

Every Alternative News Update

Riding in Comfort with CNG

Motor Coach Industries (MCI) has taken its CNG-powered commuter coach model on the road to showcase the benefits of natural gas to transit executives across the USA.

MCI believes CNG could be a viable and green option for coach bus applications in areas mandated for natural gas.



Although the Cummins Westport ISL G is not yet available for purchase in a coach application, MCI has put it on the road as a prototype. The commuter coach, powered by an 8.9 liter 320 hp ISL G CNG engine, will be tested as it travels through various Western states.

For more information, see www.mcicoach.com

ISL G Natural Gas for Trucking

The availability of CWI's ISL G engine for trucking applications reached new heights during the past year.

More models, more options - In 2009, Freightliner introduced the ISL G for its Business Class M2 112. Then in 2010, Kenworth and Peterbilt launched their own truck models with the ISL G:

- **Freightliner:** Business Class M2 112 for truck / tractor regional haul.
- **Kenworth:** W900S for vocational, municipal, pickup and delivery applications. T440 for regional haul and vocational applications.
- **Peterbilt:** Models 384 and 365 for tractor, bulk, and tanker hauling applications.

With the ISL G now available as a factory option for all trucking applications- from short and long haul tractors to refuse collection, street sweepers and mixer trucks - truck owners don't have to look far to find a natural gas truck for their application.

See the ISL G in action: www.youtube.com/watch?v=zMMkaP6juPY

Funding News

Natural gas advocates are encouraged with the U.S. NAT Gas Act (New Alternative Transportation to Give Americans Solutions), a bill that would provide financial incentives to accelerate the move to cleaner transportation and reduce dependence on imported oil. Passage of the NAT GAS Act would extend and expand the existing federal financial incentives for buying and using natural gas vehicles. In addition to providing credits for fueling and infrastructure, the bill would provide income tax credits for conversions, repowers, or the purchase of new, dedicated natural gas vehicles equal to 50% of the incremental cost.

Visit NGVAmerica for more information:
http://www.ngvc.org/gov_policy/index.html.

CWI Welcomes New Customer Support Leader

Cummins Westport welcomes Don Hummer to the role of Customer Support Director. Don will take over from Greg Young, who has moved to the new role of OEM and Business Development Director. Don brings to CWI a wealth of customer support experience. He'll be responsible for all of CWI's service engineering, providing factory service support leadership to drive outstanding infield technical support of CWI's natural gas engines.

Cummins Westport is also happy to welcome Jerry Johnson to the team in the role of Western Regional Sales Manager.

Service Tips: Keys to Success

Like all engines, natural gas engines require regular service and maintenance to ensure long life and performance. Follow these keys to success:

- Follow Cummins maintenance intervals and procedures outlined in the Operation and Maintenance manuals
- Use Cummins Authorized parts
- Use only natural gas engine oil (CES 200074)
- Set oil drain/service intervals based on average fleet speed
- Check air intake frequently and use only OEM approved air filters

Visit the Customer Care section for more information: www.cumminswestport.com.

Tradeshows & Events

More and more companies are considering the switch to clean, domestic, and economical natural gas for their fleets. This was evident on the tradeshow floor, as CWI kicked off a busy first half of the year. March started with the NTEA Work Truck Show & Green Truck Summit, in St. Louis, MO, where CWI exhibited in the Calstart Clean Technology Pavilion.

Also in March was the National NGV Fleet Summit in Louisville, KY, featuring comprehensive information for trucking fleets interested in moving to natural gas. The Mid-America Trucking Show followed, where Freightliner, Peterbilt, and Kenworth each displayed vehicles with the ISL G natural gas engine.

In April, CWI exhibited with Cummins at Truckworld in Toronto, ON, where interest in natural gas is starting to pick up. Enbridge, Canada's largest gas distribution company, exhibited a Freightliner M2 dump truck powered by a 320 hp ISL G.

May conference activity continued with Waste Expo in Atlanta, GA, where four natural gas refuse vehicles were on display. With the ISL G available from Mack, Crane Carrier, American LaFrance, Peterbilt, and Autocar, there's a Cummins Westport natural gas option for all refuse and recycling applications.



Waste Expo - Atlanta, GA

Overseas, CWI joined Cummins at Busworld Turkey, where Temsa and BMC displayed ISL G-powered buses. And in China, interest continued for natural gas engines at Beijing's International NGV and Gas Station Equipment Expo.



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