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Condor Vitesse
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Dear Bryan,

Please accept my apologies for not replying to your letter sooner.

I can confirm that I was involved with the Fast Ferry Condor 10 as Chief Engineer from its first voyage to New Zealand in November 1994 where it took up service as The Lynx across Cook Strait. I remained with the vessel until August 99 when the vessel was delivered to Melbourne to a new charterer

During the time Tranz Rail had the vessel it travelled between the northern and southern hemisphere twice each year as well as operating in each hemisphere during the summer.

Condor 10 is a 78 metre catamaran fast ferry powered by four V16 Ruston engines developing 22,000 HP in total and at full speed consumed approx. 3,500 litres of gas oil per hour.

During our second season operating Condor 10 it was noted during our weekly inspection of the fuel tank drains that we had evidence of fuel bug contamination in all four tanks. We initially dosed the tanks with Biocide to kill the bug but as this is an expensive exercise and because the vessel was bunkering at foreign ports twice each year the Owners of the vessel were persuaded to fit your companies De-Bug units one in each fuel inlet supply to the four main engines and four alternators.

Once the De-Bug units were installed we did not have any more problems with fuel contamination caused by micro-organisms and can therefore confirm that your companies units worked successfully.

As requested I list below the contact address of Condor Vitesse's Technical Manager.

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Kind Regards
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