhaust valve side of the cylinder. Cohn et al. show where spray of the second fuel is aimed toward an end gas on the exhaust valve side of the cylinder (paragraph 7). It would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to employ the structures and processes as taught by Cohn et al. in the device of Bromberg et al. in order to provide improved engine performance.

Regarding claim 25, Bromberg et al. and Cohn et al. disclose that as applied above. Bromberg et al. do not show where turbulence is created at or near the intake port. Cohn et al. show where turbulence is created at or near an intake port (paragraph 28). It would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to employ the structures and processes as taught by Cohn et al. in the device of Bromberg et al. in order to provide improved engine performance.

Regarding claim 26, Bromberg et al. and Cohn et al. disclose that as applied above. Bromberg et al. show where combustion is retarded by means of spark retard relative to what it would be if fast burn were not employed (Col. 8, lines 20-25).

Regarding claim 27, Bromberg et al. and Cohn et al. disclose that as applied above. Bromberg et al. do not show where combustion, as measured by the 50% burn crank angle, is retarded using appropriate spark retard by an amount between 5 and 15 degrees but show spark retard (Col. 8, lines 20-25). It is deemed obvious that spark retard is a small but significant amount including that claimed.

Regarding claim 28, Bromberg et al. and Cohn et al. disclose that as applied above. Bromberg et al. show where the amount of second fuel that is used is reduced when the fast burn is provided (Col. 3, lines 25-30).

Regarding claim 29, Bromberg et al. and Cohn et al. disclose that as applied above. Bromberg et al. show where the amount of combustion retard is varied as a function of load (Col. 1, lines 20-25) and speed by means of appropriate spark retard (Col. 8, lines 20-25).

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Regarding claim 30, Bromberg et al. and Cohn et al. disclose that as applied above. Bromberg et al. do not show where the degree of combustion retard is chosen so as to optimize the combination of efficiency gain and minimization of the required amount of the second fluid fuel. Cohn et al. show where a degree of combustion retard is chosen so as to optimize the combination of efficiency gain and minimization of the required amount of the second fluid fuel (Fig. 5, paragraphs 14 and 35). It would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to employ the structures and processes as taught by Cohn et al. in the device of Bromberg et al. in order to provide improved engine performance.

Regarding claim 34, Bromberg et al. disclose a spark ignition gasoline engine (18) where alcohol and gasoline are both directly injected (Col. 1, lines 55-60) and where the alcohol/gasoline ratio needed to prevent knock uses fast burn. Bromberg et al. do not show where the alcohol/gasoline ratio needed to prevent knock is reduced by using fast flame speed. It is deemed obvious that a fast flame speed (Bromberg - Col. 10, lines 45-55) produces a fast burn. Cohn et al. show where an alcohol/gasoline ratio needed to prevent knock is reduced (paragraph 19). It would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to employ the structures and processes as taught by Cohn et al. in the device of Bromberg et al. in order to provide improved engine performance.

Claims 6, 23, 35 lack an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3) as being obvious over Bromberg et al. in view of Cohn et al. and zur Loye et al.

Regarding claim 6, Bromberg et al. and Cohn et al. disclose that as applied above. Bromberg et al. do not show where the direct injector is located in the center of the cylinder. zur Loye et al. show where a direct injector (62) is located in a center of a cylinder (Fig. 1). It would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to employ the structures and processes as taught by Cohn et al. and zur Loye et al. in the device of Bromberg et al. in order to provide improved engine performance.

Regarding claim 23, Bromberg et al. and Cohn et al. disclose that as applied above. Bromberg et al. do not show where the direct injector is located in the center of the cylinder. zur Loye et al. show where a direct injector (62) is located in a center of a cylinder (Fig. 1). It would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to employ the structures and processes as taught by Cohn et al. and zur Loye et al. in the device of Bromberg et al. in order to provide improved engine performance.

Regarding claim 35, Bromberg et al. and Cohn et al. disclose that as applied above. Bromberg et al. do not show where a high energy spark plug is used to provide fast burn. zur Loye et al. show where a high energy spark plug (52) is used to provide fast burn. It would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to employ the structures and processes as taught by Cohn et al. and zur Loye et al. in the device of Bromberg et al. in order to provide improved engine performance.

Claims 1-14, 18-30, and 34-35 meet the criteria set out in PCT Article 33(4), and thus have industrial applicability because the subject matter claimed can be made or used in industry.

NOTES TO FORM PCT/ISA/220 (continued)

The letter must indicate the differences between the claims as filed and the claims as amended. It must, in particular, indicate, in connection with each claim appearing in the international application (it being understood that identical indications concerning several claims may be grouped), whether

- (i) the claim is unchanged;
- (ii) the claim is cancelled;
- (iii) the claim is new;
- (iv) the claim replaces one or more claims as filed;
- (v) the claim is the result of the division of a claim as filed.

The following examples illustrate the manner in which amendments must be explained in the accompanying letter:

1. [Where originally there were 48 claims and after amendment of some claims there are 51]:
"Claims 1 to 29, 31, 32, 34, 35, 37 to 48 replaced by amended claims bearing the same numbers; claims 30, 33 and 36 unchanged; new claims 49 to 51 added."
2. [Where originally there were 15 claims and after amendment of all claims there are 11]:
"Claims 1 to 15 replaced by amended claims 1 to 11."
3. [Where originally there were 14 claims and the amendments consist in cancelling some claims and in adding new claims]:
"Claims 1 to 6 and 14 unchanged; claims 7 to 13 cancelled; new claims 15, 16 and 17 added." or
"Claims 7 to 13 cancelled; new claims 15, 16 and 17 added; all other claims unchanged."
4. [Where various kinds of amendments are made]:
"Claims 1-10 unchanged; claims 11 to 13, 18 and 19 cancelled; claims 14, 15 and 16 replaced by amended claim 14; claim 17 subdivided into amended claims 15, 16 and 17; new claims 20 and 21 added."

"Statement under Article 19(1)" (Rule 46.4)

The amendments may be accompanied by a statement explaining the amendments and indicating any impact that such amendments might have on the description and the drawings (which cannot be amended under Article 19(1)).

The statement will be published with the international application and the amended claims.

It must be in the language in which the international application is to be published.

It must be brief, not exceeding 500 words if in English or if translated into English.

It should not be confused with and does not replace the letter indicating the differences between the claims as filed and as amended. It must be filed on a separate sheet and must be identified as such by a heading, preferably by using the words "Statement under Article 19(1)."

It may not contain any disparaging comments on the international search report or the relevance of citations contained in that report. Reference to citations, relevant to a given claim, contained in the international search report may be made only in connection with an amendment of that claim.

Consequence if a demand for international preliminary examination has already been filed

If, at the time of filing any amendments and any accompanying statement, under Article 19, a demand for international preliminary examination has already been submitted, the applicant must preferably, at the time of filing the amendments (and any statement) with the International Bureau, also file with the International Preliminary Examining Authority a copy of such amendments (and of any statement) and, where required, a translation of such amendments for the procedure before that Authority (see Rules 55.3(a) and 62.2, first sentence). For further information, see the Notes to the demand form (PCT/IPEA/401).

If a demand for international preliminary examination is made, the written opinion of the International Searching Authority will, except in certain cases where the International Preliminary Examining Authority did not act as International Searching Authority and where it has notified the International Bureau under Rule 66.1 *bis*(b), be considered to be a written opinion of the International Preliminary Examining Authority. If a demand is made, the applicant may submit to the International Preliminary Examining Authority a reply to the written opinion together, where appropriate, with amendments before the expiration of 3 months from the date of mailing of Form PCT/ISA/220 or before the expiration of 22 months from the priority date, whichever expires later (Rule 43 *bis*.1(c)).

Consequence with regard to translation of the international application for entry into the national phase

The applicant's attention is drawn to the fact that, upon entry into the national phase, a translation of the claims as amended under Article 19 may have to be furnished to the designated/elected Offices, instead of, or in addition to, the translation of the claims as filed.

For further details on the requirements of each designated/elected Office, see the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Volume II.

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From the INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY

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NOTIFICATION OF TRANSMITTAL OF
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THE WRITTEN OPINION OF THE INTERNATIONAL
SEARCHING AUTHORITY, OR THE DECLARATION

(PCT Rule 44.1)

Date of mailing
(day/month/year) **06 APR 2006**

Applicant's or agent's file reference
0492612-0406

FOR FURTHER ACTION See paragraphs 1 and 4 below

International application No.
PCT/US05/41317

International filing date
(day/month/year) 14 November 2005 (14.11.2005)

Applicant
MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

1. The applicant is hereby notified that the international search report and the written opinion of the International Searching Authority have been established and are transmitted herewith.

Filing of amendments and statement under Article 19:

The applicant is entitled, if he so wishes, to amend the claims of the international application (see Rule 46):

When? The time limit for filing such amendments is normally two months from the date of transmittal of the international search report.

Where? Directly to the International Bureau of WIPO, 34 chemin des Colombettes
1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland, Facsimile No.: (41-22) 338.82.70.

For more detailed instructions, see the notes on the accompanying sheet.

2. The applicant is hereby notified that no international search report will be established and that the declaration under Article 17(2)(a) to that effect and the written opinion of the International Searching Authority are transmitted herewith.

3. **With regard to the protest** against payment of (an) additional fee(s) under Rule 40.2, the applicant is notified that:

- the protest together with the decision thereon has been transmitted to the International Bureau together with the applicant's request to forward the texts of both the protest and the decision thereon to the designated Offices.
 no decision has been made yet on the protest; the applicant will be notified as soon as a decision is made.

4. **Reminders**

Shortly after the expiration of **18 months** from the priority date, the international application will be published by the International Bureau. If the applicant wishes to avoid or postpone publication, a notice of withdrawal of the international application, or of the priority claim, must reach the International Bureau as provided in Rules 90bis.1 and 90bis.3, respectively, before the completion of the technical preparations for international publication.

The applicant may submit comments on an informal basis on the written opinion of the International Searching Authority to the International Bureau. The International Bureau will send a copy of such comments to all designated Offices unless an international preliminary examination report has been or is to be established. These comments would also be made available to the public but not before the expiration of 30 months from the priority date.

Within **19 months** from the priority date, but only in respect of some designated Offices, a demand for international preliminary examination must be filed if the applicant wishes to postpone the entry into the national phase **until 30 months** from the priority date (in some Offices even later); otherwise, the applicant must, **within 20 months** from the priority date, perform the prescribed acts for entry into the national phase before those designated Offices.

In respect of other designated Offices, the time limit of **30 months** (or later) will apply even if no demand is filed within 19 months.

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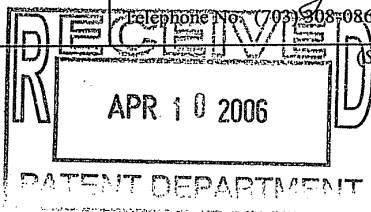
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(See notes on accompanying sheet)

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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

(PCT Article 18 and Rules 43 and 44)

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| Applicant's or agent's file reference 0492612-0406 | FOR FURTHER ACTION see Form PCT/ISA/220 as well as, where applicable, item 5 below. | |
| International application No. PCT/US05/41317 | International filing date (<i>day/month/year</i>) 14 November 2005 (14.11.2005) | (Earliest) Priority Date (<i>day/month/year</i>) 18 November 2004 (18.11.2004) |
| Applicant MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY | | |

This international search report has been prepared by this International Searching Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 18. A copy is being transmitted to the International Bureau.

This international search report consists of a total of 2 sheets.

It is also accompanied by a copy of each prior art document cited in this report.

1. **Basis of the Report**

a. With regard to the **language**, the international search was carried out on the basis of:

- the international application in the language in which it was filed.
 a translation of the international application into _____, which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (Rules 12.3(a) and 23.1(b))

b. With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application, see Box No. I.

2. **Certain claims were found unsearchable** (See Box No. II)

3. **Unity of invention is lacking** (See Box No. III)

4. With regard to the **title**,

- the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.
 the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:

Variable Ethanol Octane Enhancement of Gasoline Engines

5. With regard to the **abstract**,

- the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.
 the text has been established, according to Rule 38.2(b), by this Authority as it appears in Box No. IV. The applicant may, within one month from the date of mailing of this international search report, submit comments to this Authority.

6. With regard to the **drawings**,

a. the figure of the **drawings** to be published with the abstract is Figure No. 1

- as suggested by the applicant.
 as selected by this Authority, because the applicant failed to suggest a figure.
 as selected by this Authority, because this figure better characterizes the invention.

b. none of the figures is to be published with the abstract.

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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International application No.

PCT/US05/41317

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

IPC(8): **F02B 75/12**(2006.01)

USPC: 123/198A,575,1A,525

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)
U.S. : 123/ 198A, 575, 1A, 525

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched
NONE

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)
NONE

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

| Category * | Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages | Relevant to claim No. |
|------------|--|-----------------------|
| X | US 6,076,487 A (WULFF et al) 20 June 2000 (20.06.2000), column 4, lines 60-64 and column 5, lines 3-6. | 1,4,54 |
| A | US 4,495,930 A (NAKAJIMA) 29 January 1985 (29.01.1985), see entire document. | 1-22,24-85 |
| A | US 4,402,296 A (SCHWARZ) 06 September 1983 (06.09.1983), see entire document. | 1-22,24-85 |

Further documents are listed in the continuation of Box C.

See patent family annex.

* Special categories of cited documents:

"A" document defining the general state of the art which is not considered to be of particular relevance

"E" earlier application or patent published on or after the international filing date

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"O" document referring to an oral disclosure, use, exhibition or other means

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"X" document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered novel or cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is taken alone

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Date of the actual completion of the international search

13 March 2006 (13.03.2006)

Date of mailing of the international search report

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WRITTEN OPINION OF THE
INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY

(PCT Rule 43bis.1)

Date of mailing
(day/month/year) **06 APR 2006**

Applicant's or agent's file reference
0492612-0406

FOR FURTHER ACTION
See paragraph 2 below

International application No.
PCT/US05/41317

International filing date (day/month/year)
14 November 2005 (14.11.2005)

Priority date (day/month/year)
18 November 2004 (18.11.2004)

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1. This opinion contains indications relating to the following items:

- Box No. I Basis of the opinion
- Box No. II Priority
- Box No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
- Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention
- Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- Box No. VI Certain documents cited
- Box No. VII Certain defects in the international application
- Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application

2. FURTHER ACTION

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WRITTEN OPINION OF THE
INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY

International application No.

PCT/US05/41317

Box No. I Basis of this opinion

1. With regard to the **language**, this opinion has been established on the basis of:

- the international application in the language in which it was filed
 a translation of the international application into _____, which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (Rules 12.3(a) and 23.1(b)).

2. With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application and necessary to the claimed invention, this opinion has been established on the basis of:

a. type of material

- a sequence listing
 table(s) related to the sequence listing

b. format of material

- on paper
 in electronic form

c. time of filing/furnishing

- contained in the international application as filed.
 filed together with the international application in electronic form.
 furnished subsequently to this Authority for the purposes of search.

3. In addition, in the case that more than one version or copy of a sequence listing and/or table(s) relating thereto has been filed or furnished, the required statements that the information in the subsequent or additional copies is identical to that in the application as filed or does not go beyond the application as filed, as appropriate, were furnished.

4. Additional comments:

**WRITTEN OPINION OF THE
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International application No.
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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43 bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

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| Novelty (N) | Claims <u>2,3,5-22,24-53,55-85</u> | YES |
| | Claims <u>1,4,54</u> | NO |
| Inventive step (IS) | Claims <u>2,3,5-22,24-53,55-85</u> | YES |
| | Claims <u>1,4,54</u> | NO |
| Industrial applicability (IA) | Claims <u>1-22,24-85</u> | YES |
| | Claims <u>NONE</u> | NO |

2. Citations and explanations:

Claims 1,4,54 lack novelty under PCT Article 33(2) as being anticipated by Wulff et al (US 6,076,487).

As to Claim 1, Wulff et al discloses fuel management system for operation of a spark ignition gasoline engine comprising: a gasoline engine; a source of an anti-knock agent; an injector 57 for direct injection of the anti-knock agent into a cylinder of the engine 14; and a fuel management control system 45 for controlling injection of the anti-knock agent into the cylinder to control knock.

As to Claim 4, Wulff et al discloses the anti-knock agent is selected from the group consisting of ethanol, methanol, tertiary butyl alcohol, MTBE, ETBE and TAME.

As to Claim 54, Wulff et al discloses fuel management system for operation of a spark ignition gasoline engine comprising: a gasoline engine; a source of an anti-knock agent; an injector 57 for direct injection of the anti-knock agent into a cylinder of the engine 14; and a fuel management control system 45 for controlling injection of the anti-knock agent into the cylinder to control knock; wherein the anti-knock agent is selected from the group consisting of methanol, tertiary butyl alcohol, MTBE, ETBE, and TAME.

Claims 2,3,5-22,24-53,55-85 meet the criteria set out in PCT Article 33(2)-(3), because the prior art does not teach or fairly suggest a measure of the amount of anti-knock agent in the source to control turbocharging, supercharging or spark retard when the amount of anti-knock agent is low.

Claims 1-22,24-85 meet the criteria set out in PCT Article 33(4), and thus have industrial applicability because the subject matter claimed can be made or used in industry.

**WRITTEN OPINION OF THE
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International application No.

PCT/US05/41317

Box No. VII Certain defects in the international application

The following defects in the form or contents of the international application have been noted:

Claims 1 and 23 are objected to under PCT Rule 66.2(a)(iii) as containing the following defect(s) in the form or contents thereof:
Regarding claim 1, currently there are two claims, which are numbered 1. Regarding claim 23, currently there is no claim 23 in the application.

NOTES TO FORM PCT/ISA/220

These Notes are intended to give the basic instructions concerning the filing of amendments under Article 19. The Notes are based on the requirements of the Patent Cooperation Treaty, the Regulations and the Administrative Instructions under that Treaty. In case of discrepancy between these Notes and those requirements, the latter are applicable. For more detailed information, see also the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, a publication of WIPO.

In these Notes, "Article," "Rule" and "Section" refer to the provisions of the PCT, the PCT Regulations and the PCT Administrative Instructions, respectively.

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING AMENDMENTS UNDER ARTICLE 19

The applicant has, after having received the international search report and the written opinion of the International Searching Authority, one opportunity to amend the claims of the international application. It should however be emphasized that, since all parts of the international application (claims, description and drawings) may be amended during the international preliminary examination procedure, there is usually no need to file amendments of the claims under Article 19 except where, e.g. the applicant wants the latter to be published for the purposes of provisional protection or has another reason for amending the claims before international publication. Furthermore, it should be emphasized that provisional protection is available in some States only (see *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Volume I/A, Annexes B1 and B2).

The attention of the applicant is drawn to the fact that amendments to the claims under Article 19 are not allowed where the International Searching Authority has declared, under Article 17(2), that no international search report would be established (see *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Volume I/A, paragraph 296).

What parts of the international application may be amended ?

Under Article 19, only the claims may be amended.

During the international phase, the claims may also be amended (or further amended) under Article 34 before the International Preliminary Examining Authority. The description and drawings may only be amended under Article 34 before the International Preliminary Examining Authority.

Upon entry into the national phase, all parts of the international application may be amended under Article 28 or, where applicable, Article 41.

When ? Within 2 months from the date of transmittal of the international search report or 16 months from the priority date, whichever time limit expires later. It should be noted, however, that the amendments will be considered as having been received on time if they are received by the International Bureau after the expiration of the applicable time limit but before the completion of the technical preparations for international publication (Rule 46.1).

Where not to file the amendments ?

The amendments may only be filed with the International Bureau and not with the receiving Office or the International Searching Authority (Rule 46.2).

Where a demand for international preliminary examination has been/is filed, see below.

How ? Either by cancelling one or more entire claims, by adding one or more new claims or by amending the text of one or more of the claims as filed.

A replacement sheet must be submitted for each sheet of the claims which, on account of an amendment or amendments, differs from the sheet originally filed.

All the claims appearing on a replacement sheet must be numbered in Arabic numerals. Where a claim is cancelled, no renumbering of the other claims is required. In all cases where claims are renumbered, they must be renumbered consecutively (Section 205(b)).

The amendments must be made in the language in which the international application is to be published.

What documents must/may accompany the amendments ?

Letter (Section 205(b)):

The amendments must be submitted with a letter.

The letter will not be published with the international application and the amended claims. It should not be confused with the "Statement under Article 19(1)" (see below, under "Statement under Article 19(1)").

The letter must be in English or French, at the choice of the applicant. However, if the language of the international application is English, the letter must be in English; if the language of the international application is French, the letter must be in French.

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NOTIFICATION OF TRANSMITTAL OF
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THE WRITTEN OPINION OF THE INTERNATIONAL
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(PCT Rule 44.1)

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| Date of mailing (day/month/year) 28 JUN 2007 | |
| Applicant's or agent's file reference 0492611-0617 ✓ 0433 | FOR FURTHER ACTION See paragraphs 1 and 4 below |
| International application No. PCT/US06/12750 | International filing date (day/month/year) 06 April 2006 (06.04.2006) |
| Applicant MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY | |

1. The applicant is hereby notified that the international search report and the written opinion of the International Searching Authority have been established and are transmitted herewith.

Filing of amendments and statement under Article 19:

The applicant is entitled, if he so wishes, to amend the claims of the international application (see Rule 46):

When? The time limit for filing such amendments is normally two months from the date of transmittal of the international search report.

Where? Directly to the International Bureau of WIPO, 34 chemin des Colombettes
1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland, Facsimile No.: (41-22) 338.82.70.

For more detailed instructions, see the notes on the accompanying sheet.

2. The applicant is hereby notified that no international search report will be established and that the declaration under Article 17(2)(a) to that effect and the written opinion of the International Searching Authority are transmitted herewith.
3. **With regard to the protest** against payment of (an) additional fee(s) under Rule 40.2, the applicant is notified that:
- the protest together with the decision thereon has been transmitted to the International Bureau together with the applicant's request to forward the texts of both the protest and the decision thereon to the designated Offices.
 - no decision has been made yet on the protest; the applicant will be notified as soon as a decision is made.

4. **Reminders**

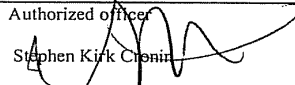
Shortly after the expiration of **18 months** from the priority date, the international application will be published by the International Bureau. If the applicant wishes to avoid or postpone publication, a notice of withdrawal of the international application, or of the priority claim, must reach the International Bureau as provided in Rules 90bis.1 and 90bis.3, respectively, before the completion of the technical preparations for international publication.

The applicant may submit comments on an informal basis on the written opinion of the International Searching Authority to the International Bureau. The International Bureau will send a copy of such comments to all designated Offices unless an international preliminary examination report has been or is to be established. These comments would also be made available to the public but not before the expiration of 30 months from the priority date.

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PATENT COOPERATION TREATY

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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

(PCT Article 18 and Rules 43 and 44)

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| Applicant's or agent's file reference 0492611-0617 | FOR FURTHER ACTION | | see Form PCT/ISA/220 as well as, where applicable, item 5 below. |
| International application No. PCT/US06/12750 | International filing date (day/month/year) 06 April 2006 (06.04.2006) | (Earliest) Priority Date (day/month/year) 06 April 2005 (06.04.2005) | |
| Applicant MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY | | | |

This international search report has been prepared by this International Searching Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 18. A copy is being transmitted to the International Bureau.

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1. **Basis of the Report**

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3. **Unity of invention is lacking** (See Box No. III)

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5. With regard to the **abstract**,

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 the text has been established, according to Rule 38.2(b), by this Authority as it appears in Box No. IV. The applicant may, within one month from the date of mailing of this international search report, submit comments to this Authority.

6. With regard to the **drawings**,

a. the figure of the **drawings** to be published with the abstract is Figure No. 3

- as suggested by the applicant.
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b. none of the figures is to be published with the abstract.

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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International application No.
PCT/US06/12750

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER
 IPC: **F02B 77/04** (2006.01)

 USPC: 123/198A,435,406.29,406.47,25C,559.1
 According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED
 Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)
 U.S. : 123/198A,435,406.29,406.47,25C,559.1

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched
 NONE

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)
 NONE

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

| Category * | Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages | Relevant to claim No. |
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| X | US 6,513,505 B2 (WATANABE et al) 04 February 2003 (04.02.2003), column 5, lines 45-66. | 1,2,17,36 |
| A | US 4,541,383 A (JESSEL) 17 September 1985 (17.09.1985), column 1, lines 10-20. | 1-51 |
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WRITTEN OPINION OF THE
INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY

(PCT Rule 43bis.1)

Date of mailing (day/month/year) **28 JUN 2007**

Applicant's or agent's file reference
0492611-0617

FOR FURTHER ACTION
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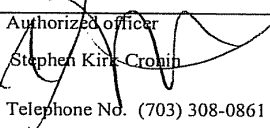
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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43 bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

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| Novelty (N) | Claims <u>3-16,18-35,37-51</u> | YES |
| | Claims <u>1,2,17,36</u> | NO |
| Inventive step (IS) | Claims <u>3-16,18-35,37-51</u> | YES |
| | Claims <u>1,2,17,36</u> | NO |
| Industrial applicability (IA) | Claims <u>1-51</u> | YES |
| | Claims <u>NONE</u> | NO |

2. Citations and explanations:

Claims 1,2,17,36 lacks novelty under PCT Article 33(2) as being anticipated by Watanabe et al (US 6,513,505).

As to Claim 1, Watanabe et al discloses fuel management system for operation of a spark ignition gasoline engine comprising: a spark ignition engine 1; a source of gasoline; a source of anti-knock agent 9 which is a fuel; an injector 2 for direct injection of the anti-knock agent 9 into a cylinder 1a of the engine 1; and a fuel management control system 30 for controlling injection of the anti-knock agent 9 into the cylinder 1a to control knock, wherein the antiknock agent 9 has a heat of vaporization per unit of combustion energy that is at least three times that of gasoline. See col. 2, lines 12-20, col. 5, lines 45-66 and col. 6, lines 1-27 and Figs. 1-6.

As to Claim 2, Watanabe et al discloses fuel management system for operation of a spark ignition gasoline comprising: a spark ignition engine 1; a source of gasoline; a source of an anti-knock agent 9 which is a fuel an injector 2 for direct injection of the anti-knock agent 9 into a cylinder of the engine; and a fuel management control system 30 for controlling injection of the anti-knock agent 9 into the cylinder when engine torque is above a selected value or fraction of maximum torque where the value or fraction of maximum torque is a function of engine speed.

As to Claim 17, Watanabe et al discloses wherein the anti-knock agent is ethanol and where the amounts of air, ethanol and gasoline per cylinder per cycle are controlled so as to achieve a substantially stoichiometric fuel/ air ratio.

As to Claim 36, Watanabe et al discloses fuel management system for efficient operation of a spark ignition gasoline engine comprising: a gasoline engine 1; a source of an anti-knock agent 9; an injector 2 for direct injection of both the anti-knock agent and the gasoline into a cylinder of the engine; and a fuel management control system 30 for controlling injection of the anti-knock agent into the cylinder to control knock.

Claims 3-16,18-35,37-51 meets the criteria set out in PCT Article 33(2)-(3), because the prior art does not teach or fairly suggest wherein the maximum anti-knock agent energy fraction used during a drive cycle is between 30% and 100%.

Claims 1-51 meets the criteria set out in PCT Article 33(4), and thus have industrial applicability because the subject matter claimed can be made or used in industry.

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Box No. VII Certain defects in the international application

The following defects in the form or contents of the international application have been noted:

Claims 4,42,48 objected to under PCT Rule 66.2(a)(iii) as containing the following defect(s) in the form or contents thereof: The inlet valve of claim 4 lacks proper antecedent basis. The claim 42 is an improper multiple dependent claim (not in alternative format, and dependent upon other multiple dependent claims). The claim 48, "expandable pipe and funnel" is not shown in the drawings.

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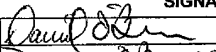
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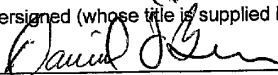
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Double Patenting

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Effective January 1, 1994, a registered attorney or agent of record may sign a terminal disclaimer. A terminal disclaimer signed by the assignee must fully comply with 37 CFR 3.73(b).

2. Claims 1-32 are provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 74-98 of copending Application No. 11/840,719. Although the conflicting claims are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other because they have the same scope.

This is a provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection because the conflicting claims have not in fact been patented.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

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3. Claims 1-32 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Cohn et al (6,655,324).

Cohn et al teaches a spark ignition engine; a first means for introducing the fuel from the first source into the engine; a second means for direct injection of the liquid from the second source into the engine, wherein during part of the engine operating time, the engine receives both the fuel from the first source and the liquid that is directly injected from the second source; and a fuel management system which varies the relative amount of the liquid from the second source that is introduced into the engine so as to prevent knock, wherein the fuel management system employs information from a knock detector and uses closed loop control to control the amount of directly injected liquid from the second source; and wherein the engine is operated with a substantially stoichiometric fuel/air ratio.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Hai H. Huynh whose telephone number is (571) 272-

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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Applicant hereby submits the following Response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed August 25, 2009. Applicant respectfully requests consideration and entry of this Response.

Listing of Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1. (Original) A spark ignition engine system for which fuel is introduced into the engine from a first source and a liquid is separately introduced into the engine from a second source by direct injection comprising:

a spark ignition engine;

a first means for introducing the fuel from the first source into the engine;

a second means for direct injection of the liquid from the second source into the engine, wherein during part of the engine operating time, the engine receives both the fuel from the first source and the liquid that is directly injected from the second source; and

a fuel management system which varies the relative amount of the liquid from the second source that is introduced into the engine so as to prevent knock, wherein the fuel management system employs information from a knock detector and uses closed loop control to control the amount of directly injected liquid from the second source; and

wherein the engine is operated with a substantially stoichiometric fuel/air ratio.

2. (Original) The engine system of claim **1**, wherein the engine is turbocharged or supercharged.

3. (Original) The engine system of claim **1** or **2**, wherein the liquid from the second source is alcohol.

4. (Original) The engine system of claim **3**, wherein the alcohol is methanol.

5. (Original) The engine system of claim **3**, wherein the alcohol is ethanol.

6. (Original) The engine system of claim **1** or **2**, wherein the liquid from the second source is an alcohol–water mixture.

7. (Original) The engine system of claim **1** or **2**, wherein the liquid from the second source includes water.

8. (Original) The engine system of claim **1** or **2**, wherein the fuel from the first source is gasoline and the liquid from the second source includes water.

9. (Original) The engine system of claim **1** or **2**, wherein the liquid from the second source is injected so as to result in a non-uniform distribution in the engine cylinder.

10. (Original) The engine system of claim **9**, wherein the liquid from the second source is injected so as to be more concentrated near the periphery of the engine cylinder, and
wherein the liquid from the second source includes alcohol, and
wherein the alcohol energy fraction is sufficiently high to prevent knock but the alcohol energy fraction is reduced as compared to the situation using a uniform distribution.

11. (Original) The engine system of claim **1** or **2**, wherein the fuel management system employs a microprocessor for control of the relative amount of liquid from the second source that is directly injected into the engine using information from a knock sensor, and
wherein the relative amount of the liquid from the second source increases with increasing torque, and
wherein the fuel management system minimizes the amount of directly injected liquid from the second source that is used over a drive cycle.

12. (Original) The engine system of claim **11** further including open loop control with a look up table.

13. (Original) The engine system of claims **1** or **2**, wherein spark retard is used and is varied according to the consumption of the liquid from the second tank.

14. (Original) A spark ignition engine system into which fuel is introduced into the engine from a first source using a first fuel injector and a liquid from a second source is introduced into the engine using a second fuel injector comprising:

a spark ignition engine;

a first fuel injector for introducing fuel into the engine from the first source;

a second fuel injector for introducing the liquid from the second source into the engine

wherein during part of the engine operating time, the engine receives both the fuel from the first source and the liquid from the second source; and

a fuel management system which varies the relative amount of the liquid from the second source that is introduced into the engine so as to prevent knock, wherein the fuel management

system uses closed loop control to control the amount of liquid from the second source and employs information from a knock detector, and

wherein the engine is operated with a substantially stoichiometric fuel/air ratio.

15. (Original) The engine system of claim **14**, wherein the fuel from the first source is port fuel injected.

16. (Original) The engine system of claim **14** or **15**, wherein the liquid from the second source is alcohol.

17. (Original) The engine system of claim **16**, wherein the alcohol is methanol.

18. (Original) The engine system of claim **16**, wherein the alcohol is ethanol.

19. (Original) The engine system of claims **14** or **15**, wherein the liquid from the second source is an alcohol-water mixture.

20. (Original) The engine system of claims **14** or **15**, wherein the liquid from the second source includes water.

21. (Original) The engine system of claims **14** or **15**, wherein the fuel from the first source is gasoline and the liquid from the second source includes water.

22. (Original) The engine system of claims **14** or **15**, wherein the fuel management system employs a microprocessor for control of the relative amount of liquid from the second source that is directly injected into the engine using information from a knock sensor, and wherein the relative amount of liquid from the second source increases with increasing torque, and wherein the fuel management system minimizes the amount of directly injected liquid from the second source that is used over a drive cycle.

23. (Original) The engine system of claim **22** further including open loop control with a look up table.

24. (Original) The engine system of claims **14** or **15**, wherein spark retard is used and is varied according to the consumption of the liquid from the second tank.

- 25.** (Original) The engine system of claims **14** or **15**, wherein the engine is turbocharged.
- 26.** (Original) The engine system of claims **14** or **15**, wherein the engine is supercharged.
- 27.** (Original) A turbocharged or supercharged spark ignition engine system which uses both port fuel injection of gasoline from a first source and direct fuel injection of alcohol from a second source comprising:
- a spark ignition engine;
 - a turbocharger or supercharger;
 - means for port fuel injection of gasoline from the first source;
 - means for direct fuel injection of alcohol from the second source, wherein during part of the engine operating time, the engine is fueled both by gasoline that is port fuel injected and alcohol that is directly injected; and
 - a fuel management system which increases the relative amount of alcohol in the engine with increasing torque so as to prevent knock, wherein the fuel management system employs information from a knock detector and uses closed loop control to control the amount of directly injected alcohol, and
 - wherein the engine is operated with a substantially stoichiometric fuel/air ratio.
- 28.** (Original) The engine system of claim **27**, wherein the alcohol is methanol.
- 29.** (Original) The engine system of claim **27**, wherein the alcohol is ethanol.
- 30.** (Original) The engine system of claim **27**, wherein the alcohol is mixed with water.
- 31.** (Original) The engine system of claim **27**, wherein the fuel management system employs a microprocessor for control of the relative amount of alcohol from the second source that is directly injected into the engine using information from a knock sensor.
- 32.** (Original) The engine system of claim **31**, wherein the fuel management system minimizes the amount of directly injected alcohol from the second source that is used over a drive cycle.

REMARKS

Claims **1-32**, of which claim 1, 14 and 27 are independent in form, are presented for examination. Applicants make no amendments to the claims with this Response. Applicants respectfully request a timely Notice of Allowance.

The Examiner provisionally rejected claims 1-32 on the ground of non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting as unpatentable over claims 74-98 of co-pending application No. 11/840,719. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner hold this rejection in abeyance.

Claim Rejections: Claims 1-32

Claims 1-32 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as anticipated by Cohn *et al.* (6655324).

Claims 1-32 are directed to a spark ignition engine system having, *inter alia*, a second fuel injector for introducing liquid from a second source into the engine.

Cohn *et al.* is directed to a high compression ratio, hydrogen enhanced gasoline engine system. Cohn *et al.* does not teach a second fuel injector for introducing a liquid from a second source into the engine. Although column 8, lines 1-4 discusses “other mixtures involving natural gas propane, ethanol and methanol”, these is no explicit teaching that those natural gases be in liquid form. As Cohn *et al.* is silent as to the state of the natural gases, there is no teaching of introducing a liquid from a second source.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection over Cohn *et al.* be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicants submit that all claims pending in this application, namely claims **1-32** are in condition for allowance and early indication thereof is respectfully requested.

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A timely filed terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(c) or 1.321(d) may be used to overcome an actual or provisional rejection based on a nonstatutory double patenting ground provided the conflicting application or patent either is shown to be commonly owned with this application, or claims an invention made as a result of activities undertaken within the scope of a joint research agreement.

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2. Claims 1-32 are provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 74-98 of copending Application No. 11/840,719. Although the conflicting claims are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other because they have the same scope.

This is a provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection because the conflicting claims have not in fact been patented.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Hai H. Huynh whose telephone number is (571) 272-

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Response to Office Action

Applicant hereby submits the following response to the Non-final Office Action mailed January 12, 2010. Applicant respectfully requests consideration and entry of this response.

The Listing of Claims appears on page 2.

Listing of Claims

1. (Original) A spark ignition engine system for which fuel is introduced into the engine from a first source and a liquid is separately introduced into the engine from a second source by direct injection comprising:
 - a spark ignition engine;
 - a first means for introducing the fuel from the first source into the engine;
 - a second means for direct injection of the liquid from the second source into the engine, wherein during part of the engine operating time, the engine receives both the fuel from the first source and the liquid that is directly injected from the second source; and
 - a fuel management system which varies the relative amount of the liquid from the second source that is introduced into the engine so as to prevent knock, wherein the fuel management system employs information from a knock detector and uses closed loop control to control the amount of directly injected liquid from the second source; and
 - wherein the engine is operated with a substantially stoichiometric fuel/air ratio.
2. (Original) The engine system of claim 1, wherein the engine is turbocharged or supercharged.
3. (Original) The engine system of claim 1 or 2, wherein the liquid from the second source is alcohol.
4. (Original) The engine system of claim 3, wherein the alcohol is methanol.
5. (Original) The engine system of claim 3, wherein the alcohol is ethanol.
6. (Original) The engine system of claim 1 or 2, wherein the liquid from the second source is an alcohol–water mixture.
7. (Original) The engine system of claim 1 or 2, wherein the liquid from the second source includes water.

8. (Original) The engine system of claim 1 or 2, wherein the fuel from the first source is gasoline and the liquid from the second source includes water.
9. (Original) The engine system of claim 1 or 2, wherein the liquid from the second source is injected so as to result in a non-uniform distribution in the engine cylinder.
10. (Original) The engine system of claim 9, wherein the liquid from the second source is injected so as to be more concentrated near the periphery of the engine cylinder, and
wherein the liquid from the second source includes alcohol, and
wherein the alcohol energy fraction is sufficiently high to prevent knock but the alcohol energy fraction is reduced as compared to the situation using a uniform distribution.
11. (Original) The engine system of claim 1 or 2, wherein the fuel management system employs a microprocessor for control of the relative amount of liquid from the second source that is directly injected into the engine using information from a knock sensor, and
wherein the relative amount of the liquid from the second source increases with increasing torque, and
wherein the fuel management system minimizes the amount of directly injected liquid from the second source that is used over a drive cycle.
12. (Original) The engine system of claim 11 further including open loop control with a look up table.
13. (Original) The engine system of claims 1 or 2, wherein spark retard is used and is varied according to the consumption of the liquid from the second tank.
14. (Original) A spark ignition engine system into which fuel is introduced into the engine from a first source using a first fuel injector and a liquid from a second source is introduced into the engine using a second fuel injector comprising:
a spark ignition engine;
a first fuel injector for introducing fuel into the engine from the first source;
a second fuel injector for introducing the liquid from the second source into the engine
wherein during part of the engine operating time, the engine receives both the fuel from the first

source and the liquid from the second source; and

a fuel management system which varies the relative amount of the liquid from the second source that is introduced into the engine so as to prevent knock, wherein the fuel management system uses closed loop control to control the amount of liquid from the second source and employs information from a knock detector, and

wherein the engine is operated with a substantially stoichiometric fuel/air ratio.

15. (Original) The engine system of claim 14, wherein the fuel from the first source is port fuel injected.
16. (Original) The engine system of claim 14 or 15, wherein the liquid from the second source is alcohol.
17. (Original) The engine system of claim 16, wherein the alcohol is methanol.
18. (Original) The engine system of claim 16, wherein the alcohol is ethanol.
19. (Original) The engine system of claims 14 or 15, wherein the liquid from the second source is an alcohol-water mixture.
20. (Original) The engine system of claims 14 or 15, wherein the liquid from the second source includes water.
21. (Original) The engine system of claims 14 or 15, wherein the fuel from the first source is gasoline and the liquid from the second source includes water.
22. (Original) The engine system of claims 14 or 15, wherein the fuel management system employs a microprocessor for control of the relative amount of liquid from the second source that is directly injected into the engine using information from a knock sensor, and wherein the relative amount of liquid from the second source increases with increasing torque, and wherein the fuel management system minimizes the amount of directly injected liquid from the second source that is used over a drive cycle.

23. (Original) The engine system of claim 22 further including open loop control with a look up table.
24. (Original) The engine system of claims 14 or 15, wherein spark retard is used and is varied according to the consumption of the liquid from the second tank.
25. (Original) The engine system of claims 14 or 15, wherein the engine is turbocharged.
26. (Original) The engine system of claims 14 or 15, wherein the engine is supercharged.
27. (Original) A turbocharged or supercharged spark ignition engine system which uses both port fuel injection of gasoline from a first source and direct fuel injection of alcohol from a second source comprising:
- a spark ignition engine;
 - a turbocharger or supercharger;
 - means for port fuel injection of gasoline from the first source;
 - means for direct fuel injection of alcohol from the second source, wherein during part of the engine operating time, the engine is fueled both by gasoline that is port fuel injected and alcohol that is directly injected; and
 - a fuel management system which increases the relative amount of alcohol in the engine with increasing torque so as to prevent knock, wherein the fuel management system employs information from a knock detector and uses closed loop control to control the amount of directly injected alcohol, and
 - wherein the engine is operated with a substantially stoichiometric fuel/air ratio.
28. (Original) The engine system of claim 27, wherein the alcohol is methanol.
29. (Original) The engine system of claim 27, wherein the alcohol is ethanol.
30. (Original) The engine system of claim 27, wherein the alcohol is mixed with water.
31. (Original) The engine system of claim 27, wherein the fuel management system employs a microprocessor for control of the relative amount of alcohol from the second source that is directly injected into the engine using information from a knock sensor.

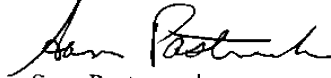
32. (Original) The engine system of claim **31**, wherein the fuel management system minimizes the amount of directly injected alcohol from the second source that is used over a drive cycle.

Remarks

In response to the office action, enclosed herewith is a terminal disclaimer disclaiming the terminal portion of copending application number 11/840,719.

Since the only rejection is based on a provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection, it is submitted that the enclosed terminal disclaimer places this application in condition for allowance.

Respectfully Submitted,



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