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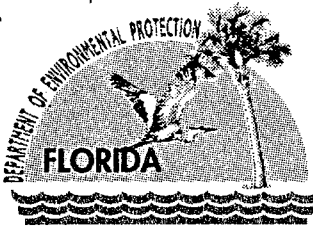
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**SIC Nos.:** 07, 0724  
**Project:** Cotton Gin Facility

This permit is for the operation of the Burkhead Cotton Gin Facility located at 225 North Magnolia Street, Jay Florida, Santa Rosa County; UTM Coordinates: Zone 16, 485.30 km East and 3425.80 km North; Latitude: 30° 57' 22" North and Longitude: 87° 08' 43" West.

STATEMENT OF BASIS: This air operation permit is issued under the provisions of Chapter 403, Florida Statutes (F.S.) and Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.) Chapters 62-4, 62-210. The above named permittee is hereby authorized to perform the work or operate the facility shown on the application and approved drawing(s), plans, and other documents, attached hereto or on file with the permitting authority, in accordance with the terms and conditions of this permit.

**Referenced attachments made a part of this permit:**  
Appendix G-1, General Conditions

**Effective Date:** March 16, 1999  
**Renewal Application Due Date:** January 15, 2004  
**Expiration Date:** March 16, 2004

**FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF  
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## **Section I. Facility Information.**

### **Subsection A. Facility Description.**

This facility consists of the operation of a cotton gin facility. The facility operates for three months (October, November and December) out of each year and consists of four sources of air emissions: 1) Raw Cotton Unloading System, 2) Seed Cotton Cleaning System, 3) Lint Cotton Handling System, and 4) Trash System. These four sources are described as follows:

- 1) Seed cotton from the field is pneumatically conveyed from the transport vehicle through a separator to two Seed Cotton Cleaning Systems.
- 2) Seed cotton is dried, cleaned and extracted through two parallel systems each consisting of a tower dryer, hot air cleaners, stick and burr machine, a second tower dryer and a second hot air cleaner. Particulate emissions from these operations are controlled by cyclones. The cyclones are the 1st, 2nd, 4th and 5th cyclone pairs counting from north to south. The cleaned seed cotton is fed to the Lint Cotton Handling System.
- 3) The Lint Cotton Handling System contains four gin stands. For each gin stand the "huller front" strips off hulls and sticks followed by the roll box where seeds are separated from fibers. cotton lint is doffed from the gin saws and is pneumatically conveyed to a condenser which separates the fiber bat from the conveying air. The cotton bat is fed to a lint cleaner where saws comb the lint cotton to remove trash. The fiber is pneumatically conveyed to a second condenser and lint cleaners. The cleaned cotton lint from all four gin/lint cleaning systems is pneumatically conveyed to the main battery condenser and fed to the baler.

The trash from the "huller front" of each gin stand is gravity-separated followed by pneumatic conveying to cyclone separators. These gin trash systems are in two parallel systems (two gins per system). The cyclones are the 3rd and 6th cyclone pairs counting north to south.

Trash from the lint cleaners is pneumatically conveyed to twin cyclones for particulate emissions control. The cyclones are the 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th cyclone pairs counting north to south.

The conveying air for the eight condensers feeding the lint cleaners is exhausted through the back wall of the building. The fiber bat collected on the screen condenser controls particulate emissions. The conveying air from the main battery condenser is exhausted from the back of the building with the fiber bat as the only particulate emissions control.

- 4) The trash collected by the ten cyclone pairs is discharged to an auger conveyor and discharged into enclosed trailers to be hauled back to be spread upon farm fields.

**Subsection B. Summary of Emissions Unit ID Nos. and Brief Descriptions.**

**E.U.**

| <b><u>ID No.</u></b> | <b><u>Brief Description</u></b> |
|----------------------|---------------------------------|
| 001                  | Raw Cotton Unloading System     |
| 002                  | Seed Cotton Cleaning System     |
| 003                  | Lint Cotton Handling System     |
| 004                  | Trash Removal System            |

*Please reference the Permit No., Facility ID No., and appropriate Emissions Units ID Nos. on all correspondence, test report submittals, applications, etc.*

**Subsection C. Relevant Document.**

The document listed below is not a part of this permit; however, it is specifically related to this permitting action.

This document is on file with permitting authority:  
Operating Permit Application received March 12, 1999.

## Section II. Facility-wide Conditions.

### The following conditions apply facility-wide:

1. APPENDIX G-1, GENERAL CONDITIONS, is a part of this permit.
2. General Pollutant Emission Limiting Standards. Objectionable Odor Prohibited. The permittee shall not cause, suffer, allow, or permit the discharge of air pollutants which cause or contribute to an objectionable odor.  
[Rule 62-296.320(2), F.A.C.]
3. General Particulate Emission Limiting Standards. General Visible Emissions Standard. Except for emissions units that are subject to a particulate matter or opacity limit set forth or established by rule and reflected by conditions in this permit, no person shall cause, let, permit, suffer or allow to be discharged into the atmosphere the emissions of air pollutants from any activity, the density of which is equal to or greater than that designated as Number 1 on the Ringelmann Chart (20 percent opacity). EPA Method 9 is the method of compliance pursuant to Chapter 62-297, F.A.C.  
[Rules 62-296.320(4)(b)1. & 4., F.A.C.]
4. General Pollutant Emission Limiting Standards. Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) Emissions or Organic Solvents (OS) Emissions. The permittee shall allow no person to store, pump, handle, process, load, unload or use in any process or installation, volatile organic compounds (VOC) or organic solvents (OS) without applying known and existing vapor emission control devices or systems deemed necessary and ordered by the Department.  
[Rule 62-296.320(1)(a), F.A.C.]
5. Reasonable precautions to prevent emissions of unconfined particulate matter at this facility include: Paving and maintenance of roads, parking areas and yards; application of asphalt, water, oil, chemicals or other dust suppressants to unpaved roads, yards, open stock piles and similar activities; landscaping or planting of vegetation; and enclosure or covering of conveyor systems.  
[Rule 62-296.320(4)(c)2., F.A.C.]
6. When appropriate, any recording, monitoring, or reporting requirements that are time-specific shall be in accordance with the effective date of the permit, which defines day one.  
[Rule 62-213.440, F.A.C.]
7. Sixty days prior to the expiration date of this operation permit, the Permittee shall submit two permit renewal applications using the current version of the renewal form along with the processing fee established in FAC Rule 62-4.050(4) to the Northwest District office of the Department.  
[Rule 62-4.090, F.A.C.]

8. The permittee shall submit all compliance related notifications and reports required of this permit to the Department's Northwest District office:

Department of Environmental Protection  
Northwest District Office  
160 Governmental Center  
Pensacola, Florida 32501-5794  
Telephone: 850/595-8364  
Fax: 850/595-8597

9. The Department telephone number for reporting problems, malfunctions or exceedances under this permit is (850) 595-8364, day or night, and for emergencies involving a significant threat to human health or the environment is (800) 320-0519. For routine business, telephone (850) 595-8364 during normal working hours.  
[Rules 62-210.700 and 62-4.130, F.A.C.]

### **Section III. Emissions Units and Conditions.**

**Subsection A. This section addresses the following emissions units.**

#### **E.U.**

| <b><u>ID No.</u></b> | <b><u>Brief Description</u></b> |
|----------------------|---------------------------------|
| 001                  | Raw Cotton Unloading System     |
| 002                  | Seed Cotton Cleaning System     |
| 003                  | Lint Cotton Handling System     |
| 004                  | Trash Removal System            |

**The following specific conditions apply to the emissions units listed above:**

#### **Essential Potential to Emit (PTE) Parameters**

**A.1. Capacity.** The maximum operation rate shall not exceed 18,800 pounds of seed cotton per hour.

[Rules 62-4.160(2) and Rule 62-210.200(PTE), F.A.C.]

**A.2. Hours of Operation.** The hours of operation for this emissions unit shall not exceed 2,016 hours/year.

[Rule 62-4.160(2) and Rule 62-210.200(PTE), F.A.C.]

#### **Emission Limitations and Standards**

**A.3. Visible Emissions.** Visible emissions shall be less than 20% opacity.

[Rule 62-296.320(4)(b), F.A.C.]

#### **Test Methods and Procedures**

**A.4.** Visible emissions tests are required to show compliance with the standards of the Department. The test results must provide reasonable assurance that the source is capable of compliance at the permitted maximum operating rate. Such tests shall be conducted once per year within 30 days of the beginning of the ginning season. The visible emissions tests shall be conducted in accordance with EPA Method 9 from the worst emissions unit point for each of the four emissions units (001, 002, 003 and 004). The Department shall be notified at least 15 days prior to testing to allow witnessing. Results shall be submitted to the Department within 45 days after testing.

[Rules 62-4.070, 62-297.310(7), and 62-297.401(9), F.A.C.]

**A.5.** The test reports shall comply with applicable portions of F.A.C. Rule 62-297.310, Test Reports. The Department can require special compliance tests in accordance with F.A.C. Rule 62-297.310(7).

[Rule 62-297.310(7), F.A.C.]



A.6. Testing of emissions shall be conducted with the source operating at capacity. Capacity is defined as 90-100% of rated capacity. If it is impractical to test at capacity, then sources may be tested at less than capacity; in this case subsequent source operation is limited to 110% of the test load until a new test is conducted. Once the unit is so limited, then operation at higher capacities is allowed for no more than fifteen days for purposes of additional compliance testing to regain the rated capacity in the permit, with prior notification to the Department.  
[Rules 62-297.310(2) and 62-4.070, F.A.C.]

**Monitoring of Operations**

A.7. Special Compliance Tests. When the Department, after investigation, has good reason (such as complaints, increased visible emissions or questionable maintenance of control equipment) to believe that any applicable emission standard contained in a Department rule or in a permit issued pursuant to those rules is being violated, it may require the owner or operator of the emissions unit to conduct compliance tests which identify the nature and quantity of pollutant emissions from the emissions unit and to provide a report on the results of said tests to the Department.  
[Rule 62-297.310(7)(b), F.A.C.]

1. The terms, conditions, requirements, limitations, and restrictions set forth in this permit are "permit conditions", and are binding and enforceable pursuant to Sections 403.141, 403.727, or 403.859 through 403.861, Florida Statutes. The permittee is placed on notice that the Department will review this permit periodically and may initiate enforcement action for any violation of these conditions.
2. This permit is valid only for the specific processes and operations applied for and indicated in the approved drawings or exhibits. Any unauthorized deviation from the approved drawings, exhibits, specifications, or conditions of this permit may constitute grounds for revocation and enforcement action by the Department.
3. As provided in Subsections 403.087(6) and 403.722(5), Florida Statutes, the issuance of this permit does not convey any vested rights or any exclusive privileges. Nor does it authorize any injury to public or private property or any invasion of personal rights, nor any infringement of federal, state or local laws or regulations. This permit does not constitute a waiver of or approval of any other Department permit that may be required for other aspects of the total project which are not addressed in the permit.
4. This permit conveys no title to land or water, does not constitute state recognition or acknowledgment of title, and does not constitute authority for the use of submerged lands unless herein provided and the necessary title or leasehold interests have been obtained from the state. Only the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund may express state opinion as to title.
5. This permit does not relieve the permittee from liability for harm or injury to human health or welfare, animal, or plant life, or property caused by the construction or operation of this permitted source, or from penalties therefore; nor does it allow the permittee to cause pollution in contravention of Florida Statutes and Department rules, unless specifically authorized by an order from the Department.
6. The permittee shall properly operate and maintain the facility and systems of treatment and control (and related appurtenances) that are installed and used by the permittee to achieve compliance with the conditions of this permit, are required by Department rules. This provision includes the operation of backup or auxiliary facilities or similar systems when necessary to achieve compliance with the conditions of the permit and when required by Department rules.
7. The permittee, by accepting this permit, specifically agrees to allow authorized Department personnel, upon presentation of credentials or other documents as may be required by law, access to the premises, at reasonable times, where the permitted activity is located or conducted for the purpose of:
  - a. Having access to and copying any records that must be kept under the conditions of this permit;
  - b. Inspecting the facility, equipment, practices, or operations regulated or required under this permit; and,
  - c. Sampling or monitoring any substances or parameters at any location reasonably necessary to assure compliance with this permit or Department rules.

Reasonable time may depend on the nature of the concern being investigated.

8. If, for any reason, the permittee does not comply with or will be unable to comply with any condition or limitation specified in this permit, the permittee shall immediately provide the Department with the following information:

- a. A description of and cause of noncompliance; and

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b. The period of noncompliance, including exact dates and times; or, if not corrected, the anticipated time the noncompliance is expected to continue, and steps being taken to reduce, eliminate, and prevent recurrence of the noncompliance. The permittee shall be responsible for any and all damages which may result and may be subject to enforcement action by the Department for penalties or for revocation of this permit.

9. In accepting this permit, the permittee understands and agrees that all records, notes, monitoring data and other information relating to the construction or operation of this permitted source which are submitted to the Department may be used by the Department as evidence in any enforcement case involving the permitted source arising under the Florida Statutes or Department rules, except where such use is proscribed by Sections 403.73 and 403.111, Florida Statutes. Such evidence shall only be used to the extent it is consistent with Florida Rules of Civil Procedure and appropriate evidentiary rules.

10. The permittee agrees to comply with changes in Department rules and Florida Statutes after a reasonable time for compliance, provided however, the permittee does not waive any other rights granted by Florida Statutes or Department rules.

11. This permit is transferable only upon Department approval in accordance with Florida Administrative Code Rules 62-4.120 and 62-730.300, as applicable. The permittee shall be liable for any noncompliance of the permitted activity until the transfer is approved by the Department.

12. This permit is required to be kept at the work site of the permitted activity during the entire period of construction or operation.

13. The permittee shall comply with the following:

a. Upon request, the permittee shall furnish all records and plans required under Department rules. During enforcement actions, the retention period for all records will be extended automatically unless otherwise stipulated by the Department.

b. The permittee shall hold at the facility or other location designated by this permit records of all monitoring information (including all calibration and maintenance records and all original strip chart recordings for continuous monitoring instrumentation) required by the permit, copies of all reports required by this permit, and records of all data used to complete the application for this permit. These materials shall be retained at least three years from the date of the sample, measurement, report or application unless otherwise specified by Department rule.

- c. Records of monitoring information shall include:
- the date, exact place, and time of sampling or measurement;
  - the person responsible for performing the sampling or measurement;
  - the date(s) analyses were performed;
  - the person responsible for performing the analyses;
  - the analytical techniques or methods used; and
  - the results of such analyses.

14. When requested by the Department, the permittee shall within a reasonable time furnish any information required by law which is needed to determine compliance with the permit. If the permittee becomes aware the relevant facts were not submitted or were incorrect in the permit application or in any report to the Department, such facts or information shall be corrected promptly.