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Innovative Fuel Filter Monitoring System Makes Quantum Leap in Marine Safety

Stuart, Florida, February 7, 2010: NIFC and DigiVac, member of the ABYC, have the pleasure to announce that the breakthrough approach to avoid engine failure by displaying fuel filter condition at the helm is ready for the market. This system will greatly improve safety because boat operators will no longer have to wonder about fuel filter health while underway. With the Fail-Safe Filter Alert, instead of only checking filter condition by going into the engine room, a display screen can be installed on the dash with a numeric pressure display, a colored light indicator that graduates from green to yellow to red as the filter becomes more clogged, and an audible alarm that sounds when filter attention is required in order to maintain engine power.

“When filters become too clogged, engines lose power. If it happens in bad weather, a crowded waterway, or a narrow channel, not only can it lead to costly damage to the vessel but also create a safety hazard for everyone around. Using this system is a way to avoid this common cause of engine failure,” said Robert Reid Jr., CEO of NIFC and inventor of the concept.

The purpose of the DigiVac Fail-Safe Filter Alert is making boats safer for everyone. Diesel fuel filters on boats have a tendency to clog more quickly than usual in rough seas because contaminants in the fuel tanks are more likely to get mixed up and make the filters work harder to clean the fuel before it goes into the engine.

The DigiVac Fail-Safe Filter Alert was made possible by the combined efforts of a professional skipper and an engineer who share a passion for boating and were interested in improving overall safety because both had experiences with clogged fuel filters. Robert Reid, a third generation yacht captain, conceived of the idea, and it was designed and manufactured in the USA by Tim Collins, President of DigiVac in Matawan, NJ.

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