



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**  
**The Newport International Boat Show**  
**Newport, Rhode Island**

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## **Westerbeke 17.0 EDE D-NET™ Nominated For Best New Diesel Generator At Newport International Boat Show**

Taunton, MA...The Newport International Boat Show is, traditionally, the first show of the new boat season at which manufacturers launch their new sail and power boats, as well as new boating products. Recognizing this, the Show has long identified those companies that bring their new product introductions to Newport. And, for the past few years, the best of the new boats and products have been selected in conjunction with *Cruising World*, *Sailing World* and *MotorBoating* magazines. Nominees to this year's *Newport For New Products* program were announced recently and include the **Westerbeke 17.0 EDE diesel generator from Westerbeke Corporation.**

The **Westerbeke 17.0 EDE D-NET™** is powered by a compact, lightweight, TIER IV, 1.8 liter, 3-cylinder engine. Westerbeke D-NET™ marine generators are the first to be NMEA 2000® certified. Its slow-RPM operation, newly designed air intake silencer and advanced engineering make this a quiet machine. Electronic governing virtually eliminates “droop” when electrical loads are applied or removed. The 17.0 EDE meets all EPA, CARB and CE emissions requirements and is easily field-convertible between 60 and 50 hertz (13.5 kW at 50 hertz) for worldwide acceptance. The 17.0 EDE is offered with either a standard Westerlink™ or an optional NMEA 2000® compliant databus. NMEA 2000® is a network protocol for shipboard communications, developed under National Marine Electronics Association (NMEA) standards. D-NET™ with the NMEA 2000® databus allows boatbuilders and their customers to significantly reduce the cost, weight and space normally required to run cables throughout a vessel. All certified NMEA 2000® electronics can facilitate communications over a shared digital databus cable using simple T-connectors to build a network.

One of the five largest in-water boat shows in the country, the Newport International Boat Show covers over 15 acres along America's Cup Avenue in Newport, Rhode Island. More than 850 exhibitors with over 700 boats ranging in size from 16 to 85 feet are expected to be on display, including express cruising yachts, racing sailboats, ocean-going trawlers at *PassageMaker* magazine's TrawlerPort, a Multihull Lagoon, plus DownEast styles, sport fishing boats, runabouts, kayaks, canoes and inflatables. In addition, there are engines, sails, equipment, safety products, electronics plus thousands of accessories and marine services, as well as seminars, demonstrations and workshops.

The Show runs from Thursday, September 17 through Sunday, September 20. Advance discount tickets are available on line thru September 16th. Tickets purchased at the show on Thursday, VIP Day, are \$27.00...\$24 on-line. On Friday, Saturday and Sunday the tickets are \$18.00...\$15 on-line. Children under 12 are free every day when accompanied by an adult. For more information, call 401-846-1115 or 800-582-7846 or visit our web site at [www.newportboatshow.com](http://www.newportboatshow.com).

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