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SUSTAINABLE WINTER SERVICE FOR ROAD USERS

Tanker for hot de-icing of roads and highways Stefano Nervo

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MAIN CONTEXT

the Maintenance Centers situated along roads and highways in Italy are equipped with brine solution storage/self-preparation facilities



In both cases thermal properties are completely lost



ADDING THERMAL AND MECHANICAL ACTION

Objectives:

1.obtain the highest efficacy and rapidity in melting ice and chunks of compressed snow on the road 2.perform production and distribution of de-icing solution with only one tanker equipped with one motor-driven pump 3.use one motor-driven pump with a reduced power with respect to the requirements of actual melting systems 4.facilitating maintenance on bridges and viaducts (reduced thermal inertia of the structures)



A NEW TANKER FOR HOT DE-ICING OF ROADS AND HIGHWAYS

It looks like a normal brine spreader (therefore useful for normal prevention) but:

It's able to exploit the thermal action derivative from the production of the solution

It adds to the thermal and chemical action a mechanical action derivative from the new patented sprinkling bar



THE TANKER DIAGRAM



THERMAL ACTION

Calcium chloride solution will be produced in ~10minutes during the the trip, arriving to the site to be treated with the highest possible temperature (40/50°C)



MECHANICAL ACTION

The mechanical action is performed by a special sprinkling bar composed by 47 rectilinear jet nozzles.

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ECONOMIC AND ECOLOGICAL ADVANTAGES

- 1. reduction in the labour cost for minor road maintenance
- 2. reduction in mileage costs of the maintenance vehicles
- 3. substantial reduction in the cost of salt
- 4. reduction in the cost of maintenance of road and highways structures
- 5. reduction in time for towing vehicles
- 6. notable reduction in harmful exhaust emissions produced by maintenance vehicles
- 7. significant reduction in pollution caused by the distributed salt



THE SPRINKLING TANKER



