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### Handling of SOLAS Activities

### Non Current Engines

On July 01, 2003 the 1994 Amendments to SOLAS II-2 came into force and are now mandatory for older ships as well as new ships.

In the second quarter of 2003, Caterpillar Motoren, our Dealers, and our Service Stations have seen a growing number of inquiries from our customers.

Handling and resolving of these inquiries has shown us that much communication is necessary to find a solution that fits to the engine and meets the required standard.

It is difficult to have a standard solution for all engines, or even of one series of engines, regardless of their age, original design status or current condition. We are also mindful that the costs related to the necessary modifications must be acceptable to our customers.

With these goals as our target, we have created parts kits that are flexible enough to meet the requirements of every engine.

If the components of these kits are mounted by authorized service personnel you can be sure that the respective SOLAS requirements are covered.

To avoid serious problems, like vessel detention, Caterpillar Motoren recommends that owners with engines that are not complying with the SOLAS regulations should upgrade them to full compliance.

Your dealer / agent is your primary contact to discuss this issue in detail.

For more information please see the attached Part News.