Halon Replacement for Aircraft Portable Fire Extinguishers – Progress Report

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Overview

Three halon 1211 alternatives are currently FAA and UL approved

- HCFC Blend B
- HFC-236fa
- HFC-227ea

- 2-Bromo-3,3,3-trifluoropropene (2-BTP or BTP) in development

- Boeing supporting research
- SNAP application was expected earlier in the year
 - Just recently filed
 - Additional testing ongoing



Property Comparison

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	HALON 1211	HCFC Blend B	HFC-236fa	HFC-227ea	ВТР
Chemical Formula	CF ₂ ClBr	$CF_3CHCl_2 +$ gases (Ar, CF_4)	CF ₃ CH ₂ CF ₃	CF ₃ CHFCF ₃	CF ₃ CBr=CH ₂
Molecular Weight	165.4	150.7	152.0	170.0	174.9
Boiling Point @ 1 Atm.	26 ºF (-3 ºC)	81 ºF (27 ºC)	30 ºF (-1 ºC)	2 ºF (-16 ºC)	93 °F (34 °C)
Specific Gravity, Liquid	1.83	1.48	1.36	1.40	1.65
Atmospheric Lifetime	16 years	1.3 years ⁽¹⁾	242 years	39 years	7 days
LC 50 (4 hr rat), ppm	31,000 – 100,000	30,000 – 35,000	>189,000	>800,000	> 20,000
Cardio-Tox LOAEL, %vol.	1%	2%	15.0%	10.5%	1%
Cardio-Tox NOAEL, %vol.	0.5%.	1%	10%	9%	0.5%
Cup Burner, heptane, %vol.	3.2%	6.5%	6.3%	6.5%	4.7%

1. Value based on HCFC-123. Also contains one PFC in small proportion

Bottle Details – UL/FAA Approved 5B:C

	HALON 1211	HCFC Blend B	HFC-236fa	HFC-227ea	BTP
Bottle Dimensions, in.	17 x 4.8 x 3.25	15 x 5 x 4.25	15.9 x 8 x 4.5	16.6 x 6.5 x 4.4	~17 x 5 x 3.25
Agent Weight, Lb.	2.5	5.5	4.75	5.75	3.75
Gross Weight, Lb.	3.93	9.3	9.5	9.8	5.6
Bottle Construction	Aluminum	Carbon Steel	Carbon Steel	Carbon Steel	Aluminum

Current approved alternatives gross weight based on carbon steel bottles

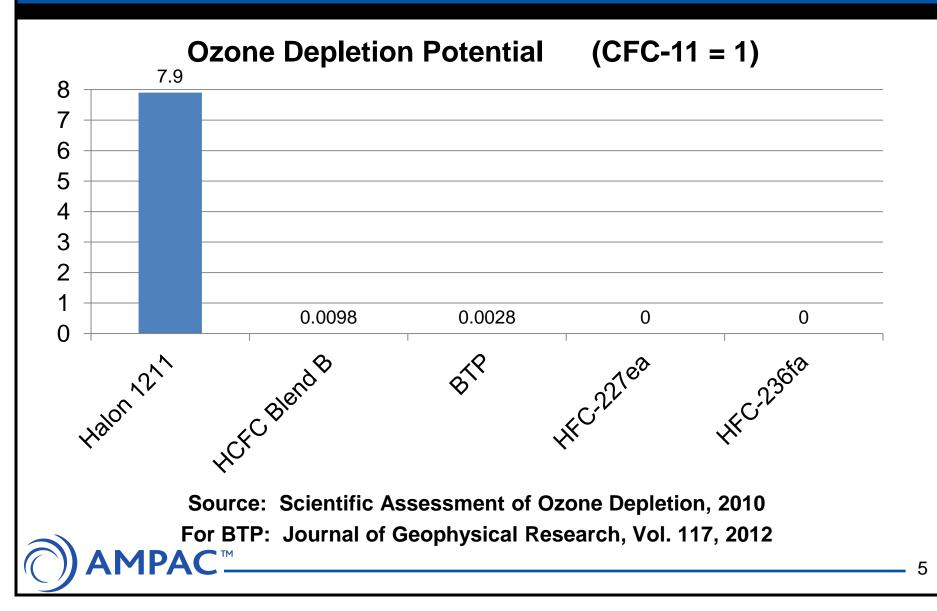
Reductions possible

BTP bottle is a drop-in for current Boeing Halon 1211 unit

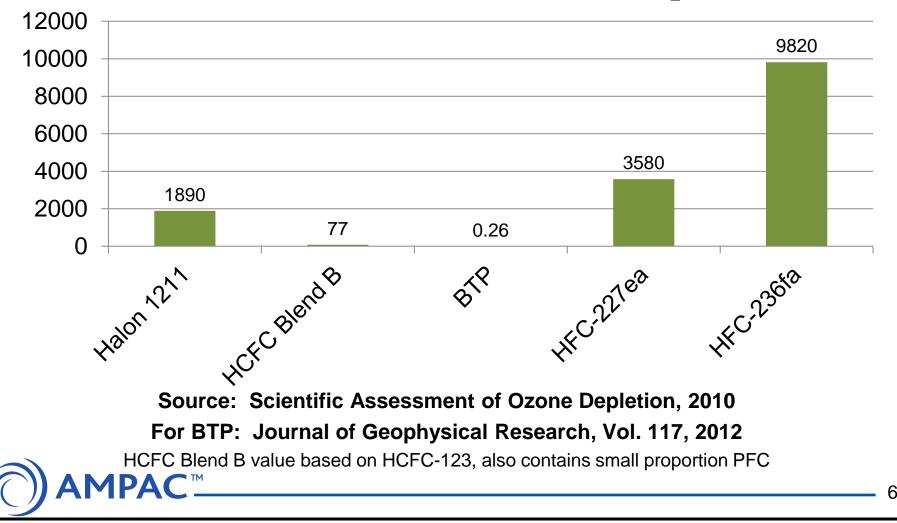
May be different in size than other airframe manufacturers



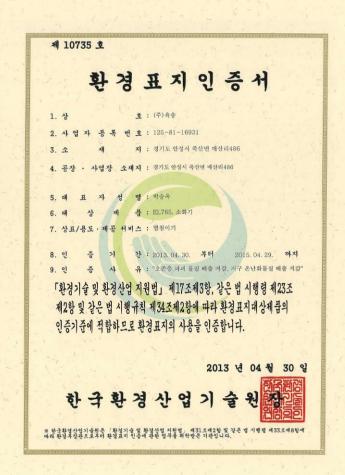
Environmental Profile - ODP



Global Warming Potential (100yr $CO_2 = 1$)



Balancing ODP and GWP



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Korean Green Mark

- Criteria
 - ODP less than 0.055
 - GWP less than 3000
- BTP meets criteria
- Mark has been issued for HCFC Blend B
- HFCs do not meet criteria

BTP Development – FAA/UL

AC20-42D, Hand Fire Extinguishers for Use In Aircraft

- Requires
 - UL listing for 5B:C
 - FAA Hidden Fire Test
 - Conducted at UL
 - FAA Seat Fire / Toxicity Test



BTP – 5B Fire Video



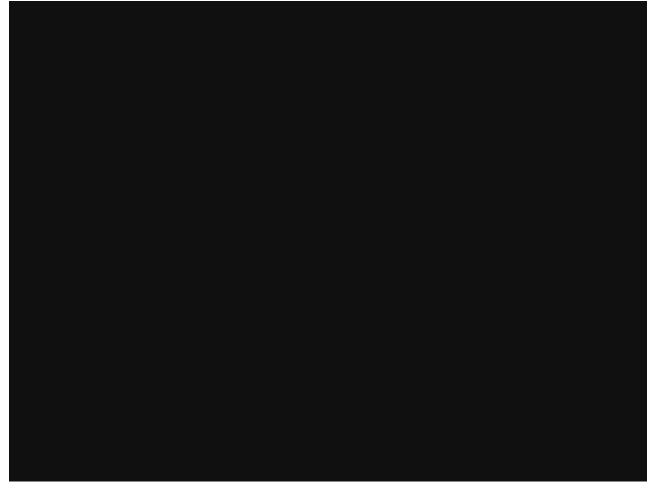


BTP – Hidden Fire Test Video





BTP – Seat Fire Test





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BTP Development

Extensive Toxicity Test Program Required for SNAP/TSCA, REACH, and FAA

- Rat Micronucleus
- Eye Irritation
- Skin irritation
- Acute Dermal
- 90-day Sub-Chronic Inhalation
- Reproductive and Development Screen
- Acute Fish Toxicity
- Activated Sludge Respiration Inhibition
- Biodegradation
- Partition Coefficients
- Physiologically Based Pharmacokinetic (PBPK) Modeling
- All testing in this series complete



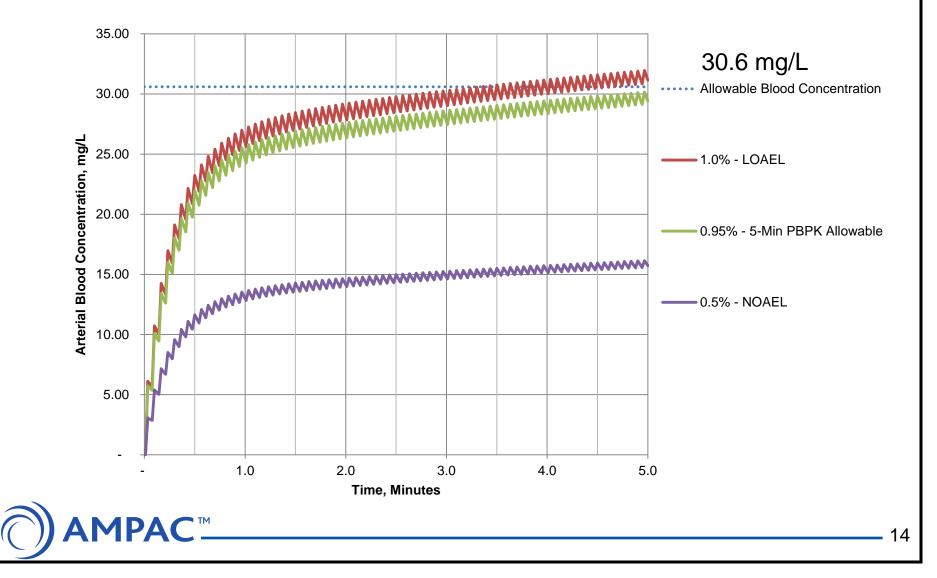
BTP REPRODUCTIVE AND DEVELOPMENTAL

Initial Reproductive and Developmental Screen (COMPLETE)

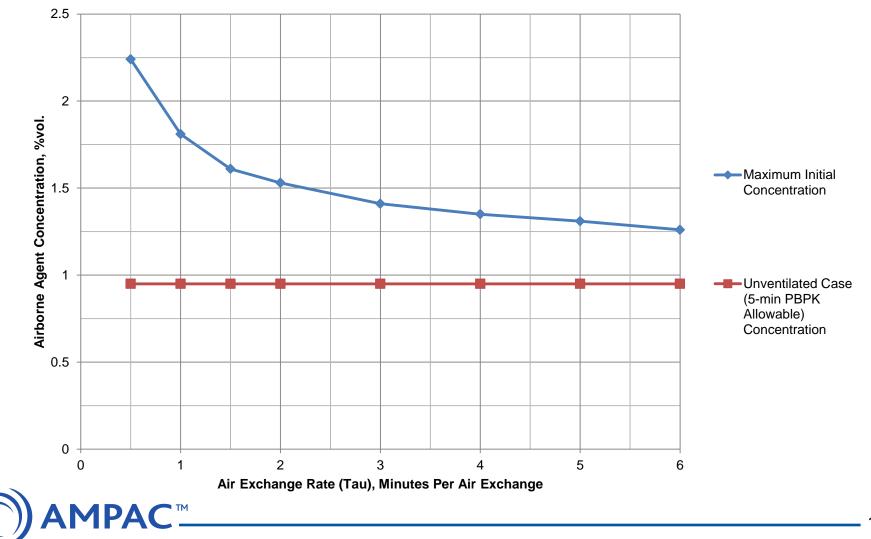
- 6 hours/day, 7 days/week exposure
- Not mutagenic and no birth defects noted
- Effects to reproductive cycle observed
- NOAEL not determined
- Second Reproductive and Developmental Screen (ONGOING)
 - Testing underway
 - Desire to find NOAEL and evaluate short term effects, if any, from exposure to discharge
 - 6 hours/day, 7 days/week exposure
 - Lower exposure levels than initial test
 - 5 minutes/day, 7 days/week exposure
 - Discharge exposure (1% for 5-minutes)
 - Report Tentative Completion 1Q2014



BTP PBPK Model Results



BTP - PBPK - Concentration Vs Air Exchange



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BTP Schedule

• US EPA SNAP and EU ECHA REACH submittals should have been made

- Additional reproductive test report will be filed toward end of 1Q2014
- UL fire performance complete
- UL hardware tests ongoing
 - 1 year leak
 - Misc. hardware tests
- Regulatory review anticipated to be complete by end of 2014
 - US Federal Register notice may take longer
- Commercialization to support airplane manufacture's implementation dates to meet ICAO's December 31, 2016 date

