MAN Hybrid EcoAux is the new solution to save energy, emissions and running hours for auxiliary engines on board of a vessel. The system comprises an energy storage system (ESS) and the related power electronics, that together act as a “Solid State Generator” (SSG). This reduces the number of required auxiliary engines while at the same time providing safe and reliable electric power supply. Payback times can be as low as 0 years.

Electric power generation on board a vessel is based on redundant sources. In order to guarantee a safe and stable supply, especially during e.g. maneuvering or cargo handling, at least two of these sources are running in parallel, so that in case of a failure, the remaining one prevents a total loss of electric power. This often leads to two or more engines operating at only low load outside their optimum, thus leading to increased fuel consumption.

Replacing one of the auxiliary engines by a so called Solid State Generator (SSG) allows to run in single-genset mode. In case of a failure, the SSG jumps in and bridges the time until the next genset has been started up (failure ride-through). Instead of operating two auxiliary engines with poor efficiency, only one is running with high loading. This setup will save fuel and maintenance cost, and will also protect the environment.

**Main components**
- Hybrid EcoAux system
  - Energy Storage System (Battery)
  - Bi-directional Active Front End converter
  - Isolation transformer
  - Filter
  - Energy Management System (EMS)
  - Interface to the vessel’s power management system

**Typical applications**
- LNG carriers
- Geared Bulkers
- Product Tankers
- Container Feeder Ships
Less OpEx and less CO₂

Benefits

Functionally, a reduced number of auxiliary engines plus SSG equals with a conventional layout of auxiliary power. But there are vital savings with regard to space, weight, running hours, energy consumption, emissions of CO₂ and GHG (CH₄, in case of a DF engine). The installation of MAN Hybrid EcoAux can even be CapEx-neutral.

Example business cases:

**LNG Carrier**
- Conventional layout: 4 x 6L35/44DF
  - Operation sea-going: 2 engines @ 51% load, Running hours p.a.: 12,800
  - Benefits: Spinning reserve for 10 min., Fewer and smaller engines, Energy savings of 8% p.a., Saving of 6,400 rh p.a., Saving of CO₂ and other emissions

- MAN Hybrid EcoAux: 3 x 7L35/44DF + 405 kWh SSG (5C)
  - Operation sea-going: 1 engine @ 88% load, Running hours p.a.: 6,400

**Geared Bulker**
- Conventional layout: 3 x 5L23/30H
  - Operation maneuvering / crane operation: 2 engines @ 40% load, Running hours p.a.: 2,628

- MAN Hybrid EcoAux: 2 x 5L23/30H + 135 kWh SSG (5C)
  - Operation maneuvering / crane operation: 1 engine @ 80% load, Running hours p.a.: 1,314

On a large merchant ship, instead of 4 x auxiliary engines, 3 x auxiliary engines + 1 x SSG are installed. Depending on the size of the battery in the SSG, total system CapEx can be equal to four aux. engines or slightly higher. The battery size also determines the achievable annual OpEx savings, resulting in payback times between 0 and 2 years.

In either case, the financial benefit and the positive impact on environment is significant.

**MAN Hybrid EcoAux**

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