

(54) A method for the preparation of a uniform dispersion of a friable solid fuel, oil and water.

(5) A uniform dispersion of a friable solid fuel, e.g. coal, oil and water is prepared by grinding the solid fuel in a medium consisting essentially of a major proportion of oil and a minor proportion of water in the absence of added dispersant or emulsifier. Air is excluded during the grinding operation. The solid fuel is present in amount 15 to 55% by weight of the dispersion and is ground until the mean particle size of the solid fuel is reduced to a value in the range 1 to 15 micron.

The water enhances the stability of the dispersion.



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