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LILLIPAD MARINE PRESENTS THE ALL NEW: LILLIPAD MARINE FUNNEL

Following the companies debut and Innovation Award WIN in 2015 LilliPad Marine returns to Miami with another Innovative Marine Product

LilliPad Marine Funnel is the latest advancement in dock fueling equipment allowing users to easily transfer fuel from portable fuel containers (gasoline cans) into watercraft at a private dock. LilliPad Marine Funnel has filled a user gap created by current EPA regulations on portable fuel containers and fuel intake systems on boats. LilliPad Marine Funnel also addresses an overall industry disparity created by standard funnels and other fuel transfer products that do not fit the unique needs of the marine industry.

The current EPA regulations are based on requirements started in California by the California Air Resources Board

(CARB) in 2000 and updated in 2007. Since January 1, 2009 all new Portable Fuel Containers manufactured or imported and sold in the United States must be compliant.

The regulations for Personal Fuel Containers require:

- A single, self-venting opening for filling and pouring with no separate vents or openings.
- A treated can body for minimal permeation of fuels.
- Automatic closure, meaning a nozzle which automatically springs to the closed position when not pouring.
- Childproof features as designated by the Children's Gasoline Burn Prevention Act.

LilliPad Marine owner, Ann Schaub, stated, "Although regulations on gas cans have aided in preventing the



release of VOC's (volatile organic compounds) from permeating through containers and accidental spills from open containers, many would argue that the new requirements cause more spills during the process of fueling. Many users have found that the childproof features require both hands to simply open the valve for fuel to flow which logistically creates difficulty in managing the can, resulting in spills. The use of both hands also eliminates the ability for a single user to utilize a standard funnel. Most boaters would agree that this issue is exacerbated when attempting to fuel a boat or PWC that is positioned in or over the water."

"EPA regulations aimed at boat manufacturers to prevent spit-back when fueling at a gas station have also created problems when a user attempts to fuel boats directly from a gas can," concluded, Mrs. Schaub.

The regulation for Boat Fuel Fills (EPA regulation 1060.101) require:

• Manufacturers must design and build equipment such that operators can reasonably be expected to fill the fuel tank without spit-back or spillage during the refueling event.

Manufacturers commonly comply by installing a disk or restrictive device inside the filler neck which prevents fuel spit-back when fueling with a common gas pump nozzle at a gas station.

LilliPad Marine Funnel addresses these issues with an innovative product designed specifically for the marine industry. The result is a positive outcome for the marine environment as well as a user friendly and cost effective way for boat owners to fuel watercraft at their private dock.

The LilliPad Marine Funnel mounts directly to a dock or boat lift and offers an aesthetically pleasing and proprietary cabinet design. Fabricated with a modular mounting system, LilliPad Marine Funnel can be moved to multiple mount locations by installing additional mount brackets, as needed. With the funnel mounted on a dock or lift, a user is able to utilize both hands to lift and stabilize their gas can. Once elevated, the gas can is easily held in the correct position utilizing LilliPad's "cut-out" design and by transferring the weight of the can to the mounted funnel. Fuel flows freely into the large mouth of the LilliPad Marine Funnel's reservoir and any possible splashing is captured by the funnel's screen system. LilliPad's custom, translucent, fuel-rated, kink-free, 6' or 10.5' hose allows the user to easily reach a vessels fuel fill from the mount location and to monitor fuel flow. The funnel's machined, aluminum-nozzle is designed to fit the EPA fuel fills precisely, will not spark when struck against other materials, and includes a stainless-steel ball valve allowing a user to adjust the speed of flow and/or to manually start or stop flow. As the LilliPad Marine Funnel is not designed to contain fuel, the lid is engineered to shield the funnel reservoir from contaminants while also allowing excess fuel vapors to escape. Ultimately, LilliPad Marine Funnel makes transferring fuel in a marine environment quick, safe, and hassle free.

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ABOUT LLILLIPAD MARINE

Founded in 2012, Lilli Pad, LLC (DBA LilliPad Marine) is committed to the production of superior quality marine products and excellent customer service. The company's flagship product, the LilliPad Diving Board, hit the market in May 2014 and has since won numerous awards including "Best New Product for 2015" at the Northern Wholesale Supershow and a prestigious "Innovation Award" at the 2015 Miami International Boat Show. LilliPad Marine has quickly gained a foothold in the marine industry with a distribution network of more than a dozen marine wholesale distributors, multiple OEM's and over 300 dealers, globally.

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