

**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
AIR QUALITY DIVISION**

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**PERMIT TO INSTALL  
50-04A**



**ISSUED TO**  
Merit Energy Company

**LOCATED AT**  
Bear Lake 22 Central Processing Facility  
9536 Nine Mile Road  
Bear Lake, Michigan



**IN THE COUNTY OF**  
Manistee

**STATE REGISTRATION NUMBER  
B9136**

The Air Quality Division has approved this Permit to Install, pursuant to the delegation of authority from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality. This permit is hereby issued in accordance with and subject to Section 5505(1) of Article II, Chapter I, Part 55, Air Pollution Control, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended. Pursuant to Air Pollution Control Rule 336.1201(1), this permit constitutes the permittee's authority to install the identified emission unit(s) in accordance with all administrative rules of the Department and the attached conditions. Operation of the emission unit(s) identified in this Permit to Install is allowed pursuant to Rule 336.1201(6).

DATE OF RECEIPT OF ALL INFORMATION REQUIRED BY RULE 203: <b>August 26, 2005</b>	
DATE PERMIT TO INSTALL APPROVED: <b>September 12, 2005</b>	SIGNATURE:
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**Common Abbreviations / Acronyms**

<b>Common Acronyms</b>		<b>Pollutant/Measurement Abbreviations</b>	
AQD	Air Quality Division	Btu	British Thermal Unit
ANSI	American National Standards Institute	°C	Degrees Celsius
BACT	Best Available Control Technology	CO	Carbon Monoxide
CAA	Clean Air Act	dscf	Dry standard cubic foot
CEM	Continuous Emission Monitoring	dscm	Dry standard cubic meter
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations	°F	Degrees Fahrenheit
COM	Continuous Opacity Monitoring	gr	Grains
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency	Hg	Mercury
EU	Emission Unit	hr	Hour
FG	Flexible Group	H <sub>2</sub> S	Hydrogen Sulfide
GACS	Gallon of Applied Coating Solids	hp	Horsepower
GC	General Condition	lb	Pound
HAP	Hazardous Air Pollutant	m	Meter
HVLP	High Volume Low Pressure *	mg	Milligram
ID	Identification	mm	Millimeter
LAER	Lowest Achievable Emission Rate	MM	Million
MACT	Maximum Achievable Control Technology	MW	Megawatts
MAERS	Michigan Air Emissions Reporting System	NO <sub>x</sub>	Oxides of Nitrogen
MAP	Malfunction Abatement Plan	PM	Particulate Matter
MDEQ	Michigan Department of Environmental Quality	PM-10	Particulate Matter less than 10 microns diameter
MIOSHA	Michigan Occupational Safety & Health Administration	pph	Pound per hour
MSDS	Material Safety Data Sheet	ppm	Parts per million
NESHAP	National Emission Standard for Hazardous Air Pollutants	ppmv	Parts per million by volume
NSPS	New Source Performance Standards	ppmw	Parts per million by weight
NSR	New Source Review	psia	Pounds per square inch absolute
PS	Performance Specification	psig	Pounds per square inch gauge
PSD	Prevention of Significant Deterioration	scf	Standard cubic feet
PTE	Permanent Total Enclosure	sec	Seconds
PTI	Permit to Install	SO <sub>2</sub>	Sulfur Dioxide
RACT	Reasonable Available Control Technology	THC	Total Hydrocarbons
ROP	Renewable Operating Permit	tpy	Tons per year
SC	Special Condition Number	µg	Microgram
SCR	Selective Catalytic Reduction	VOC	Volatile Organic Compounds
SRN	State Registration Number	yr	Year
TAC	Toxic Air Contaminant		
VE	Visible Emissions		

\* For High Volume Low Pressure (HVLP) applicators, the pressure measured at the HVLP gun air cap shall not exceed ten (10) pounds per square inch gauge (psig).

### GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. The process or process equipment covered by this permit shall not be reconstructed, relocated, or modified, unless a Permit to Install authorizing such action is issued by the Department, except to the extent such action is exempt from the Permit to Install requirements by any applicable rule. **[R336.1201(1)]**
2. If the installation, construction, reconstruction, relocation, or modification of the equipment for which this permit has been approved has not commenced within 18 months, or has been interrupted for 18 months, this permit shall become void unless otherwise authorized by the Department. Furthermore, the permittee or the designated authorized agent shall notify the Department via the Supervisor, Permit Section, Air Quality Division, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 30260, Lansing, Michigan 48909, if it is decided not to pursue the installation, construction, reconstruction, relocation, or modification of the equipment allowed by this Permit to Install. **[R336.1201(4)]**
3. If this Permit to Install is issued for a process or process equipment located at a stationary source that is not subject to the Renewable Operating Permit program requirements pursuant to R336.1210, operation of the process or process equipment is allowed by this permit if the equipment performs in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Permit to Install. **[R336.1201(6)(b)]**
4. The Department may, after notice and opportunity for a hearing, revoke this Permit to Install if evidence indicates the process or process equipment is not performing in accordance with the terms and conditions of this permit or is violating the Department's rules or the Clean Air Act. **[R336.1201(8), Section 5510 of Act 451, PA 1994]**
5. The terms and conditions of this Permit to Install shall apply to any person or legal entity that now or hereafter owns or operates the process or process equipment at the location authorized by this Permit to Install. If the new owner or operator submits a written request to the Department pursuant to R336.1219 and the Department approves the request, this permit will be amended to reflect the change of ownership or operational control. The request must include all of the information required by subrules (1)(a), (b), and (c) of R336.1219. The written request shall be sent to the District Supervisor, Air Quality Division, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality. **[R336.1219]**
6. Operation of this equipment shall not result in the emission of an air contaminant which causes injurious effects to human health or safety, animal life, plant life of significant economic value, or property, or which causes unreasonable interference with the comfortable enjoyment of life and property. **[R336.1901]**
7. The permittee shall provide notice of an abnormal condition, start-up, shutdown, or malfunction that results in emissions of a hazardous or toxic air pollutant which continue for more than one hour in excess of any applicable standard or limitation, or emissions of any air contaminant continuing for more than two hours in excess of an applicable standard or limitation, as required in Rule 912, to the Department. The notice shall be provided not later than two business days after start-up, shutdown, or discovery of the abnormal condition or malfunction. Written reports, if required, must be filed with the Department within 10 days after the start-up or shutdown occurred, within 10 days after the abnormal conditions or malfunction has been corrected, or within 30 days of discovery of the abnormal condition or malfunction, whichever is first. The written reports shall include all of the information required in Rule 912(5). **[R336.1912]**
8. Approval of this permit does not exempt the permittee from complying with any future applicable requirements which may be promulgated under Part 55 of 1994 PA 451, as amended or the Federal Clean Air Act.

9. Approval of this permit does not obviate the necessity of obtaining such permits or approvals from other units of government as required by law.
10. Operation of this equipment may be subject to other requirements of Part 55 of 1994 PA 451, as amended and the rules promulgated thereunder.
11. Except as provided in subrules (2) and (3) or unless the special conditions of the Permit to Install include an alternate opacity limit established pursuant to subrule (4) of R336.1301, the permittee shall not cause or permit to be discharged into the outer air from a process or process equipment a visible emission of density greater than the most stringent of the following. The grading of visible emissions shall be determined in accordance with R336.1303. **[R336.1301]**
  - a) A six-minute average of 20 percent opacity, except for one six-minute average per hour of not more than 27 percent opacity.
  - b) A visible emission limit specified by an applicable federal new source performance standard.
  - c) A visible emission limit specified as a condition of this permit to install.
12. Collected air contaminants shall be removed as necessary to maintain the equipment at the required operating efficiency. The collection and disposal of air contaminants shall be performed in a manner so as to minimize the introduction of contaminants to the outer air. Transport of collected air contaminants in Priority I and II areas requires the use of material handling methods specified in R336.1370(2). **[R336.1370]**
13. The Department may require the permittee to conduct acceptable performance tests, at the permittee's expense, in accordance with R336.2001 and R336.2003, under any of the conditions listed in R336.2001. **[R336.2001]**

**SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

**Emission Unit Identification**

<b>Emission Unit ID</b>	<b>Emission Unit Description</b>	<b>Stack Identification</b>
EU-BL22DEHY	Glycol dehydration system processing gas from the Niagaren formation; contains a 200,000 Btu/hr natural gas fired burner	N/A
EU-BL22COMP1	Natural gas fired reciprocating engine	SV-BL22COMP1
EU-BL22COMP2	Natural gas fired reciprocating engine	SV-BL22COMP2
Changes to the equipment described in this table are subject to the requirements of R336.1201, except as allowed by R336.1278 to R336.1290.		

**Flexible Group Identification**

<b>Flexible Group ID</b>	<b>Emission Units Included in Flexible Group</b>	<b>Stack Identification</b>
FG-BL22COMPS	EU-BL22COMP1 and EU-BL22COMP2	NA
FG-FACILITY	All process equipment at the facility including equipment covered by other permits, grandfathered equipment and exempt equipment.	NA

**The following conditions apply to: EU-BL22DEHY**

**Equipment**

- 1.1 The permittee shall not operate EU-BL22DEHY unless the flash tank is installed, maintained, and operated in a satisfactory manner. [R336.1205(1)(a) and (3), R336.1225, R336.1702(a), R336.1910]
- 1.2 The permittee shall not operate EU-BL22DEHY unless the condenser is installed, maintained, and operated in a satisfactory manner. [R336.1205(1)(a) and (3), R336.1225, R336.1702(a), R336.1910]

**The following conditions apply to: FG-BL22COMPS**

**Process/Operational Limits**

- 2.1 No later than 60 days after issuance of this permit, the permittee shall submit to the AQD District Supervisor, for review and approval, a malfunction abatement/preventative maintenance plan for FG-BL22COMPS. After approval of the malfunction abatement/preventative maintenance plan by the AQD District Supervisor, the permittee shall not operate FG-BL22COMPS unless the malfunction abatement/preventative maintenance plan, or an alternate plan approved by the AQD District Supervisor, is implemented and maintained. The plan shall incorporate procedures recommended by the equipment manufacturer as well as incorporating standard industry practices. The plan shall include procedures for maintaining and operating in a satisfactory manner FG-BL22COMPS, add-on air pollution control device, or monitoring equipment during malfunction events, and a program for corrective action for such events. If the malfunction abatement plan fails to address or inadequately addresses an event that meets the characteristics of a malfunction at the time the plan is initially developed, the owner or operator shall revise the malfunction abatement plan within 45 days after such an event occurs and submit the revised plan for approval to the AQD District Supervisor. Should the AQD determine the malfunction abatement/preventative maintenance plan to be inadequate, the District Supervisor may request modification of the plan to address those inadequacies. [R336.1205(3), R336.1225, R336.1702(a), R336.1910, R336.1911]

- 2.2 The permittee shall not operate FG-BL22COMPS without each 3-way catalyst for more than 200 hours per engine per year consistent with the malfunction abatement/preventative maintenance plan (pursuant to SC 2.1) or after an engine change-out occurs (pursuant to SC 2.6). The hours per year limit is based on a 12-month rolling time period as determined at the end of each calendar month. **[R336.1205(3), R336.1225, R336.1702(a)]**

**Equipment**

- 2.3 The permittee shall not operate FG-BL22COMPS unless each 3-way catalyst is installed, maintained, and operated in a satisfactory manner, except as specified in SC 2.2. Satisfactory operation includes performing the manufacturer’s recommended maintenance on the 3-way catalyst and operating in conjunction with the malfunction abatement/preventative maintenance specified in SC 2.1. If the permittee changes-out one or more of these engines with engine(s) that achieve equivalent emission rates, or lower emission rates, without add-on control equipment (pursuant to SC 2.6), this condition does not apply for that engine or engines. **[R336.1205(3), R336.1225, R336.1702(a), R336.1910]**

**Testing**

- 2.4 Verification of NOx and CO emission rates from each engine included in FG-BL22COMPS, by testing at owner's expense, in accordance with Department requirements, may be required upon request by the AQD District Supervisor. No less than 60 days prior to testing, a complete test plan shall be submitted to the AQD. The final plan must be approved by the AQD prior to testing. Verification of emission rates includes the submittal of a complete report of the test results to the AQD within 60 days following the last date of the test. **[R336.1205(3), R336.2001, R336.2003, R336.2004]**

**Monitoring**

- 2.5 The permittee shall monitor, in a satisfactory manner, the natural gas usage from each engine included in FG-BL22COMPS on a continuous basis. **[R336.1205(3)]**

**Recordkeeping/Reporting/Notification**

- 2.6 The permittee shall maintain a log of all significant maintenance activities conducted and all repairs made to each engine included in FG-BL22COMPS and any associated air pollution control device(s). This log shall be kept on file at a location approved by the District Supervisor for a period of at least five years and made available to the Department upon request. If any engine included in FG-BL22COMPS is replaced with an equivalent emitting, or less emitting engine, the permittee shall notify the AQD District Supervisor of such change-out and submit acceptable emissions data to show that the alternate engine is equivalent emitting or less emitting. **[R336.1205(3), R336.1225, R336.1702(a), R336.1911]**
- 2.7 The permittee shall keep, in a satisfactory manner, monthly and previous 12-month hours that any engine included in FG-BL22COMPS operated without the 3-way catalyst. All records shall be kept on file at a location approved by the District Supervisor for a period of at least five years and made available to the Department upon request. **[R336.1205(3), R336.1225, R336.1702(a)]**
- 2.8 The permittee shall keep, in a satisfactory manner, monthly fuel use records for each engine included in FG-BL22COMPS, as required by SC 2.5. All records shall be kept on file at a location approved by the District Supervisor for a period of at least five years and made available to the Department upon request. **[R336.1205(3)]**

**Stack/Vent Restrictions**

	<b>Stack &amp; Vent ID</b>	<b>Maximum Diameter (inches)</b>	<b>Minimum Height Above Ground Level (feet)</b>	<b>Applicable Requirement</b>
2.9a	SV-BL22COMP1	12	20	R336.1225
2.9b	SV-BL22COMP2	12	16	R336.1225
The exhaust gases shall be discharged unobstructed vertically upwards to the ambient air.				

**The following conditions apply to: FG-FACILITY**

**Emission Limits**

	<b>Pollutant</b>	<b>Equipment</b>	<b>Limit</b>	<b>Time Period</b>	<b>Testing/ Monitoring Method</b>	<b>Applicable Requirement</b>
3.1a	NOx	FG-FACILITY	89 tpy	12-month rolling time period as determined at the end of each calendar month	SC 3.5 and Appendix A	R336.1205(3)
3.1a	CO	FG-FACILITY	89 tpy	12-month rolling time period as determined at the end of each calendar month	SC 3.5 and Appendix A	R336.1205(3)

**Material Limits**

3.2 The permittee shall only burn sweet natural gas in FG-FACILITY. **[R336.1205(3)]**

**Testing**

3.3 Verification of H2S and/or sulfur content of the natural gas burned in FG-FACILITY may be required upon request by the AQD District Supervisor. This condition is necessary to ensure compliance with SC 3.2. **[R336.1205(3)]**

**Recordkeeping / Reporting / Notification**

3.4 All required calculations shall be completed in a format acceptable to the AQD District Supervisor and made available by the 15th day of the calendar month, for the previous calendar month, unless otherwise specified in any recordkeeping, reporting or notification special condition. **[R336.1205]**

3.5 The permittee shall keep, in a satisfactory manner, monthly and previous 12-month NOx and CO emission calculation records for FG-FACILITY, as required by SC 4.1a, 4.1b and Appendix A. All records shall be kept on file for a period of at least five years and made available to the Department upon request. **[R336.1205(3)]**

**APPENDIX A**  
**Procedures for Calculating Facility NO<sub>x</sub> and CO Emissions**

Compliance with the NO<sub>x</sub> and CO emission limit will be demonstrated by keeping track of all fuel usage for all equipment using such fuel at this facility and multiplying that fuel usage by an equipment specific emission factor. The emission factors are typically expressed as a mass weight of pollutant per unit of fuel.

The permittee shall only use emission factors from equipment vendor guarantees or from source specific testing (stack testing) for FG-BL22COMPS. For all other fuel burning equipment the permittee shall use emission factors contained in the most recent AP-42 (Compilation of Air Pollutant Emission Factors) or the most recent FIRE (Factor Information Retrieval) database if vendor or stack data is not available. If other emission source values are used, the permittee shall obtain the approval of the district supervisor before using the emission factors to calculate emissions.

The permittee shall document the source and date of origin of the emission factors used in the calculations.