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100 Million Miles on the Seaboard

In October 1938, the Seaboard Air Line received its first General Motors Diesel unit and became the first railroad in the South to adopt Diesel power for mainline service. This unit and subsequent General Motors Diesels power the great "Silver Fleet," consisting of the "Orange Blossom Specials," the "Silver Meteor," the "Silver Comet" and the "Silver Star." The result: considerably faster schedules and new standards of luxurious rail travel from New York and Washington to Florida. Today, the Seaboard has in service 117 General Motors Diesel units which have accumulated more than 100,000,000 miles in passenger, freight and switcher service.

