

NATURAL GAS LIQUID SAMPLING LEVERAGING 60 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE IN TEXAS

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Mustang Sampling – Who We Are

- Mustang Sampling is dedicated to providing Analytically Accurate[®] solutions, products, systems, and services to all areas of the natural gas industry
 - Complete fiscal metering systems
 - Orifice, Ultrasonic, Coriolis, Turbine Meters
 - Sampling systems for natural gas, liquids, and LNG
 - Energy measurement systems
 - Design, Civil, Construction, Commissioning, Sales, and Maintenance support
- Product Development
 - Sampling products developed primarily from necessity
 - Virtually all products address specific customer need



Mustang Sampling Core Business



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Mustang Sampling's Experience



- Natural Gas Liquid Analysis is Core Competency
 - Early experience developed in Texas in and around Mont Belvieu
 - Enterprise Products
 - ONEOK
 - Used vaporizing techniques to convert liquids to gas
 - Expanded to heavier liquids than ethane and propane
 - Created Intellectual property available globally
 - Appalachian Storage Hub will be similar to Mont Belvieu





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Global Natural Gas Growth Led by US Shale

Key Features (BP Report)

- Global natural gas growth will be led by US Shale
- Largest single demand growth is LNG export
- Second largest demand is electricity production
- Energy consumption will continue to grow globally for decades (or longer)
- Competition from Qatar & Australia is urging US construction
- NGL production is linked to natural gas associated deposits

Base case: Natural gas

Strong growth in global gas supplies led by US shale...



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Wide Distribution of Energy Values

Typical Shale Gas Heating Values

Shale Features

- Gas composition is strongly dependent on exact location and depth
- May not meet interchangeability requirements for fuel
- Liquid content has significant value
- Variations change with time from same locations





Ethane Production Forecast & Fundamentals U.S.A. by Region

Key Features & Fundamentals (US DOE Report)

- NGL production is linked to natural gas as associated deposits along with other heavier alkanes (propane, butane, ...)
- <u>Ethane is used almost exclusively to</u> produce ethylene, which is used in the petrochemical industry to produce plastics
- <u>Ethane transportation requires dedicated</u> pipelines and is difficult to move otherwise
- Supply and demand must be closely matched (due to last two bullet points), so large supplies of domestic NGL's dictate local storage be made available
- Petrochemical industry flourishes as supply grows



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NGL Production Forecast

 Key Features
NGL production has continued to increase with natural gas production for almost ten years

Production by Type

- Ethane represents about 40% of the total NGL market by volume
- Associated liquids often dictate drilling, financial dynamics



U.S. production of natural gas plant liquids

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Mont Belvieu, TX Storage Hub

Key Features Associated with NGL

- Map is approximately 10 square miles
- Facility has roots more than 60 years old
- Enterprise, ONEOK, Lone Star NGL, & Targa Resources have major facilities
- Area includes Natural Gas Processing Plants, Fractionation Plants, NGL Pipelines, NGL Storage, Import & Export Facilities, Rail & Truck Facilities
- Facility is located within 30 miles of Houston, Texas (4.7M people)
- Facility is often confused with Strategic Oil Reserve due to its size and location



Potential & Existing Ethane Impact in Appalachian Valley







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What is Natural Gas? And Why is the Composition Important?



Natural gas is a naturally occurring hydrocarbon gas mixture consisting primarily of methane, but commonly including varying amounts of other higher alkanes, and sometimes a small percentage of carbon dioxide, nitrogen, hydrogen sulfide, or helium (Petro-wiki)

- Natural gas is not all the same. Natural gas components vary with location, depth, and time.
- The behavior of natural gas depends on the composition and conditions of the gas.
- The value of individual components within natural gas are different, so more valuable components are often stripped from the mixture to sell separately (e.g. propane)
- The energy value of natural gas depends on the composition of the gas. Generally, higher methane values equate to lower energy values.
 - Monetization of natural gas requires full knowledge of the composition.
- Natural gas composition measurement is required for safety and compliance.



Fundamentals of Sampling

Sampling allows the user to understand the content of their vessel or pipeline

Analytically Accurate sampling requires <u>all</u> of the following:

Tapping sample from reservoir contained in vessel or pipeline Extraction of a representative sample from a vessel or pipeline Transportation of sample to sample conditioning system Adjustment of sample pressure and temperature Transformation to gas phase of sample if needed Delivery of sample to analyzer







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Sampling & Analysis of Natural Gas Analytically Accurate[®] Methods & Processes



Sampling & Analysis of Natural Gas Liquid Analytically Accurate[®] Methods & Processes



Phase Curve Elements Pure Substance vs. Mixture







Phase Curve – Dry Gas



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Phase Curve – Wet Gas

Phase Curve with Vaporizer and Mustang[®] Heated Joule-Thomson Regulator at 140° F









Phase Curve – Natural Gas Liquids

Phase Curve with Vaporizer and Mustang[®] Heated Joule-Thomson Regulator at 300° F





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NGL Sample Conditioning

- Vaporization is necessary for heavy or liquid samples
 - Boiling point determines requirement
 - Line between liquid and vapor not clear
- Required temperature may exceed limits of equipment in some cases
- Sample points may not be ideal
 - Sample point often inside two phase envelope
 - Liquid volume fractions fluctuate widely near critical points







Mustang[®] Vaporizer – MV[™]

The Mustang Vaporizer (MV) flash vaporizes liquid samples for introduction into gas analysis systems. Liquid samples are maintained near line conditions until reaching a flash chamber within the vaporizer, preventing pre-vaporization. The energy for vaporization is provided by an electric cartridge heater with sufficiently large surface area to maintain a stable gas temperature throughout the process.





- Thermal cutoff
- Versatile conduit connections
- Integral heater and controller
- Integral flow restrictor on inlet

Mustang Vacuum Jacketed Tubing – VJT[®]



This highly efficient design of the Mustang Vacuum Jacketed tubing utilizes multilayered material within a vacuumsealed space for efficient insulation of the inner liquid transfer line.

Non-conductive spacers are utilized for the inner line which reduces heat transfer. This flexible stainless steel tubing is custom-designed to meet individual project needs for inner pipe size and overall length. Flow and various application requirements are considered with each engineered unit for continuity of quality.



- Non-conductive spacers
- Flexible stainless steel tubing
- Patented gas-line probe adapter for connecting vacuum jacketed tubing

Mustang Certiprobe® Threaded Sample Extractor

The threaded Mustang Certiprobe is the initial access point for a sampling system within a natural gas, natural gas liquid, chemical process, or biogas pipeline or vessel. The Certiprobe is available in a variety of lengths, materials, and pressure ratings to accommodate a wide range of applications in threaded configurations.

The Certiprobe sample extractor design includes Nondestructive Examination (NDE) of Positive Material Identification (PMI) and Dye Penetrant Inspection (DPI) for all welds. Stress analysis is performed, using pipeline conditions, prior to pipeline installation.



- **Customer-specified** metallurgy & rating
- Includes NDE, Dye Penetrant (PT),
- Hydrotest, and PMI (if requested)

- Threaded design
- Large bore diameter
- Designed for high velocity gas stream

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Mustang[®] NGL Sample Conditioning System – MNGL[®]



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SINGLE TEMPERATURE CONTROLLER

Item Number	Description
1	Stainless Steel Insulated Enclosure
2	Mustang [®] Vaporizer
3	Sample Inlet (from process)
4	Sample Outlet (to analyzer(s))
5	Single or Multi-Stage Mustang [®] Heated Regulator
6	Power Switch
7	PID Temperature Controller



Mustang[®] NGL Sample Conditioning System – MNGL[®]



Item Number	Description
1	Manual Liquid Pressure Regulator
2	Single Path Mustang [®] Vaporizer
3	Power Switch
4	RS-485 Communications
5	Dual PID Temperature Controller
6	Stainless Steel Insulated Enclosure
7	Sample Outlet
8	Single or Multi-Stage Mustang [®] Heated Regulator
9	Heated Liquid Block
10	Drain



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Mustang[®] NGL Sample Conditioning System – MNGL®



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DUAL TEMPERATURE CONTROLLER with FILTRATION & SHUT DOWN

#	Description
1	Stainless Steel Insulated Enclosure
2	Sample Inlet (from process)
3	Particulate Filter
4	Filter Drain to Speed Loop
5	Coalescing Filter
6	Manual Liquid Regulator
7	Shut-off Valve
8	Single Path Mustang Vaporizer
9	Single or Multi-stage Mustang Heated Regulator

#	Description
10	Sample Outlet (to analyzer)
11	Power Source Switch
12	Dual PID Temperature Controller
13	Communications Port
14	Armored Flow Meter
15	Liquid Drain
16	Thermal Shut-off Valve
17	Relief Valve







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NGL Specification (Y-Grade)

Version: November 16, 2012



Lone Star NGL Pipeline LP Lone Star NGL Mont Belvieu LP Lone Star NGL Fractionators LLC

Y-GRADE PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

Acceptable Y-Grade shall be a mixture of constituents or component products of natural gas liquids (NGLs) composed principally of ethane, propane, butane and natural gasolines, meeting the following product specifications:

CHARACTERISTIC	PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS	TEST METHOD
Composition:		
Methane, maximum	See Note 1	GPA 2177
Aromatics, maximum	See Note 2	GPA 2186
Olefins, maximum	1.0 L.V. %	GPA 2186
Carbon Dioxide:		
PPM by Volume in Liquid	500 maximum	GPA 2177
Vapor Pressure:		
psig at 100° F	600 maximum	ASTM D-6378
Corrosiveness:		
Copper strip at 100° F	No. 1	ASTM D-1838
Total Sulfur:		
PPM by weight, maximum	150	ASTM D-2784
Hydrogen Sulfide:		
Pass/Fail	Pass	ASTM D-2420
Distillation:		
End point at 14.7 psia, maximum	375.0° F	ASTM D-7344
See Note 3		
Color:		
Saybolt Number, minimum	+25.0	ASTM D-6045
See Note 3		
Existing Gum:		
Washed	<=1mg/100ml	ASTM D-381
Unwashed	<=1mg/100ml	
Dryness:		
Free Water at 34° F	None	Visual Inspection
Product Temperature:		
Minimum	60° F	1
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Note 1: Methane not to exceed either 0.5 L.V. % of the total stream or 1.5 L.V. % of the ethane content. For accounting purposes a maximum of 1.5 L.V. % methane in the ethane will be considered ethane. Any excess above this specification shall not be accounted for.

Note 2: Aromatics not to exceed either 1.0 wt. % in the total stream or 10 L.V. % in contained natural gasoline

Note 3: Distillation and Color to be run on that portion of the mixture having a boiling point of 70° F and above at atmospheric pressure.

General Contaminants Note: The Y-Grade shall be commercially free from sand, dust, gums, gum-producing substances, oil, glycol, inhibitors, amine, caustics, chlorides, oxygenates, heavy metals, any other contaminants that make it unfit for its commonly used applications and any compound added to the product to enhance the ability to meet these specifications.

Abbreviations: ASTM = American Society for Testing and Materials, Standard Test Procedures; $^{\circ}$ F = Degrees Fahrenheit, GPA = Gas Processors Association; LV. $^{\circ}$ = hiquid volume percent; mg = milligrams; ml = milliliters; PPM = Parts per Million; pisa = pounds per square inch absolute; wt. $^{\circ}$ = percentage by weight.

The aforementioned specifications may be modified from time to time in the sole discretion of the issuing entity.

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Copper strip at 100° F	No. 1	ASTM D-1838	
Total Sulfur:			
PPM by weight, maximum	150	ASTM D-2784	
Hydrogen Sulfide:			
Pass/Fail	Pass	ASTM D-2420	
Distillation:			
End point at 14.7 psia, maximum	375.0° F	ASTM D-7344	
See Note 3			
Color:			
Saybolt Number, minimum	+25.0	ASTM D-6045	
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Standards for NGL Measurement Combination of API, GPA, & ASTM Standards







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