



Sulfur Off-spec Distillate Fuels in the UAE

Veritas Petroleum Services has tested several fuel oil samples representing distillate fuel deliveries in the UAE (mainly Fujairah and Khor Fakkan), with sulphur content exceeding the maximum level of 0.10% m/m. The sulphur levels of the tested samples measured up to 0.20% m/m, with the sulphur stated on the corresponding Bunker Delivery Notes between 0.080 to 0.095%. The deliveries were made by multiple suppliers from 17 August to 1 September 2023.

The 0.10% m/m Sulfur limitation is applicable in the Emission Control Areas (ECAs), in addition certain local waters may also have similar limitation. This fuel may be used outside the specific areas where this regulation does not apply. It is recommended that the situation is recorded, and the supplier is notified.

This Bunker Alert does not necessarily reflect the overall fuel quality supplied at the subject port but if your ship recently bunkered at this port or intends to do so, please ensure the fuel quality is known before use.

VPS laboratories and regional offices span all time zones and can assist you with further commercial and technical advice if required.

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