

Re: useful analogy

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On 1 Sep 2004 01:28:55 -0700,

N. Thornton <bigcat@meeow.co.uk> wrote:

> *Hatunen <hatuunen@cox.net> wrote in message*

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>> *On 31 Aug 2004 14:29:15 -0700, bigcat@meeow.co.uk (N. Thornton)*

>> *wrote:*

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>> *>Runnable?*

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>> *If yo don't mind methanol in your ethanol.*

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> *I didnt think that would be a problem. Would it?*

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> *NT*

Depends, some plastics don't like methanol, but have no problem with ethanol, but for the most part, it's not too big a deal. Methanol has about 70% of the btu's of ethanol, which is another issue, you'd need to rejet the carb, or reprogram the EFI if you significantly change the ratio of methanol-ethanol in the fuel.

The problem with using alcohol as a replacement for petroleum fuel, is the biomass required to produce it in the first place. We use *way* too much gasoline &etc to replace it all with biomass alcohol. Converting some of the "waste" to alcohol or other fuels is a possibility, but it won't *replace* gasoline/diesel use, only supplement it.

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