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RE: FINAL AIR POLLUTION PERMIT-TO-INSTALL AND OPERATE

Facility ID: 0369000051  
Permit Number: P0110729  
Permit Type: Administrative Modification  
County: Putnam

Dear Permit Holder:

Enclosed please find a final Air Pollution Permit-to-Install and Operate (PTIO) which will allow you to install, modify, and/or operate the described emissions unit(s) in the manner indicated in the permit. Because this permit contains conditions and restrictions, please read it very carefully. Please complete a survey at [www.epa.ohio.gov/dapc/permitsurvey.aspx](http://www.epa.ohio.gov/dapc/permitsurvey.aspx) and give us feedback on your permitting experience. We value your opinion.

The issuance of this PTI is a final action of the Director and may be appealed to the Environmental Review Appeals Commission pursuant to Section 3745.04 of the Ohio Revised Code. The appeal must be in writing and set forth the action complained of and the grounds upon which the appeal is based. The appeal must be filed with the Commission within thirty (30) days after notice of the Director's action. The appeal must be accompanied by a filing fee of \$70.00, made payable to "Ohio Treasurer Josh Mandel," which the Commission, in its discretion, may reduce if by affidavit you demonstrate that payment of the full amount of the fee would cause extreme hardship. Notice of the filing of the appeal shall be filed with the Director within three (3) days of filing with the Commission. Ohio EPA requests that a copy of the appeal be served upon the Ohio Attorney General's Office, Environmental Enforcement Section. An appeal may be filed with the Environmental Review Appeals Commission at the following address:

Environmental Review Appeals Commission  
309 South Fourth Street, Room 222  
Columbus, OH 43215

If you have any questions, please contact Ohio EPA DAPC, Northwest District Office at (419)352-8461 or the Office of Compliance Assistance and Pollution Prevention at (614) 644-3469. This permit can be accessed electronically on the DAPCWeb page, [www.epa.ohio.gov/dapc](http://www.epa.ohio.gov/dapc), by clicking the "Issued Air Pollution Control Permits" link.

Sincerely,

Michael W. Ahern, Manager  
Permit Issuance and Data Management Section, DAPC

Cc: Ohio EPA-NWDO

Certified Mail

No	TOXIC REVIEW
No	PSD
No	SYNTHETIC MINOR TO AVOID MAJOR NSR
No	CEMS
No	MACT/GACT
No	NSPS
No	NESHAPS
No	NETTING
No	MAJOR NON-ATTAINMENT
No	MODELING SUBMITTED
No	SYNTHETIC MINOR TO AVOID TITLE V
No	FEDERALLY ENFORCABLE PTIO (FEPTIO)
No	SYNTHETIC MINOR TO AVOID MAJOR GHG





**FINAL**

**Division of Air Pollution Control  
Permit-to-Install and Operate  
for  
POET Biorefining - Leipsic**

Facility ID:	0369000051
Permit Number:	P0110729
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Issued:	8/23/2012
Effective:	8/23/2012
Expiration:	6/22/2014





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for
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## Authorization

Facility ID: 0369000051  
Application Number(s): M0001851  
Permit Number: P0110729  
Permit Description: Agency-initiated administrative modification of PTIO P0107812 for emissions units P002 through P006, P901 and P902. The facility is transitioning from a synthetic minor facility to a Title V facility and as such will be reporting quarterly on the baghouse operational restriction. This modification will relieve the facility from also reporting visible emission checks quarterly.

Permit Type: Administrative Modification  
Permit Fee: \$0.00  
Issue Date: 8/23/2012  
Effective Date: 8/23/2012  
Expiration Date: 6/22/2014  
Permit Evaluation Report (PER) Annual Date: Jan 1 - Dec 31, Due Feb 15

This document constitutes issuance to:

POET Biorefining - Leipsic  
3875 State Route 65  
Leipsic, OH 45856

of a Permit-to-Install and Operate for the emissions unit(s) identified on the following page.

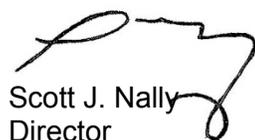
Ohio EPA District Office or local air agency responsible for processing and administering your permit:

Ohio EPA DAPC, Northwest District Office  
347 North Dunbridge Road  
Bowling Green, OH 43402  
(419)352-8461

The above named entity is hereby granted this Permit-to-Install and Operate for the air contaminant source(s) (emissions unit(s)) listed in this section pursuant to Chapter 3745-31 of the Ohio Administrative Code. Issuance of this permit does not constitute expressed or implied approval or agreement that, if constructed or modified in accordance with the plans included in the application, the described emissions unit(s) will operate in compliance with applicable State and federal laws and regulations.

This permit is granted subject to the conditions attached hereto.

Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

  
Scott J. Nally  
Director



## Authorization (continued)

**Permit Number:** P0110729  
**Permit Description:** Agency-initiated administrative modification of PTIO P0107812 for emissions units P002 through P006, P901 and P902. The facility is transitioning from a synthetic minor facility to a Title V facility and as such will be reporting quarterly on the baghouse operational restriction. This modification will relieve the facility from also reporting visible emission checks quarterly.

Permits for the following Emissions Unit(s) or groups of Emissions Units are in this document as indicated below:

**Emissions Unit ID:** **P901**  
 Company Equipment ID: grain receiving  
 Superseded Permit Number: P0107812  
 General Permit Category and Type: Not Applicable

**Emissions Unit ID:** **P902**  
 Company Equipment ID: DDCS loadout  
 Superseded Permit Number: P0107812  
 General Permit Category and Type: Not Applicable

**Group Name:      Hammermills**

<b>Emissions Unit ID:</b>	<b>P002</b>
Company Equipment ID:	hammermill no. 1
Superseded Permit Number:	P0107812
General Permit Category and Type:	Not Applicable
<b>Emissions Unit ID:</b>	<b>P003</b>
Company Equipment ID:	hammermill no. 2
Superseded Permit Number:	P0107812
General Permit Category and Type:	Not Applicable
<b>Emissions Unit ID:</b>	<b>P004</b>
Company Equipment ID:	hammermill no. 3
Superseded Permit Number:	P0107812
General Permit Category and Type:	Not Applicable
<b>Emissions Unit ID:</b>	<b>P005</b>
Company Equipment ID:	hammermill no. 4
Superseded Permit Number:	P0107812
General Permit Category and Type:	Not Applicable
<b>Emissions Unit ID:</b>	<b>P006</b>
Company Equipment ID:	hammermill no. 5
Superseded Permit Number:	P0107812
General Permit Category and Type:	Not Applicable

## **A. Standard Terms and Conditions**

**1. What does this permit-to-install and operate ("PTIO") allow me to do?**

This permit allows you to install and operate the emissions unit(s) identified in this PTIO. You must install and operate the unit(s) in accordance with the application you submitted and all the terms and conditions contained in this PTIO, including emission limits and those terms that ensure compliance with the emission limits (for example, operating, recordkeeping and monitoring requirements).

**2. Who is responsible for complying with this permit?**

The person identified on the "Authorization" page, above, is responsible for complying with this permit until the permit is revoked, terminated, or transferred. "Person" means a person, firm, corporation, association, or partnership. The words "you," "your," or "permittee" refer to the "person" identified on the "Authorization" page above.

The permit applies only to the emissions unit(s) identified in the permit. If you install or modify any other equipment that requires an air permit, you must apply for an additional PTIO(s) for these sources.

**3. What records must I keep under this permit?**

You must keep all records required by this permit, including monitoring data, test results, strip-chart recordings, calibration data, maintenance records, and any other record required by this permit for five years from the date the record was created. You can keep these records electronically, provided they can be made available to Ohio EPA during an inspection at the facility. Failure to make requested records available to Ohio EPA upon request is a violation of this permit requirement.

**4. What are my permit fees and when do I pay them?**

There are two fees associated with permitted air contaminant sources in Ohio:

- PTIO fee. This one-time fee is based on a fee schedule in accordance with Ohio Revised Code (ORC) section 3745.11, or based on a time and materials charge for permit application review and permit processing if required by the Director.

You will be sent an invoice for this fee after you receive this PTIO and payment is due within 30 days of the invoice date. You are required to pay the fee for this PTIO even if you do not install or modify your operations as authorized by this permit.

- Annual emissions fee. Ohio EPA will assess a separate fee based on the total annual emissions from your facility. You self-report your emissions in accordance with Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Chapter 3745-78. This fee assessed is based on a fee schedule in ORC section 3745.11 and funds Ohio EPA's permit compliance oversight activities. Unless otherwise specified, facilities subject to one or more synthetic minor restrictions must use Ohio EPA's "Air Services" to submit annual emissions associated with this permit requirement. Ohio EPA will notify you when it is time to report your emissions and to pay your annual emission fees.

**5. When does my PTIO expire, and when do I need to submit my renewal application?**

This permit expires on the date identified at the beginning of this permit document (see "Authorization" page above) and you must submit a renewal application to renew the permit. Ohio EPA will send a

renewal notice to you approximately six months prior to the expiration date of this permit. However, it is very important that you submit a complete renewal permit application (postmarked prior to expiration of this permit) even if you do not receive the renewal notice.

If a complete renewal application is submitted before the expiration date, Ohio EPA considers this a timely application for purposes of ORC section 119.06, and you are authorized to continue operating the emissions unit(s) covered by this permit beyond the expiration date of this permit until final action is taken by Ohio EPA on the renewal application.

**6. What happens to this permit if my project is delayed or I do not install or modify my source?**

This PTIO expires 18 months after the issue date identified on the "Authorization" page above unless otherwise specified if you have not (1) started constructing the new or modified emission sources identified in this permit, or (2) entered into a binding contract to undertake such construction. This deadline can be extended by up to 12 months, provided you apply to Ohio EPA for this extension within a reasonable time before the 18-month period has ended and you can show good cause for any such extension.

**7. What reports must I submit under this permit?**

An annual permit evaluation report (PER) is required in addition to any malfunction reporting required by OAC rule 3745-15-06 or other specific rule-based reporting requirement identified in this permit. Your PER due date is identified in the Authorization section of this permit.

**8. If I am required to obtain a Title V operating permit in the future, what happens to the operating provisions and PER obligations under this permit?**

If you are required to obtain a Title V permit under OAC Chapter 3745-77 in the future, the permit-to-operate portion of this permit will be superseded by the issued Title V permit. From the effective date of the Title V permit forward, this PTIO will effectively become a PTI (permit-to-install) in accordance with OAC rule 3745-31-02(B). The following terms and conditions will no longer be applicable after issuance of the Title V permit: Section B, Term 1.b) and Section C, for each emissions unit, Term a)(2).

The PER requirements in this permit remain effective until the date the Title V permit is issued and is effective, and cease to apply after the effective date of the Title V permit. The final PER obligation will cover operations up to the effective date of the Title V permit and must be submitted on or before the submission deadline identified in this permit on the last day prior to the effective date of the Title V permit.

**9. What are my obligations when I perform scheduled maintenance on air pollution control equipment?**

You must perform scheduled maintenance of air pollution control equipment in accordance with OAC rule 3745-15-06(A). If scheduled maintenance requires shutting down or bypassing any air pollution control equipment, you must also shut down the emissions unit(s) served by the air pollution control equipment during maintenance, unless the conditions of OAC rule 3745-15-06(A)(3) are met. Any emissions that exceed permitted amount(s) under this permit (unless specifically exempted by rule) must be reported as deviations in the annual permit evaluation report (PER), including nonexempt excess emissions that occur during approved scheduled maintenance.

**10. Do I have to report malfunctions of emissions units or air pollution control equipment? If so, how must I report?**

If you have a reportable malfunction of any emissions unit(s) or any associated air pollution control system, you must report this to the Ohio EPA DAPC, Northwest District Office in accordance with OAC rule 3745-15-06(B). Malfunctions that must be reported are those that result in emissions that exceed permitted emission levels. It is your responsibility to evaluate control equipment breakdowns and operational upsets to determine if a reportable malfunction has occurred.

If you have a malfunction, but determine that it is not a reportable malfunction under OAC rule 3745-15-06(B), it is recommended that you maintain records associated with control equipment breakdown or process upsets. Although it is not a requirement of this permit, Ohio EPA recommends that you maintain records for non-reportable malfunctions.

**11. Can Ohio EPA or my local air agency inspect the facility where the emission unit(s) is/are located?**

Yes. Under Ohio law, the Director or his authorized representative may inspect the facility, conduct tests, examine records or reports to determine compliance with air pollution laws and regulations and the terms and conditions of this permit. You must provide, within a reasonable time, any information Ohio EPA requests either verbally or in writing.

**12. What happens if one or more emissions units operated under this permit is/are shut down permanently?**

Ohio EPA can terminate the permit terms associated with any permanently shut down emissions unit. "Shut down" means the emissions unit has been physically removed from service or has been altered in such a way that it can no longer operate without a subsequent "modification" or "installation" as defined in OAC Chapter 3745-31.

You should notify Ohio EPA of any emissions unit that is permanently shut down by submitting<sup>1</sup> a certification that identifies the date on which the emissions unit was permanently shut down. The certification must be submitted by an authorized official from the facility. You cannot continue to operate an emissions unit once the certification has been submitted to Ohio EPA by the authorized official.

You must comply with all recordkeeping and reporting for any permanently shut down emissions unit in accordance with the provisions of the permit, regulations or laws that were enforceable during the period of operation, such as the requirement to submit a PER, air fee emission report, or malfunction report. You must also keep all records relating to any permanently shutdown emissions unit, generated while the emissions unit was in operation, for at least five years from the date the record was generated.

Again, you cannot resume operation of any emissions unit certified by the authorized official as being permanently shut down without first applying for and obtaining a permit pursuant to OAC Chapter 3745-31.

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<sup>1</sup>Permittees that use Ohio EPA's "Air Services" can mark the affected emissions unit(s) as "permanently shutdown" in the facility profile along with the date the emissions unit(s) was permanently removed and/or disabled. Submitting the facility profile update will constitute notifying of the permanent shutdown of the affected emissions unit(s).

**13. Can I transfer this permit to a new owner or operator?**

You can transfer this permit to a new owner or operator. If you transfer the permit, you must follow the procedures in OAC Chapter 3745-31, including notifying Ohio EPA or the local air agency of the change in ownership or operator. Any transferee of this permit must assume the responsibilities of the transferor permit holder.

**14. Does compliance with this permit constitute compliance with OAC rule 3745-15-07, "air pollution nuisance"?**

This permit and OAC rule 3745-15-07 prohibit operation of the air contaminant source(s) regulated under this permit in a manner that causes a nuisance. Ohio EPA can require additional controls or modification of the requirements of this permit through enforcement orders or judicial enforcement action if, upon investigation, Ohio EPA determines existing operations are causing a nuisance.

**15. What happens if a portion of this permit is determined to be invalid?**

If a portion of this permit is determined to be invalid, the remainder of the terms and conditions remain valid and enforceable. The exception is where the enforceability of terms and conditions are dependent on the term or condition that was declared invalid.

## **B. Facility-Wide Terms and Conditions**

**Final Permit-to-Install and Operate**

POET Biorefining - Leipsic

**Permit Number:** P0110729

**Facility ID:** 0369000051

**Effective Date:** 8/23/2012

1. This permit document constitutes a permit-to-install issued in accordance with ORC 3704.03(F) and a permit-to-operate issued in accordance with ORC 3704.03(G).
  - a) For the purpose of a permit-to-install document, the facility-wide terms and conditions identified below are federally enforceable with the exception of those listed below which are enforceable under state law only.
    - (1) None.
  - b) For the purpose of a permit-to-operate document, the facility-wide terms and conditions identified below are enforceable under state law only with the exception of those listed below which are federally enforceable.
    - (1) None.

## **C. Emissions Unit Terms and Conditions**

**1. P901, grain receiving**

**Operations, Property and/or Equipment Description:**

grain receiving, transferring, conveying and storage

a) This permit document constitutes a permit-to-install issued in accordance with ORC 3704.03(F) and a permit-to-operate issued in accordance with ORC 3704.03(G).

(1) For the purpose of a permit-to-install document, the emissions unit terms and conditions identified below are federally enforceable with the exception of those listed below which are enforceable under state law only.

a. b)(1)c.

(2) For the purpose of a permit-to-operate document, the emissions unit terms and conditions identified below are enforceable under state law only with the exception of those listed below which are federally enforceable.

a. None.

b) Applicable Emissions Limitations and/or Control Requirements

(1) The specific operation(s), property, and/or equipment that constitute each emissions unit along with the applicable rules and/or requirements and with the applicable emissions limitations and/or control measures are identified below. Emissions from each unit shall not exceed the listed limitations, and the listed control measures shall be specified in narrative form following the table.

	Applicable Rules/Requirements	Applicable Emissions Limitations/Control Measures
a.	OAC rule 3745-31-05(F) <b>(Administrative modification of PTIO P0107812 issued 6/27/2011)</b>	<u>Stack Emissions:</u> The baghouse controlling this emissions unit shall achieve an outlet emission rate of not greater than 0.004 grain of particulate matter equal to or less than 10 microns in size (PM10) per dry standard cubic foot of exhaust gases (gr/dscf).  3.52 tons PM10/year from P901 and P902 combined  Visible particulate emissions (PE) from the baghouse stack shall not exceed 0% opacity.  <u>Fugitive Emissions:</u> 1.65 tons fugitive PM10/year  Visible fugitive PE shall not exceed 5% opacity, as a 3-minute average, from any

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	Applicable Rules/Requirements	Applicable Emissions Limitations/Control Measures
		truck or rail unloading.  Visible fugitive PE shall not exceed 0% opacity, as a 3-minute average, from any grain handling operations.  See b)(2)a. and c)(1)
b.	OAC rule 3745-31-05 (A)(3), as effective 11/30/01	See b)(2)b.
c.	OAC rule 3745-31-05 (A)(3), as effective 12/1/06	See b)(2)c.
d.	OAC rule 3745-17-07 (B)	See b)(2)d.
e.	OAC rule 3745-17-08 (B)	See b)(2)e.
f.	40 CFR Part 60, Subpart DD	See b)(2)f.

(2) Additional Terms and Conditions

a. This permit establishes the following legally and practically enforceable emission limitations for the purpose of limiting the potential to emit (PTE) for PM<sub>10</sub>. The following legally and practically enforceable emission limitations are voluntary restrictions established under OAC rule 3745-31-05(F) and are based on the operational restrictions contained in c)(1) which require control equipment and process control:

- i. 0.004 grPM10/dscf and 3.52 tpy PM10\* for stack emissions;
- ii. Visible particulate PE from the baghouse stack shall not exceed 0% opacity.
- iii. 1.65 tons fugitive PM10/year
- iv. Visible fugitive PE shall not exceed 5% opacity, as a 3-minute average, from any truck or rail unloading.
- v. Visible fugitive PE shall not exceed 0% opacity, as a 3-minute average, from any grain handling operations.

\*All stack emissions of particulate matter are PM10.

b. Best Available Technology (BAT) requirements for this emissions unit have been determined to be compliance with the voluntary restrictions established in accordance with OAC rule 3745-31-05(F) [see b)(2)a.]. The voluntary restrictions were intentionally established to be consistent with the BAT requirements under OAC rule 3745-31-05(A)(3), as effective 11/30/01 for two specific purposes as indicated below:

- i. BAT requirements under OAC rule 3745-31-05(A)(3), as effective 11/30/01 would be fulfilled by compliance with the voluntary restrictions;

- ii. The emissions unit will avoid any BAT requirements under OAC rule 3745-31-05(A)(3), as effective 12/01/06 [see b)(2)c.].

The permittee has satisfied the Best Available Technology (BAT) requirements pursuant to OAC paragraph 3745-31-05(A)(3), as effective November 30, 2001, in this permit. On December 1, 2006, paragraph (A)(3) of OAC rule 3745-31-05 was revised to conform to ORC changes effective August 3, 2006 (S.B. 265 changes), such that BAT is no longer required by State regulations for NAAQS pollutants less than ten tons per year. However, that rule revision has not yet been approved by U.S. EPA as a revision to Ohio's State Implementation Plan (SIP). Therefore, until the SIP revision occurs and the U.S. EPA approves the revisions to OAC rule 3745-31-05, the requirement to satisfy BAT still exists as part of the federally-approved SIP for Ohio. Once U.S. EPA approves the December 1, 2006 version of 3745-31-05, then these emission limits/control measures no longer apply.

It should be noted that the requirements established pursuant to OAC rule 3745-31-05(F) will remain applicable after the above SIP revisions are approved by U.S. EPA.

- c. This rule applies once U.S. EPA approves the December 1, 2006 version of OAC rule 3745-31-05 as part of the State Implementation Plan.

The Best Available Technology (BAT) requirements under OAC rule 3745-31-05(A)(3)(a) do not apply to the PM10 emissions from this air contaminant source since the potential to emit for PM10 emissions is less than 10 tons per year.

- d. This emissions unit is exempt from the visible particulate emission limitations specified in OAC rule 3745-17-07(B), pursuant to OAC rule 3745-17-07(B)(11)(e).
- e. This emissions unit is not located within an "Appendix A" area as identified in OAC rule 3745-17-08. Therefore, pursuant to OAC rule 3745-17-08(A), this emissions unit is exempt from the requirements of OAC rule 3745-17-08(B).
- f. 40 CFR Part 60, Subpart DD (Standards of Performance for Grain Elevators), is applicable to grain storage elevators at any wheat flour mill, wet corn mill, dry corn mill (human consumption), rice mill, or soybean oil extraction plant with a permanent grain storage capacity greater than 1.0 million U.S. bushels. The permanent grain storage capacity of this facility is 1.34 bushels, but the facility is classified as a dry corn chemical manufacturing (not for human consumption). Therefore, 40 CFR Part 60, Subpart DD, is not applicable.

c) Operational Restrictions

- (1) The following operational restrictions have been included in this permit for the purpose of establishing legally and practically enforceable limitation requirements which limit PTE [see b)(2)a.]:

- a. the use of a partial enclosure for grain receiving;
  - b. the use of a total enclosure for transferring/conveying and storage; and
  - c. the use of a baghouse for grain receiving, transferring/conveying and storage achieving a maximum outlet concentration of 0.004 gr/dscf for PM10.
- (2) The permittee shall not exceed an annual material throughput rate of 787,041 tons of grain received.
- d) **Monitoring and/or Recordkeeping Requirements**
- (1) The permittee shall perform daily checks, when the emissions unit is in operation and when the weather conditions allow, for any visible particulate emissions from the baghouse stack serving this emissions unit. The presence or absence of any visible emissions shall be noted in an operations log, as well as the date and time the daily check was performed. If visible emissions are observed, the permittee shall also note the following in the operations log:
- a. the color of the emissions;
  - b. the total duration of any visible emission incident; and
  - c. any corrective actions taken to eliminate the visible emissions.
- (2) The permittee shall perform daily checks, when the emissions unit is in operation and when the weather conditions allow, for any visible fugitive particulate emissions from the egress points (i.e., building windows, doors, roof monitors, etc.) serving this emissions unit. The presence or absence of any visible fugitive emissions shall be noted in an operations log, as well as the date and time the daily check was performed. If visible fugitive emissions are observed, the permittee shall also note the following in the operations log:
- a. the color of the emissions;
  - b. whether the emissions are representative of normal operations;
  - c. if the emissions are not representative of normal operations, the cause of the abnormal emissions;
  - d. the total duration of any visible emission incident; and
  - e. any corrective actions taken to eliminate the visible emissions.
- (3) The permittee shall maintain monthly records of the amount (tons of grain per month and total tons of grain, to date for the calendar year) material throughput for this emissions unit.
- e) **Reporting Requirements**
- (1) Annual Permit Evaluation Report (PER) forms will be mailed to the permittee at the end of the reporting period specified in the Authorization section of this permit. The

permittees shall submit the PER in the form and manner provided by the director by the due date identified in the Authorization section of this permit. The permit evaluation report shall cover a reporting period of no more than twelve-months for each air contaminant source identified in this permit.

- (2) The permittee shall additionally identify the following information in the annual PER in accordance with the monitoring requirements in term number d)(3) above:

- a. a summary of the total annual grain throughput, in tons, for this emissions unit covering the time period from Jan 1<sup>st</sup> to Dec 31<sup>st</sup> of the previous calendar year.

The above information shall be provided within the "Additional Information and Corrections" section of the PER.

- (3) The permittee shall submit semiannual reports that identify the following:

- a. all days during which any visible particulate emissions were observed from the baghouse stack serving this emissions unit;
- b. all days during which any visible fugitive particulate emissions were observed from the egress points serving this emissions unit;
- c. any corrective actions taken to eliminate the visible particulate emissions from the baghouse stack; and
- d. any corrective actions taken to eliminate the visible fugitive particulate emissions from the egress points serving this emissions unit.

These reports shall be submitted to the Director (the appropriate Ohio EPA District Office or local air agency) by January 31 and July 31 of each year and shall cover the previous 6-month period.

- (4) Unless other arrangements have been approved by the Director, all notifications and reports shall be submitted through the Ohio EPA's eBusiness Center: Air Services online web portal.

f) Testing Requirements

- (1) Compliance with the Emissions Limitations and/or Control Requirements specified in section b) of these terms and conditions shall be determined in accordance with the following methods:

- a. Emission Limitations:  
0.004 gr PM10/dscf of exhaust gas and 3.52 TPY PM10.

Applicable Compliance Method:

Compliance with the outlet concentration of 0.004 gr/dscf of filterable PM10 was demonstrated through emission testing conducted on June 3-5 and 9-10, 2008. If required, compliance shall be demonstrated through emissions testing conducted in accordance with Methods 201/201A and 202 of 40 CFR Part 51, Appendix M and 40 CFR Part 60, Appendix A, Methods 1-4 (volumetric air flow

rate). Alternative U.S. EPA-approved test methods may be used with prior approval from the Ohio EPA, NWDO.

Compliance with the annual allowable PM10 emission limitation shall be demonstrated based on the baghouse outlet grain loading and the maximum volumetric flow rate as follows:

$PM_{10} \text{ (tons/yr)} = \text{baghouse grain loading (0.004 gr/dscf)} \times 1 \text{ lb/7000 gr} \times \text{maximum volumetric flow rate of the baghouse (23,450 cfm)} \times 60 \text{ min/hour} \times 8760 \text{ hours/yr} \times \text{ton/2000lbs}$

Therefore, as long as compliance with the 0.004 gr/dscf is maintained and the volumetric air flow rate is verified through testing, compliance with the annual PM10 limitation shall also be demonstrated.

- b. Emission Limitation:  
Fugitive PM10 shall not exceed 1.65 tons/yr.

Applicable Compliance Method:

Compliance with the annual emission limitations above may be demonstrated by the following calculations using the AP-42 emission factors (Section 9.9.1, April 2003) and the maximum grain throughput.

$= 787,041 \text{ ton/yr} \times 0.021 \text{ lb PM}_{10}/\text{ton} \times 0.0005 \text{ ton/lb} \times 0.2 \text{ (80\% capture efficiency)} = 1.65 \text{ tons PM}_{10}/\text{year}$

- c. Emission Limitation:  
Visible PE from the baghouse stack shall not exceed 0% opacity

Applicable Compliance Method:

If required compliance shall be determined according to test Method 9 as set forth in the "Appendix on Test Methods" in 40 CFR Part 60 "Standards of Performance for New Stationary Sources."

- d. Emission Limitation:  
Visible fugitive PE shall not exceed 5% opacity, from any truck or rail unloading.

Applicable Compliance Method:

Compliance with the visible emission limitation shall be determined in accordance with Test Method 9 as set forth in "Appendix on Test Methods" in 40 CFR, Part 60 ("Standards of Performance for New Stationary Sources").

- e. Emission Limitation:  
Visible fugitive PE shall not exceed 0% opacity, from any grain handling operations.

Applicable Compliance Method:

Compliance with the visible emission limitation shall be determined in accordance with Test Method 9 as set forth in "Appendix on Test Methods" in 40 CFR, Part 60 ("Standards of Performance for New Stationary Sources").

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g) Miscellaneous Requirements

(1) None.

**2. P902, DDCS loadout**

**Operations, Property and/or Equipment Description:**

DDGS loadout

- a) This permit document constitutes a permit-to-install issued in accordance with ORC 3704.03(F) and a permit-to-operate issued in accordance with ORC 3704.03(G).
  - (1) For the purpose of a permit-to-install document, the emissions unit terms and conditions identified below are federally enforceable with the exception of those listed below which are enforceable under state law only.
    - a. b)(1)c.
  - (2) For the purpose of a permit-to-operate document, the emissions unit terms and conditions identified below are enforceable under state law only with the exception of those listed below which are federally enforceable.
    - a. None.
- b) Applicable Emissions Limitations and/or Control Requirements
  - (1) The specific operation(s), property, and/or equipment that constitute each emissions unit along with the applicable rules and/or requirements and with the applicable emissions limitations and/or control measures are identified below. Emissions from each unit shall not exceed the listed limitations, and the listed control measures shall be specified in narrative form following the table.

	Applicable Rules/Requirements	Applicable Emissions Limitations/Control Measures
a.	OAC rule 3745-31-05(F) <b>(Administrative modification of PTIO P0107812 issued 6/27/2011)</b>	<u>Stack Emissions:</u> The baghouse controlling this emissions unit shall achieve an outlet emission rate of not greater than 0.004 grain of particulate matter equal to or less than 10 microns in size (PM10) per dry standard cubic foot of exhaust gases (gr/dscf).  3.52 tons PM10/year from P901 and P902 combined  Visible particulate emissions (PE) from the baghouse stack shall not exceed 0% opacity, as a 6-minute average.  <u>Fugitive Emissions:</u> 1.59 tons fugitive PM10/year  Visible fugitive emissions shall not exceed 5% opacity, as a 3-minute

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	Applicable Rules/Requirements	Applicable Emissions Limitations/Control Measures
		average, from the dried distiller's grains with soluble (DDGS) loadout.  See b)(2)a. and c)(1)
b.	OAC rule 3745-31-05 (A)(3), as effective 11/30/01	See b)(2)b.
c.	OAC rule 3745-31-05 (A)(3), as effective 12/1/06	See b)(2)c.
d.	OAC rule 3745-17-07 (B)	See b)(2)d.
e.	OAC rule 3745-17-08 (B)	See b)(2)e.
f.	OAC rule 3745-17-07(A)	See b)(2)f.
g.	OAC rule 3745-17-11(B)	See b)(2)f.

(2) Additional Terms and Conditions

a. This permit establishes the following legally and practically enforceable emission limitations for the purpose of limiting the potential to emit (PTE) for PM<sub>10</sub>. The following legally and practically enforceable emission limitations are voluntary restrictions established under OAC rule 3745-31-05(F) and are based on the operational restrictions contained in c)(1) which require control equipment and process control:

- i. 0.004 grPM10/dscf and 3.52 tpy PM10\* for stack emissions;
- ii. Visible particulate PE from the baghouse stack shall not exceed 0% opacity.
- iii. 1.59 tons fugitive PM10/year
- iv. Visible fugitive emissions shall not exceed 5% opacity, as a 3-minute average, from the dried distiller's grains with soluble (DDGS) loadout.

\*All stack emissions of particulate matter are PM10.

b. Best Available Technology (BAT) requirements for this emissions unit have been determined to be compliance with the voluntary restrictions established in accordance with OAC rule 3745-31-05(F) [see b)(2)a.]. The voluntary restrictions were intentionally established to be consistent with the BAT requirements under OAC rule 3745-31-05(A)(3), as effective 11/30/01 for two specific purposes as indicated below:

- i. BAT requirements under OAC rule 3745-31-05(A)(3), as effective 11/30/01 would be fulfilled by compliance with the voluntary restrictions;
- ii. The emissions unit will avoid any BAT requirements under OAC rule 3745-31-05(A)(3), as effective 12/01/06 [see b)(2)c.].

The permittee has satisfied the Best Available Technology (BAT) requirements pursuant to OAC paragraph 3745-31-05(A)(3), as effective November 30, 2001, in this permit. On December 1, 2006, paragraph (A)(3) of OAC rule 3745-31-05 was revised to conform to ORC changes effective August 3, 2006 (S.B. 265 changes), such that BAT is no longer required by State regulations for NAAQS pollutants less than ten tons per year. However, that rule revision has not yet been approved by U.S. EPA as a revision to Ohio's State Implementation Plan (SIP). Therefore, until the SIP revision occurs and the U.S. EPA approves the revisions to OAC rule 3745-31-05, the requirement to satisfy BAT still exists as part of the federally-approved SIP for Ohio. Once U.S. EPA approves the December 1, 2006 version of 3745-31-05, then these emission limits/control measures no longer apply.

It should be noted that the requirements established pursuant to OAC rule 3745-31-05(F) will remain applicable after the above SIP revisions are approved by U.S. EPA.

- c. This rule applies once U.S. EPA approves the December 1, 2006 version of OAC rule 3745-31-05 as part of the State Implementation Plan.

The Best Available Technology (BAT) requirements under OAC rule 3745-31-05(A)(3)(a) do not apply to the PM10 emissions from this air contaminant source since the potential to emit for PM10 emissions is less than 10 tons per year.

- d. This emissions unit is exempt from the visible particulate emission limitations specified in OAC rule 3745-17-07(B), pursuant to OAC rule 3745-17-07(B)(11)(e).
- e. This emissions unit is not located within an "Appendix A" area as identified in OAC rule 3745-17-08. Therefore, pursuant to OAC rule 3745-17-08(A), this emissions unit is exempt from the requirements of OAC rule 3745-17-08(B).
- f. The emission limitation specified by this rule is less stringent than the emission limitation established pursuant to OAC rule 3745-31-05(F).

c) **Operational Restrictions**

- (1) The following operational restrictions have been included in this permit for the purpose of establishing legally and practically enforceable limitation requirements which limit PTE [see b)(2)a.]:
  - a. for DDGS rail loadout, the use of partial enclosure with aspiration to a baghouse achieving a maximum outlet concentration of 0.004 gr PM10/dscf; and
  - b. for truck loadout, the use of partial enclosure

d) **Monitoring and/or Recordkeeping Requirements**

- (1) The permittee shall perform daily checks, when the emissions unit is in operation and when the weather conditions allow, for any visible particulate emissions from the baghouse stack serving this emissions unit. The presence or absence of any visible

emissions shall be noted in an operations log, as well as the date and time the daily check was performed. If visible emissions are observed, the permittee shall also note the following in the operations log:

- a. the color of the emissions;
- b. the total duration of any visible emission incident; and
- c. any corrective actions taken to eliminate the visible emissions.

(2) The permittee shall perform daily checks, when the emissions unit is in operation and when the weather conditions allow, for any visible fugitive particulate emissions from the egress points (i.e., building windows, doors, roof monitors, etc.) serving this emissions unit. The presence or absence of any visible fugitive emissions shall be noted in an operations log, as well as the date and time the daily check was performed. If visible fugitive emissions are observed, the permittee shall also note the following in the operations log:

- a. the color of the emissions;
- b. whether the emissions are representative of normal operations;
- c. if the emissions are not representative of normal operations, the cause of the abnormal emissions;
- d. the total duration of any visible emission incident; and
- e. any corrective actions taken to eliminate the visible emissions.

e) Reporting Requirements

(1) Annual Permit Evaluation Report (PER) forms will be mailed to the permittee at the end of the reporting period specified in the Authorization section of this permit. The permittee shall submit the PER in the form and manner provided by the director by the due date identified in the Authorization section of this permit. The permit evaluation report shall cover a reporting period of no more than twelve-months for each air contaminant source identified in this permit.

(2) The permittee shall submit semiannual written reports that identify:

- a. all days during which any visible particulate emissions were observed from the baghouse stack serving this emissions unit;
- b. all days during which any visible fugitive particulate emissions were observed from the egress points serving this emissions unit;
- c. any corrective actions taken to eliminate the visible particulate emissions from the baghouse stack; and
- d. any corrective actions taken to eliminate the visible fugitive particulate emissions from the egress points serving this emissions unit.

These reports shall be submitted to the Director (the appropriate Ohio EPA District Office or local air agency) by January 31 and July 31 of each year and shall cover the previous 6-month period.

- (3) Unless other arrangements have been approved by the Director, all notifications and reports shall be submitted through the Ohio EPA's eBusiness Center: Air Services online web portal.

f) Testing Requirements

- (1) Compliance with the Emissions Limitations and/or Control Requirements specified in section b) of these terms and conditions shall be determined in accordance with the following methods:

- a. Emission Limitations:  
0.004 gr PM10/dscf of exhaust gas and 3.52 TPY PM10

Applicable Compliance Method:

Compliance with the outlet concentration of 0.004 gr/dscf of PM10 was demonstrated through emission testing conducted on June 3-5 and 9-10, 2008. If required, compliance shall be demonstrated through emissions testing conducted in accordance with Methods 201/201A and 202 of 40 CFR Part 51, Appendix M and 40 CFR Part 60, Appendix A, Methods 1-4 (volumetric air flow rate). Alternative U.S. EPA-approved test methods may be used with prior approval from the Ohio EPA, NWDO.

Compliance with the annual allowable filterable PM10 emission limitation shall be demonstrated based on the baghouse outlet grain loading and the maximum volumetric flow rate as follows:

$$\text{Filterable PM10 (tons/yr)} = \text{baghouse grain loading (0.004 gr/dscf)} \times 1 \text{ lb/7000 gr} \times \text{maximum volumetric flow rate of the baghouse (23,450 cfm)} \times 60 \text{ min/hour} \times 8760 \text{ hours/yr} \times \text{ton/2000lbs}$$

Therefore, as long as compliance with the 0.004 gr/dscf is maintained and the volumetric air flow rate is verified through testing, compliance with the annual PM10 limitation shall be ensured.

- b. Emission Limitation:  
Fugitive PM10 shall not exceed 1.59 tons/yr.

Applicable Compliance Method:

Compliance with the annual emission limitations above may be demonstrated by the following calculations using the AP-42 emission factors (Section 9.9.1, April 2003) and the maximum grain throughput.

$$= 218,797 \text{ tons/yr} \times 0.029 \text{ lb PM10/ton} \times 0.0005 \text{ ton/lb} \times 0.5 \text{ (50\% capture efficiency)} = 1.59 \text{ tons PM10/year}$$

- c. Emission Limitation:  
Visible PE from the baghouse stack shall not exceed 0% opacity

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Applicable Compliance Method:

If required compliance shall be determined according to test Method 9 as set forth in the "Appendix on Test Methods" in 40 CFR Part 60 "Standards of Performance for New Stationary Sources."

d. Emission Limitation:

Visible fugitive PE shall not exceed 5% opacity, as a 3-minute average from DDGS loadout

Applicable Compliance Method:

If required, compliance with the visible emission limitation shall be determined in accordance with Test Method 9 as set forth in "Appendix on Test Methods" in 40 CFR, Part 60 ("Standards of Performance for New Stationary Sources").

g) Miscellaneous Requirements

(1) None.

**3. Emissions Unit Group -Hammermills P002-P006**

EU ID	Operations, Property and/or Equipment Description
P002	hammermill no. 1
P003	hammermill no. 2
P004	hammermill no. 3
P005	hammermill no. 4
P006	hammermill no. 5

a) This permit document constitutes a permit-to-install issued in accordance with ORC 3704.03(F) and a permit-to-operate issued in accordance with ORC 3704.03(G).

(1) For the purpose of a permit-to-install document, the emissions unit terms and conditions identified below are federally enforceable with the exception of those listed below which are enforceable under state law only.

a. b)(1)e.

(2) For the purpose of a permit-to-operate document, the emissions unit terms and conditions identified below are enforceable under state law only with the exception of those listed below which are federally enforceable.

a. None.

b) Applicable Emissions Limitations and/or Control Requirements

(1) The specific operation(s), property, and/or equipment that constitute each emissions unit along with the applicable rules and/or requirements and with the applicable emissions limitations and/or control measures are identified below. Emissions from each unit shall not exceed the listed limitations, and the listed control measures shall be specified in narrative form following the table.

	Applicable Rules/Requirements	Applicable Emissions Limitations/Control Measures
a.	OAC rule 3745-31-05(F) <b>(Administrative modification of PTIO P0107812 issued 6/27/2011)</b>	Particulate matter equal to or less than 10 microns in size (PM10) from emissions units P002, P003, P004, P005 and P006 combined, shall not exceed 0.003 grain per dry standard cubic foot (gr/dscf)  6.76 tons PM10/year  Visible particulate emissions (PE) from the baghouse stack shall not exceed 0% opacity, as a six-minute average.  See b)(2)a. and c)(1)
b.	OAC rule 3745-31-05 (A)(3), as effective 11/30/01	See b)(2)b.
c.	OAC rule 3745-31-05 (A)(3)(a)(ii), as	See b)(2)c.

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	Applicable Rules/Requirements	Applicable Emissions Limitations/Control Measures
	effective 12/1/06	
d.	OAC rule 3745-17-07(A)	See b)(2)d.
e.	OAC rule 3745-17-11(B)	See b)(2)d.

(2) Additional Terms and Conditions

a. This permit establishes the following legally and practically enforceable emission limitations for the purpose of limiting potential to emit (PTE). The following legally and practically enforceable emission limitations are voluntary restrictions established under OAC rule 3745-31-05(F) and are based on the operational restrictions contained in c)(1) which require control equipment and process control:

- i. 0.003 gr PM10/dscf and 6.76 tpy PM10\*;
- ii. Visible particulate PE from the baghouse stack shall not exceed 0% opacity, as a 6-minute average.

\*All stack emissions of particulate matter are PM10.

b. The requirements of this rule are equivalent to the requirements established pursuant to OAC rule 3745-31-05(F); therefore, the permittee has satisfied the Best Available Technology (BAT) requirements pursuant to OAC rule 3745-31-05(A)(3), as effective November 30, 2001, in this permit.

On December 1, 2006, paragraph (A)(3) of OAC rule 3745-31-05 was revised to conform to Ohio Revised Code (ORC) changes effective August 3, 2006 (Senate Bill 265 Changes), such that BAT is no longer required by State regulations for NAAQS pollutants less than ten tons per year. However, that rule revision has not yet been approved by U.S. EPA as a revision to Ohio's State Implementation Plan (SIP). Therefore, until the SIP revision occurs and the U.S. EPA approves the revisions to OAC rule 3745-31-05, the requirement to satisfy BAT still exists as part of the federally-approved SIP for Ohio. Once U.S. EPA approves the December 1, 2006 version of 3745-31-05, the requirements of 3745-31-05(A)(3) as effective on November 30, 2001 will no longer apply.

It should be noted that the emission limitations and control requirements established pursuant to OAC rule 3745-31-05(F) will remain applicable after the above SIP revisions are approved by U.S. EPA.

c. This rule paragraph applies once U.S. EPA approves the December 1, 2006 version of OAC rule 3745-31-05 as part of the State Implementation Plan.

Best Available Technology (BAT) requirements under OAC rule 3745-31-05(A)(3)(a), as effective December 1, 2006, do not apply to the PM10 emissions from this air contaminant source since the controlled potential to emit (PTE) is less than 10 tons per year taking into consideration federally enforceable requirements established under OAC rule 3745-31-05(D).

- d. The emission limitation established by this rule is less stringent than the emissions limitation established pursuant to OAC rule 3745-31-05(F).

c) Operational Restrictions

- (1) The following operational restrictions have been included in this permit for the purpose of establishing legally and practically enforceable requirements which limit PTE: [See b)(2)a.):

- a. use of a baghouse control system achieving a maximum outlet concentration of 0.003 gr PM10/dscf

d) Monitoring and/or Recordkeeping Requirements

- (1) The permittee shall perform daily checks, when the emissions unit is in operation and when the weather conditions allow, for any visible particulate emissions from the baghouse stack serving this emissions unit. The presence or absence of any visible emissions shall be noted in an operations log, as well as the date and time the daily check was performed. If visible emissions are observed, the permittee shall also note the following in the operations log:

- a. the color of the emissions;
- b. the total duration of any visible emission incident; and
- c. any corrective actions taken to eliminate the visible emissions.

e) Reporting Requirements

- (1) Annual Permit Evaluation Report (PER) forms will be mailed to the permittee at the end of the reporting period specified in the Authorization section of this permit. The permittee shall submit the PER in the form and manner provided by the director by the due date identified in the Authorization section of this permit. The permit evaluation report shall cover a reporting period of no more than twelve-months for each air contaminant source identified in this permit.

- (2) The permittee shall submit semiannual written reports that identify:

- a. all days during which any visible particulate emissions were observed from the stack serving this emissions unit; and
- b. any corrective actions taken to eliminate the visible particulate emissions.

These reports shall be submitted to the Director (the appropriate Ohio EPA District Office or local air agency) by January 31 and July 31 of each year and shall cover the previous 6-month period.

- (3) Unless other arrangements have been approved by the Director, all notifications and reports shall be submitted through the Ohio EPA's eBusiness Center: Air Services online web portal.

f) Testing Requirements

(1) Compliance with the Emissions Limitations and/or Control Requirements specified in section b) of these terms and conditions shall be determined in accordance with the following methods:

a. Emission Limitations:

0.003 gr PM10/dscf of exhaust gas and 6.76 TPY PM10.

Applicable Compliance Method:

Compliance with the outlet concentration of 0.003 gr PM10/dscf was demonstrated through emission testing conducted on March 24-26, 2009. If required, compliance shall be demonstrated through emissions testing conducted in accordance with Methods 201/201A and 202 of 40 CFR Part 51, Appendix M and 40 CFR Part 60, Appendix A, Methods 1-4 (volumetric air flow rate). Alternative U.S. EPA-approved test methods may be used with prior approval from the Ohio EPA, NWDO.

Compliance with the annual allowable PM10 emission limitation shall be demonstrated based on the baghouse outlet grain loading and the maximum volumetric flow rate as follows:

$PM10 \text{ (tons/yr)} = \text{baghouse grain loading (0.003 gr/dscf)} \times 1 \text{ lb/7000 gr} \times \text{maximum volumetric flow rate of the baghouse (60,000 cfm)} \times 60 \text{ min/hour} \times 8760 \text{ hours/yr} \times \text{ton/2000lbs}$

Therefore, as long as compliance with the 0.003 gr/dscf is maintained and the volumetric air flow rate is verified through testing, compliance with the annual PM10 limitation shall also be demonstrated.

b. Emission Limitation:

Visible PE from the baghouse stack shall not exceed 0% opacity, as a six-minute average.

Applicable Compliance Method:

If required, compliance shall be determined according to test Method 9 as set forth in the "Appendix on Test Methods" in 40 CFR Part 60 "Standards of Performance for New Stationary Sources."

g) Miscellaneous Requirements

(1) None.