

# GEA CO2 RECOVERY SYSTEM

CO<sub>2</sub> Recovery System for beer and alcoholic beverages.





The CO<sub>2</sub> recovery plant from GEA enables the recovery of CO<sub>2</sub> that is released to the environment during the alcoholic fermentation process. The recovered CO<sub>2</sub> complies with the highest quality standards in the food industry and can be reused, for example, to carbonise beverages.

The application of a CO<sub>2</sub> recovery system enables breweries and other beverage producers to improve their carbon footprint, as no CO<sub>2</sub> has to be purchased.

During the recovery process, the CO<sub>2</sub> is purified in its gaseous condition, subsequently compressed and liquefied. The high-purity CO<sub>2</sub> is available in liquid condition in a storage tank for own use or for sale.

The GEA CO<sub>2</sub> system is designed on the basis of the

calculated CO<sub>2</sub> quantity from the fermentation process and the local conditions at the customer's site. It is our goal to integrate the system optimally into the customer's existing processes. This ensures an efficient operation and a long system durability.

#### Features:

- Reduced CO<sub>2</sub> emission - improved carbon footprint
- CO<sub>2</sub> quality - highest quality on pure CO<sub>2</sub> gas - EIGA Doc 70/17 and ISBT
- Independent from the CO<sub>2</sub> market - no CO<sub>2</sub> shortages
- Low water consumption – high efficient scrubber and water reuse
- Energy efficiency – plant designed for efficient plant operation

- Energy recovery – utilizing potential energy sources from process
- Lifetime costs – low TCO due to high plant efficiency and availability
- Seamless integration – GEA holistic process knowledge
- Fully automatic control system
- Simple operation
- Payback period: 1.5 - 4 years

#### High quality at best efficiency

- CO<sub>2</sub>-purity: 99,998%
- Oxygen content ≤ 5 ppm
- CO<sub>2</sub> plant capacity: 150 - 5,000 kg/h; plants with higher capacity on request
- Water consumption<sup>39)</sup>: < 0.7 l/kg CO<sub>2</sub>
- Electrical power consumption<sup>39)</sup>: 0.22 kWh/kg CO<sub>2</sub>

## Technical Data

| CO <sub>2</sub> Data at plant inlet (raw gas) |                        | CO <sub>2</sub> Data at plant outlet (pure gas) <sup>1*)</sup> |                  |
|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| Purity inlet CO <sub>2</sub> plant            | 98 %                   | Purity                                                         | 99.998 %         |
| Relative humidity                             | < 100 %                | Dew point                                                      | < -50 °C         |
| Temperature                                   | 10 - 20 °C             | DMS                                                            | < 0.10 ppm (v/v) |
| Pressure                                      | approx. 1 bar abs.     | O <sub>2</sub> content                                         | < 5 ppm (v/v)    |
| Ethyl alcohol                                 | max. < 2.000 ppm (v/v) | N <sub>2</sub> content                                         | < 20 ppm (v/v)   |
| Acetaldehyde                                  | max. < 20 ppm (v/v)    | H <sub>2</sub> S content <sup>2*)</sup>                        | < 0.10 ppm (v/v) |
| Ethyl acetate                                 | < 10 ppm (v/v)         |                                                                |                  |
| H <sub>2</sub> S <sup>2*)</sup>               | max. < 5 ppm (v/v)     |                                                                |                  |
| DMS                                           | max. < 2 ppm (v/v)     |                                                                |                  |
| Chloride                                      | < 3 ppm (v/v)          |                                                                |                  |
| Chlorine                                      | < 0.01 ppm (v/v)       |                                                                |                  |

Remark: The CO<sub>2</sub> raw gas should not be aggressive against stainless steel and normal steel.

<sup>1\*)</sup> Based on EIGA Doc 70/17

<sup>2\*)</sup> Only when H<sub>2</sub>S Filter is installed without H<sub>2</sub>S Filter no Plant outlet value for H<sub>2</sub>S content can be quarantined.

<sup>3\*)</sup> Applies for standard purification system only.

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