

# HORIZONTAL VACUUM D-GASSER



## FEATURES

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- Totally self-contained
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- Only three moving parts
- Rugged construction
- Corrosion-resistant, epoxy coated inside and out to ensure long life and minimum maintenance

## BENEFITS

- Removes virtually all entrained gases, including H<sub>2</sub>S and corrosive oxygen, from drilling fluids
- Reduces the threat of dangerous and costly blowouts
- Handles up to 1,000 GPM (3,785.4 L/min)
- Restores mud to its original density allowing for reuse in the active mud system

Introduced in 1951, the M-I SWACO HORIZONTAL VACUUM D-GASSER<sup>†</sup> has performed reliably on over 200,000 wells and has earned its reputation as the standard of the industry.

All M-I SWACO D-GASSER units are designed to remove virtually all entrained gases, including H<sub>2</sub>S and corrosive oxygen, from drilling mud. This reduces the threat of dangerous and costly blowouts caused by recirculating gas-cut mud.

## Features

**Skid-mounted.** Simplifies spotting and installation.

**Self-contained.** The unit consists of a cylindrical vacuum tank with internal baffle system, vacuum pump, jet nozzle and three-way float valve.

**Three-way float valve.** Unique design allows venting to the flare line during H<sub>2</sub>S service.

**Simple operation.** The return-flow, gas-cut mud is drawn into the tank through a vacuum created by the discharge jet and pump. The mud is then dispersed in a thin layer over a two-tier, baffle-plate system where the entrained gas, including H<sub>2</sub>S and corrosive oxygen, is recovered by the vacuum pump. The freed gas is then discharged at a safe distance from the drilling operation while the restored mud is returned to the active mud system.

**Few moving parts.** The D-GASSER unit features only three moving parts: the float inside the vacuum vessel, the vacuum breaker valve and the vacuum pump. The float ensures that the system maintains the desired mud-fill level within the vessel during operation.

**High performance.** The D-GASSER unit can handle up to 1,000 GPM (3,785.4 L/min) while restoring mud to its original density.

**Built rugged.** The unit is ruggedly built and coated inside and out with a corrosion-resistant epoxy to ensure long life and minimum maintenance.

## How It Works

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## Specifications

| D-GASSER        | Length<br>in. (mm) | Width<br>in. (mm) | Height<br>in. (mm) | Weight<br>lb (kg) |
|-----------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Horizontal Unit | 157 (3,988)        | 42 (1,067)        | 87 (2,210)         | 3,350 (1,521)     |

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