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## The Gates Motor



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The Gates motor company has produced a motor that does not run on fossil fuel or on electricity. It comes in a 28 HP and a 5,000 HP version. When linked to an electric generator, the larger motor will produce 2,200 kW.

My name is Adrian Akau. I am a recently retired school teacher, having taught science and math in the public school system, state of Hawaii for the past 36 years. One of the classes I taught was on energy.

Our world should be reaching the half-way mark in easily accessible oil by about the year 2016. Since the rate of oil usage is becoming higher each year, it is unlikely that the oil supply will last as long as the 140 years since the first well was drilled in Pennsylvania. We will become more dependent upon OPEC with all the political pressures and problems that accompany this type of dependency. As the easy oil is consumed, we must look for

ways to extract less accessible oil such as from shale. The added expense will be passed on to the consumer.

The burning of coal is not the answer either because coal cannot supply convenient energy as does oil. An oil-based economy cannot transfer over readily to natural gas; there is not enough natural gas available and it is again, not a convenient and concentrated source as is oil. We also have serious pollution problems with the burning of fossil fuels (natural gas being the exception) but the burning of all fossil fuels have contributed to the serious problem of global warming.

It may take all of 50-80 years to transfer to a non-fossil fuel economy. The transfer must be made slowly so as not to disturb the infrastructure of our economy which is presently based upon fossil fuels. We must gradually create a new infrastructure that is non-fossil fuel dependent.

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The production model of the motor is 24 inches high by 48 inches in length. Connected to a generator it will provide sufficient power for about eight hundred US homes. It is designed to be tough and to last a long time. It uses a high grade airplane synthetic engine oil

to prevent friction and the build up of heat. Only the oil filter needs to be changed. The motor has special needle bearings and portions of the motor are made of high quality steel.

The Gates motor is designed to run 24 hours/day, 365 days/year without incurring any fuel costs. The larger size motor would come in pairs; the spare motor being used as a back-up unit should the regular motor be turned off for maintenance such as to change the oil or in case there should be any problems with the first motor. The company is willing to enter into a contract for maintaining the motor after installation.

The Gates motor represents a major breakthrough in motor design technology and provides practical solutions to environmental and fuel conservation concerns. **Finally, a completely mechanical motor has been developed.** It can deliver the power needed in a wide variety of service applications without any waste products or emissions to adversely affect the environment. This revolutionary new motor utilizes spring power technology. Unlike conventional motors which must reach a maximum rpm level before the desired horsepower, the Gates motor provides maximum horsepower instantly by virtue of the torque stored in the springs.

**The basic operating principle of the Gates motor involves a series of springs configured to provide the required motor rotation and power delivery.** Consider, if you will, the operating principle of a grandfather clock. Once the clock is wound, it continues to operate until it runs down and stops. The springs must then be rewound so it will operate again. Suppose the clock is continually being rewound

as it operates. Then the clock would run continuously. This condition is what forms the basis for the operating principle of the Gates motor. The motor incorporates a unique spring configuration to provide rotation. The springs inside the motor are wound and preset at the factory at the time the motor is assembled. The amount of torque wound into the springs at the factory determines the horsepower of the motor. Inside the motor are a multiple of springs positioned horizontally in a circular arrangement. As the motor operates, the springs are unwound a set number of degrees. A double ratchet system at one end of the motor rewinds the degrees used back into the springs. As the springs are unwinding, **the power generated from all the springs reset each spring (one at a time) during each revolution of the motor.** It is this reset action that produces and delivers power from the springs to the flywheel located at the opposite end of the motor. The flywheel serves to ensure the smooth operation of the motor and to convert the springs into useable horsepower. The smaller motor has 50 foot pounds of torque at a shaft speed of 3000 RPM and will produce 28 HP. The HP can be altered by factory adjustment. The speed of the engine is controlled by a hydraulic pump which provides pressure upon the power shaft.

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*Editor: We tried to get the video of this device operation from Gates Motor Co., but after a long consideration it was not provided since the authors are competitor-conscious.*

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