

Plain Language Summary for New Source Review (NSR) Renewal Application for Air New Source Review Permit Number 20612

The following summary is provided for this pending air permit application being reviewed by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality as required by 30 Texas Administrative Code Chapter 39. The information provided in this summary may change during the technical review of the application and are not federal enforceable representations of the permit application.

Moreman Community Gin Association (CN106282650) has submitted an application for Renewal of Permit Number 20612. The Moreman Community Gin Association (RN102497633) operates a cotton gin, and a grain elevator located at 10254 State Hwy 35 South, Port Lavaca, Calhoun County.

This renewal will authorize the continued operation of a Cotton Gin and a Grain Elevator. The cotton gin is a seasonal processor of raw seed cotton for area farmers. The seed cotton modules from the fields are transported to the facility and temporarily stored before processing. The seed cotton is then unloaded into the facility and is dried using hot air heated by gas burners. The leaf, stem, burrs and other plant material is then removed from the seed cotton in the precleaning equipment. This material removed is temporarily stored on-site and periodically removed by truck. The cleaned seed cotton is then "Ginned" where the seed is removed from the lint. The seed is temporarily stored on-site and periodically removed by truck. The lint then travels through lint cleaning equipment and is cleaned. Material removed from these lint cleaners is packaged into a Mote bale. The cleaned lint then travels to a Press and is packaged into a Lint bale. The mote and lint bales are periodically removed by truck.

The grain elevator is a seasonal operation that receives, stores and ships various grains (i.e. corn, milo, sorghum) grown in the area. The grain arrives in trucks that pull over the unloading pit and open the doors to allow grain to flow out. This grain builds up to the top of the pit prior to starting the unloading conveyors. This is called "plug feeding". The grain covering the conveyors minimizes the emissions of dust during the process. The grain is routed into a vertical leg that lifts the grain and deposits it into an unloading head with various outlets. A valve will be opened allowing the grain to flow to the desired storage tank or another location in storage. The grain will usually be stored for some amount of time before it is shipped. During shipping, valves under the storage tanks will open allowing grain to flow into a conveyor. This conveyor moves grain to the vertical leg which lifts the grain and deposits it into the loading spout located over a truck. A "drop sock" is used on the spout to minimize the emission of particulate matter during truck loading. Grain is unloaded, stored and loaded during the season.

Moreman Community Gin Association has listed in the application the pollutants and amounts that will be emitted for each facility. Below is the total amount for each pollutant that is proposed to be emitted each year for all the facilities.

Pollutants	Proposed Emissions (Tons Per Year)
PM	74.05
PM10	27.88
PM2.5	1.98
VOC	0.24
NOx	3.15
SO2	0.05
CO	1.82

The facilities being renewed continue to be controlled by high efficiency cyclones on the cotton gin and choke feeding at the unloading pit area and drop socks at the loading spouts for the grain elevator. These devices remove the particulate matter from the air to reduce emissions.