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For the last fifteen years I have owned a 41' Hatteras Sport Fisherman with twin 853 Detroit Diesels. I have twin 125 gallon tanks and a 7.5 kw Onan generator that pulls from the port tank. I have Racor filters between the tanks and the engines. Each year I would have to change those filters about three times a season. Over the years I used several brands of biocides that did a great job of leaving a residue that looked like black pepper. That residue would clog the filters at the first sign of rough seas and I would find myself in the 180 degree engine room changing filters. No Fun!!!

Last year I installed an Algae-X 500 on the port side and added (4) four ounces of Algae-X 705 catalyst to the port tank. I did nothing to the starboard side. True to form, I had to change the starboard filters (3) three times last season and I have yet to change the port side filters. I have 210 hours and 14 months on the port side filters now. Because I am burning cleaner fuel I have eliminated the dirty transom problem caused by smoking diesel fuel and my fuel consumption has dropped from 22 to about 20 gallons per hour.

This year I added Algae-X to the starboard side and everything is running fine. It appears that the Algae-X is dissolving the suspended particulate matter in order for it to pass through the filter in solution. I hope this helps others with similar problems.

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