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Enclosures: (A) (HW) Table I, Atmospheric Distillation, Experiments of Blending Special Diesel Fuel Cuts.  
(B) (HW) Table II, Vacuum Distillation, Experiments of Blending Special Diesel Fuel Cuts.

1. Enclosed herewith are two sets of tables on special diesel fuel cuts made by the Auhlmann Company at their plant in Hurnes, France.

2. The Table I reports (a) the inspections on the total gas oil used, (b) the inspections on the five cuts come from the gas oil, and (c) the inspections on the blends made from the five cuts. The data in every case includes pour, cloud, outline and flash points, together with the calculated cetane number. These cuts were made on an atmospheric still.

3. This data is of interest, the Auhlmann Company have similar data on atmospheric distillation range on a vacuum still. The results of these tests are given in Table II. These cuts were later checked in the French Blending Laboratory at Bellevue where they were found to be very similar to the American diesel test fuel. It was hoped that the material left over from this work to send on for the vacuum distillation of verification. However, the quantity of this material is not available.

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The data are interesting in that they show that a relatively high cetane fuel can be produced at the same time the pour point is held to approximate Navy specifications. It should be noted that the rating is "cetane" number, rather than "cetane", hence the cetane values of 2, 3 and 4 are probably just slightly below 50. However, this is consistent with the corresponding pour points of  $-25^{\circ}$ ,  $7^{\circ}$ , and  $70^{\circ}$  F.

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Experiments of Blending Special Diesel Fuel Cuts

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Fischer Tropsch Plant - Kuhlmann Co.

Barnes, France

TABLE I - (Atmospheric Distillation)

		Distillation	Cloud Point	Pour Point	Aniline Point	Calculated Cetane No.	Flash Point
Fischer Gas Oil Used (Sp. Gr. 0.771)		0% - 374°F					
		10% - 428°F	36°F	28°F	195°F	104.	166°F
		50% - 505°F					
		90% - 595°F					
		99% - 644°F					
Fraction	1	374°F/444°F	-16°F	-33°F	185°F	84.	149°F
	2	444°F/484°F	12°F	-0°F	187°F	96.5	--
	3	484°F/511°F	28°F	16°F	187°F	96.5	--
	4	511°F/573°F	50°F	43°F	195°F	106.	--
	5	573°F/644°F	72°F	70°F	214°F	125.	276°F
1 + 2		374°F/484°F	-20°F	-16°F	186°F	94.5	--
1 + 2 + 3		374°F/511°F	10°F	1°F	187°F	96.5	--
1 + 2 + 3 + 4		374°F/573°F	18°F	9°F	132°F	99.	--
2 + 3 + 4 + 5		444°F/644°F	39°F	34°F	196°F	107.	--
3 + 4 + 5		484°F/644°F	48°F	45°F	203°F	112.	--
4 + 5		511°F/644°F	61°F	57°F	204°F	116.	--

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Fischer Tropesch Plant - Kuhlmann Co.  
Harves, France

TABLE II - (Vacuum Distillation)

Fraction	Distillation		Cloud Point	Pour Point	Aniline Point	Calc. Cetene No.	Actual Cetene No.
	%	Temp. °F					
Fraction I	0%	365°F	Not found	-72°F	175°F	80	82
	10%	375°F					
	50%	405°F					
	90%	470°F					
	98%	518°F					
Fraction II	0%	405°F	-26°F	-26°F	180°F	82.5	84
	10%	411°F					
	50%	433°F					
	90%	473°F					
	99%	528°F					
Fraction III	0%	455°F	-18°F	7°F	186°F	93	84
	10%	470°F					
	50%	482°F					
	90%	505°F					
	99%	573°F					
Fraction IV	0%	514°F	46°F	37°F	195°F	105	84
	10%	526°F					
	50%	540°F					
	90%	581°F					
	98%	610°F					
Fraction V	0%	562°F	81°F	75°F	220°F	130	87
	10%	575°F					
	50%	608°F					
	90%	665°F					
	97%	680°F					