

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI AIR POLLUTION CONTROL PERMIT

TO CONSTRUCT AIR EMISSIONS EQUIPMENT

THIS CERTIFIES THAT

Cooper Tire and Rubber Company
1804 South Green Street
Tupelo, Mississippi
Lee County

has been granted permission to construct air emissions equipment to comply with the emission limitations, monitoring requirements and other conditions set forth herein. This permit is issued in accordance with the provisions of the Mississippi Air and Water Pollution Control Law (Section 49-17-1 et. seq., Mississippi Code of 1972), and the regulations and standards adopted and promulgated thereunder.

MISSISSIPPI ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY PERMIT BOARD



AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

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Permit No.: 1540-00008

SECTION 1

A. GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. This permit is for air pollution control purposes only.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.1.D.)

2. Any activities not identified in the application are not authorized by this permit.

(Ref.: Miss. Code Ann. 49-17-29 1.b)

3. The knowing submittal of a permit application with false information may serve as the basis for the Permit Board to void the permit issued pursuant thereto or subject the applicant to penalties for operating without a valid permit pursuant to State Law.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.2.B(5).)

4. It is the responsibility of the applicant/permittee to obtain all other approvals, permits, clearances, easements, agreements, etc., which may be required including, but not limited to, all required local government zoning approvals or permits.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.1.D(6).)

5. The issuance of a permit does not release the permittee from liability for constructing or operating air emissions equipment in violation of any applicable statute, rule, or regulation of state or federal environmental authorities.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.2.B(7).)

6. It shall not be a defense for a permittee in an enforcement action that it would have been necessary to halt or reduce the permitted activity in order to maintain compliance with the conditions of the permit, unless halting or reducing activity would create an imminent and substantial endangerment threatening the public health and safety of the lives and property of the people of this state.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.2.B(15)(a).)

7. The permit and/or any part thereof may be modified, revoked, reopened, and reissued, or terminated for cause. Sufficient cause for a permit to be reopened shall exist when an air emissions stationary source becomes subject to Title V. The filing of a request by the permittee for a permit modification, revocation and reissuance, or termination, or of a notification of planned changes or anticipated noncompliance does not stay any permit condition.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.2.B(15)(b).)

8. The permit does not convey any property rights of any sort, or any exclusive privilege.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.2.B(15)(c).)

9. The permittee shall furnish to the DEQ within a reasonable time any information the DEQ may request in writing to determine whether cause exists for modifying, revoking and reissuing, or terminating the permit or to determine compliance with the permit. Upon request, the permittee shall also furnish to the DEQ copies of records required to be kept by the permit or, for information claimed to be confidential, the permittee shall furnish such records to the DEQ along with a claim of confidentiality. The permittee may furnish such records directly to the Administrator along with a claim of confidentiality.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.2.B(15)(d).)

10. Design and Construction Requirements: The stationary source shall be designed and constructed so as to operate without causing a violation of an Applicable Rules and Regulations, without interfering with the attainment and maintenance of State and National Ambient Air Quality Standards, and such that the emission of air toxics does not result in an ambient concentration sufficient to adversely affect human health and well-being or unreasonably and adversely affect plant or animal life beyond the stationary source boundaries.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.5.A.)

11. Solids Removal: The necessary facilities shall be constructed so that solids removed in the course of control of air emissions may be disposed of in a manner such as to prevent the solids from becoming windborne and to prevent the materials from entering State waters without the proper environmental permits.

(Ref.: Miss. Code Ann. 49-17-29)

12. Diversion and Bypass of Air Pollution Controls: The air pollution control facilities shall be constructed such that diversion from or bypass of collection and control facilities is not needed except as provided for in 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 1.10., "Air Emission Regulations for the Prevention, Abatement, and Control of Air Contaminants."

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 1.10.)

13. Fugitive Dust Emissions from Construction Activities: The construction of the stationary source shall be performed in such a manner so as to reduce fugitive dust emissions from construction activities to a minimum.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.5.A(4).)

14. Right of Entry: The permittee shall allow the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality Office of Pollution Control and the Mississippi Environmental Quality Permit Board and/or their representatives upon presentation of credentials:

- a) To enter upon the permittee's premises where an air emission source is located or in which any records are required to be kept under the terms and conditions of this permit; and
- b) At reasonable times to have access to and copy any records required to be kept under the terms and conditions of this permit; to inspect any monitoring equipment or monitoring method required in this permit; and to sample any air emissions.

(Ref.: Miss. Code Ann. 49-17-21)

15. Permit Modification or Revocation: After notice and opportunity for a hearing, the Permit Board may modify the permit or revoke it in whole or in part for good cause shown including, but not limited to:

- a) Persistent violation of any of the terms or conditions of this permit;
- b) Obtaining this permit by misrepresentation or failure to disclose fully all relevant facts; or
- c) A change in federal, state, or local laws or regulations that require either a temporary or permanent reduction or elimination of previously authorized air emission.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.2.C.)

16. Public Record and Confidential Information: Except for data determined to be confidential under the Mississippi Air & Water Pollution Control Law, all reports prepared in accordance with the terms of this permit shall be available for public inspection at the offices of the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, Office of Pollution Control.

(Ref.: Miss. Code Ann. 49-17-39)

17. Permit Transfer: This permit shall not be transferred except upon approval of the Permit Board.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.16.B.)

18. Severability: The provisions of this permit are severable. If any provision of the permit, or the application of any provision of the permit to any circumstances, is challenged or held invalid, the validity of the remaining permit provisions and/or portions thereof or their application to other persons or sets of circumstances, shall not be affected thereby.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.1.D(7).)

19. Permit Expiration: The permit to construct will expire if construction does not begin within eighteen (18) months from the date of issuance or if construction is suspended for eighteen (18) months or more.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.5.C(1).)

20. Certification of Construction: A new stationary source issued a Permit to Construct cannot begin operation until certification of construction by the permittee.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.5.D(3).)

21. Beginning Operation: Except as prohibited in Section 1, Condition 24 of this permit, after certification of construction by the permittee, the Permit to Construct shall be deemed to satisfy the requirement for a permit to operate until the date the application for issuance or modification of the Title V Permit or the application for issuance or modification of the State Permit to Operate, whichever is applicable, is due. This provision is not applicable to a source excluded from the requirement for a permit to operate as provided by 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.13.G.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.5.D(4).)

22. Application for a Permit to Operate: Except as otherwise specified in Section 1, Condition 24 of this permit, the application for issuance or modification of the State Permit to Operate or the Title V Permit, whichever is applicable, is due twelve (12) months after beginning operation or such earlier date or time as specified in the Permit to Construct. The Permit Board may specify an earlier date or time for submittal of the application. Beginning operation will be assumed to occur upon certification of construction, unless the permittee specifies differently in writing.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.5.D(5).)

23. Operating Under a Permit to Construct: Except as otherwise specified in Section 1, Condition 24 of this permit, upon submittal of a timely and complete application for issuance or modification of a State Permit to Operate or a Title V Permit, whichever is applicable, the applicant may continue to operate under the terms and conditions of the Permit to Construct and in compliance with the submitted application until the Permit Board issues, modifies, or denies the Permit to Operate.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.5.D(6).)

24. Application Requirements for a Permit to Operate for Moderate Modifications: For moderate modifications that require contemporaneous enforceable emissions reductions from more than one emission point in order to “net” out of PSD/NSR, the applicable Title V Permit to Operate or State Permit to Operate must be modified prior to beginning operation of the modified facilities.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.5.D(7).)

25. General Duty: All air emission equipment shall be operated as efficiently as possible to provide the maximum reduction of air contaminants.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.2.B(10).)

26. Deviation Reporting: Except as otherwise specified herein, the permittee shall report all deviations from permit requirements, including those attributable to upsets, the probable cause of such deviations, and any corrective actions or preventive measures taken. Said report shall be made within five (5) working days of the time the deviation began.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.2.B(10).)

27. Compliance Testing: Regarding compliance testing:

- a) The results of any emissions sampling and analysis shall be expressed both in units consistent with the standards set forth in any Applicable Rules and Regulations or this permit and in units of mass per time.
- b) Compliance testing will be performed at the expense of the permittee.
- c) Each emission sampling and analysis report shall include but not be limited to the following:
 - (1) detailed description of testing procedures;
 - (2) sample calculation(s);
 - (3) results; and
 - (4) comparison of results to all Applicable Rules and Regulations and to emission limitations in the permit.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.6.B(3), (4), and (6).)

B. GENERAL NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

1. Within fifteen (15) days of beginning actual construction, the permittee must notify DEQ in writing that construction has begun.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.5.C(2).)

2. The permittee must notify DEQ in writing when construction does not begin within eighteen (18) months of issuance or if construction is suspended for eighteen (18) months or more.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.5.C(3).)

3. Upon the completion of construction or installation of an approved stationary source or modification, and prior to commencing operation, the applicant shall notify the Permit Board that construction or installation was performed in accordance with the approved plans and specifications on file with the Permit Board.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.5.D(1) and (3).)

4. The Permit Board shall be promptly notified in writing of any change in construction from the previously approved plans and specifications or permit. If the Permit Board determines the changes are substantial, it may require the submission of a new application to construct with “as built” plans and specifications. Notwithstanding any provision herein to the contrary, the acceptance of an “as built” application shall not constitute a waiver of the right to seek compliance penalties pursuant to State Law.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.5.D(2).)

SECTION 2
EMISSION POINT DESCRIPTION

The permittee is authorized to construct and operate, upon certification of construction, air emissions equipment, as described in the following table.

Emission Point	Description
AM-113	Mixer #8 Charge Door with internal mixer, equipped with a baghouse for emissions control that discharges to the atmosphere
AM-114	Mixer #8 Drop Door with internal mixer and sheeter, equipped with a baghouse for emissions control that discharges to the atmosphere

**SECTION 3
EMISSION LIMITATIONS AND STANDARDS**

Emission Point	Applicable Requirement	Condition Number(s)	Pollutant/Parameter	Limitation/Standard
AA-000 (Facility Wide)	11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.2.B(10).	3.1	VOC	≤ 249 tons/year for each consecutive 12-month period
	11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 1.3.F(1).	3.2	PM (filterable only)	$E = 4.1p^{0.67}$
	11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 1.3.A.	3.3	Opacity	< 40 %
	11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 1.3.B.	3.4		
AM-113 AM-114	11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.2.B(10).	3.5	PM (filterable only)	Shall not operate without associated control equipment

3.1 For Emission Point AA-000 (Facility Wide), the permittee shall not emit more than 249 tons per year of total VOC, determined monthly for each consecutive 12-month period.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code, Pt. 2, R. 2.2.B(10).)

3.2 For Emission Point AA-000 (Facility Wide), the permittee shall not cause, permit, or allow the emission of particulate matter (filterable only) in total quantities in any one hour from any manufacturing process, which includes any associated stacks, vents, outlets, or combination thereof, to exceed the amount determined by the relationship:

$$E = 4.1 p^{0.67}$$

where E is the emission rate in pounds per hour and p is the process weight input rate in tons per hour.

Conveyor discharge of coarse solid matter may be allowed if no nuisance is created beyond property boundary where the discharge occurs.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 1.3.F(1).)

3.3 For Emission Point AA-000 (Facility Wide), the permittee shall not cause, permit, or allow the emission of smoke from a point source into the open air from any manufacturing, industrial, commercial or waste disposal process which exceeds forty (40) percent opacity subject to the exceptions provided in (a) & (b).

- (a) Startup operations may produce emissions which exceed 40% opacity for up to fifteen (15) minutes per startup in any one hour and not to exceed three (3) startups per stack in any twenty-four (24) hour period.
- (b) Emissions resulting from soot blowing operations shall be permitted provided such emissions do not exceed 60 percent opacity, and provided further that the aggregate duration of such emissions during any twenty-four (24) hour period does not exceed ten (10) minutes per billion BTU gross heating value of fuel in any one hour.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 1.3.A.)

- 3.4 For Emission Point AA-000 (Facility Wide), the permittee shall not cause, allow, or permit the discharge into the ambient air from any point source or emissions, any air contaminant of such opacity as to obscure an observer's view to a degree in excess of 40% opacity, equivalent to that provided in Condition 3.3. This shall not apply to vision obscuration caused by uncombined water droplets.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 1.3.B.)

- 3.5 For Emission Points AM-113 and AM-114, the permittee shall not operate without the associated control equipment.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.2.B(10).)

**SECTION 4
WORK PRACTICES**

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STANDARDS APPLY TO THIS PERMIT ACTION**

**SECTION 5
MONITORING AND RECORDKEEPING REQUIREMENTS**

Emission Point	Applicable Requirement	Condition Number(s)	Pollutant/Parameter	Monitoring/Recordkeeping Requirement
AA-000 (Facility Wide)	11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.2.B(11).	5.1	VOC	Monthly Recordkeeping
AM-113 AM-114		5.2	Opacity	Visible Emissions Observations
		5.3	PM	Weekly Baghouse Inspections and Maintenance

5.1 For Emission Point AA-000 (Facility-wide), the permittee shall maintain monthly production records to determine the total VOC emissions for each 12-month period. The records shall include the following information:

- (a) The total amount of rubber processed on a monthly basis and for each consecutive 12-month period;
- (b) Identification of the VOC-containing material used on a monthly basis and in each consecutive 12-month period, including:
 - (1) The total amount of each VOC-containing material (by volume or weight) used each month.
 - (2) The total VOC contents of each VOC-containing material. A description of the methodology used to determine the VOC content.
 - (3) The density of each coating, adhesive, solvent, or other VOC containing material used, unless the material usage is measured in pounds.
- (c) Calculations to determine the monthly and rolling 12-month total VOC emissions using the records required above.

The permittee shall maintain copies of all records and reports on site and shall make them available upon request by DEQ personnel. The permittee shall submit a summary of these records to DEQ in accordance with Condition 6.1.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R 2.2.B(11).)

5.2 For Emission Points AM-113 and AM-114, the permittee shall conduct Method 22 visual emission observations on all exhaust stacks on a weekly basis and whenever there is a public complaint of visible emissions. Each visual observation shall be conducted for a minimum of six (6) consecutive minutes. Visual observations shall be conducted during daylight hours and during conditions representative of normal operation. If any visible emissions (not including condensed water vapor) are observed, the permittee shall:

- (a) Take corrective action that eliminates the visible emissions within 24 hours;
- (b) Verify that the air emissions equipment and/or any associated air pollution equipment is operating normally, in accordance with design and standard procedures, and under the same conditions in which compliance was achieved in the past; and
- (c) Perform an additional visual observation of six consecutive minutes within three (3) business days.

If the corrective action does not result in “no visible emissions” being observed from the emission point, the permittee shall notify DEQ in writing within five (5) business days and shall have a certified visual emissions observer perform a visible emissions observation using EPA Reference Method 9 within five (5) business days of performing the initial visual observation.

The permittee shall record and maintain records documenting the following:

- (a) Identification of stack and/or Emission Point;
- (b) Results of all required visual observations, including Method 9 testing results when applicable
- (c) Description of corrective action taken and a statement of verification that the emission unit and the associated pollution control device are operating normally; and
- (d) Date and time any visible emissions were abated.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R 2.2.B(11).)

- 5.3 For Emission Points AM-113 and AM-114, the permittee shall perform weekly inspections and any maintenance as needed to maintain proper operation of all baghouses for achieving the 98% PM control efficiency.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.2.B(11).)

**SECTION 6
REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

Emission Point	Applicable Requirement	Condition Number(s)	Reporting Requirement
AA-000 (Facility Wide)	11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.2.B(11).	6.1	Semiannual Reporting
		6.2	Exceedances Reported within 10 days of occurrence

6.1 For Emission Point AA-000 (Facility-wide), the permittee shall submit a semi-annual report due by July 31 and January 31 for the preceding six-month period. This report shall contain the following:

- (a) A summary of the total VOC emission rate in tons per year for each rolling 12-month period during the reporting period. The permittee shall also include a summary of the methodology for these calculations.
- (b) At a minimum, any visible emissions detected, any corrective action undertaken, results of any Method 9 opacity observations, and any weekly inspections that were not performed.
- (c) Records of the inspections and the maintenance performed on each baghouse.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.2.B(11).)

6.2 The permittee shall report any exceedance of the limitations outlined in this permit to DEQ no later than ten days following the end of the month in which the exceedance occurred and shall report the cause of the exceedance and the action taken and/or to be taken to correct it.

(Ref.: 11 Miss. Admin. Code Pt. 2, R. 2.2.B(11).)