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LUKOIL FILLING STATIONS WERE ECO-BRANDED BY THE MOSCOW CITY GOVERNMENT

Yuriy Luzhkov, the Mayor of Moscow presented OAO LUKOIL with the Eco-Brand for Moscow Filling Stations today.

LUKOIL filling stations received the Eco-Brand in accordance with the Decree of the Moscow City Government on the Advisory Council for Introduction of Engine Fuel, Additives and Oils with Improved Environmental Performance.

The Eco-Brand is an additional visual evidence ensuring compliance of the engine fuel and equipment at the filling stations with the environmental standards.

The Eco-Brand is an image of a navy and light blue drop with a maple leaf of green and chlorine, and the word ECO over the leaf and the lettering toplivo (fuel) beneath it.

As reported previously, in February of 2006 LUKOIL launched gasoline production complying with the requirements of the European EURO-3 standard. In April of 2006 LUKOIL launched new motor gasoline with improved performance under the EKTO brand (environmentally friendly fuel): EKTO-92 and EKTO-95. EKTO gasoline characteristics comply with the requirements of the EURO-3 standard and exceed the state requirements.

Utilization of EKTO gasoline provides for safer vehicle operation due to improved fuel combustion, increased engine durability and service life, motor oil change frequency reduction, decrease of the engine noise and vibration, reduction of wear-and-tear of the fuel injection system components and prevention of carbon deposit formation on the injector. Besides, the possibility of the on-board diagnostics system failure is eliminated. Improved environmental characteristics of the EKTO brand gasoline ensure significant decrease of carcinogen, nitrogen and other harmful exhausts.