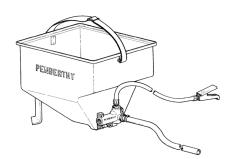


# **PENBERTHY** MODEL GSA ANOLODER FOR AN-FO (AMMONIUM NITRATE - FUEL OIL) BLASTING INSTALLATION, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS

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#### PRODUCT WARRANTY

Emerson warrants its Penberthy products as designed and manufactured to be free of defects in the material and workmanship for a period of one year after the date of installation or eighteen months after the date of manufacture, whichever is earliest. Emerson will, at its option, replace or repair any products which fail during the warranty period due to defective material or workmanship.

Prior to submitting any claim for warranty service, the owner must submit proof of purchase to Emerson and obtain written authorization to return the product. Thereafter, the product shall be returned to Emerson with freight prepaid.

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The responsibility of Emerson hereunder is limited to repairing or replacing the product at its expense. Emerson shall not be liable for loss, damage or expenses related directly or indirectly to the installation or use of its products, or from any other cause or for consequential damages. It is expressly understood that Emerson is not responsible for damage or injury caused to other products, buildings, personnel or property, by reason of the installation or use of its products.

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## **1 ABOUT THE MANUAL**

This manual has been prepared as an aid and guide for personnel involved in installation or maintenance. All instructions must be read and understood thoroughly before attempting any installation, operation or maintenance.

Emerson does not have any control over the manner in which its anoloder is handled, installed or used. Emerson cannot and will not guarantee that the anoloder is suitable for or compatible with the user's specific application.

## WARNING

The anoloder handles prilled ammonium nitrate/ fuel oil mixtures at high pressures. If proper procedures are not followed, the operator could experience a sudden blast of high pressure dust. The operator should wear protective clothing and safety glasses before attempting to operate or perform maintenance on the anoloder. Failure to do so can result in severe personal injury and property damage.

# **2 INTRODUCTION**

Penberthy model GSA is a portable jet loader used in AN-FO blasting. The anoloder uses a high pressure air stream to educt powder into a discharge flow stream. The powder exits the nozzle at a high velocity and density to fill predrilled holes.

## 2.1 System description

The Penberthy anoloder consists of five basic components. Use the exploded parts view in Section 9 as additional reference material.

**Ejector** - aluminum ejector uses the high pressure air to create a pressure differential. When activated by the remote control valve, the air stream pulls the powder from the container and blows it into predrilled holes.

**Canister** - plastic canister contains the prilled powder and acts as a hopper to direct the powder flow to the ejector. The canister has a stainless steel fluidizing screen to deter bridging of the powder as it nears the suction port of the ejector. Aluminum legs are bolted to the canister to make it sturdy on level ground.

**Remote control hose/valve** - aluminum valve allows the operator to control the operating air pressure by pulling the handle. The handle activates the air flow stream by bleeding a portion of the air flow which allows an internal piston to move and open the air orifice in the ejector.

**Loading hose** - static-resistant plastic hose directs the air and powder mixture into the drilled hole.

**Carrying strap** - canvas strap makes the anoloder portable. The anoloder is light enough that most operators can carry the units to various work and powder loading areas.

## 2.2 Assembly

Attach the control hose to the ejector body by screwing-in the male NPT connection on the end of the air valve control assembly. Attach the black loading hose to the outlet of the ejector diffuser using the hose clamp supplied. Emerson recommends attaching a band of adhesive tape near the end of the loading hose to indicate to the operator that the end of the hose has been reached and the drilled hole is nearly full.

Attach the air hose to the 1" NPT ejector inlet. An adapter fitting (not supplied) for air supply hose connection must be screwed into the 1" NPT connection. A lobe on the body of the ejector near the loading house provides a place to earth ground the ejector using a nut, bolt and grounding strip (strip not included).

# WARNING

Air placement of AN-FO mixtures can result in a hazard due to generation of static electricity. The 'conductive' type loading hose supplied with the model GSA anoloder in conjunction with grounding strips will generally dissipate the static charges as they are generated. To ensure safe operation applicable codes and mining regulations must be followed without exception. Neglecting to compensate for potential static electricity buildup could result in an unexpected explosion, resulting in severe personal injury and property damage.

# **3 AVAILABLE MODELS**

All anoloder models have a 1" female NPT air line connection to the ejector. The loading hose is available in a standard 25ft length or 100 ft length. Penberthy anoloders are available in three different sizes. The model size determines the loading hose size. The GSA 5%" has a 5%" diameter hose. The GSA 34" has a 34" diameter hose. The GSA 1" has a 1" diameter hose.

## 3.1 Maximum design pressure ratings at operating temperature ranges

# TABLE 1

Part description	Material	Maximum temperature	Maximum pressure	
Body	Aluminum	225°F [107°C]	110 psig [760 kPaG]	
Loading hose	Conductive PVC	140°F[60°C]	120 psig [830 kPaG]	
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# **4 INSPECTION**

#### Safety instructions

On receipt of a Penberthy Model GSA anoloder, check all components carefully for damage incurred in shipping. If damage is evident or suspected, do not attempt installation. Notify the carrier immediately and request a damage inspection.

Penberthy Model GSA anoloder comprises (1) canister with attached carrying strap and ejector, (1) remote control valve/hose assembly, (1) loading hose, (1) clamp, (1) grounding bolt and (1) grounding nut. Confirm that the delivered Model GSA anoloder: 1) matches the appropriate size and model on the purchase order and 2) accommodates the actual operating conditions at the installation site.

#### **5 OPERATION**

Only qualified, experienced personnel who are familiar with AN-FO blasting equipment and thoroughly understand the implications of the tables and all of the instructions should operate the anoloder. The anoloder is operated with 30 to 110 psig (210 to 760 kPaG) compressed air. For maximum performance keep pressure losses between air main and unit to a minimum. Dirt, mud and other foreign matter must be kept out of the air supply line.

#### 5.1 Testing

Safety glasses, gloves and protective clothing should be worn when testing the Model GSA anoloder. Connect the air hose to the anoloder and squeeze the hand control valve two or three times to test valve operation. The unit can be expected to load properly if air blows freely out loading hose.

## 5.2 Filling and operating

Pour the AN-FO into the canister to within a few inches of the top (approximately 25 lbs), or up-end the entire bag and leave it in the container. Insert loading hose into drill hole to predetermine the length of hose needed to reach the bottom of the hole. Back the hose out of the hole one to four feet from the bottom.

#### Safety instructions

Improper technique could result in a sudden blow-back of AN-FO from the drilled hole during loading. The operator should stand to one side of the drilled hole, never directly in front. Failure to avoid hole openings could result in irritating and potentially harmful AN-FO material covering the operator.

The operator should stand one to four feet from the drill hole when grasping the loading hose. Increasing this stand-off distance beyond six feet will decrease the loading density, while decreasing this distance to one foot may cause some of the AN-FO particles to be blown out of drill hole.

#### **6 MAINTENANCE**

Use only qualified, experienced personnel who are familiar with this type of equipment and thoroughly understand all the instructions in this manual. Ammonium nitrate is a corrosive and hygroscopic compound which can clog pneumatic loading equipment quickly. Maintenance is an important factor in ensuring safe anoloder operation.

#### 6.1 Cleaning

Empty any AN-FO left in the anoloder canister. Wash down the anoloder and other exposed equipment with water. Pour water into the canister and use the control valve to blow air through the ejector until all water has been removed. A screen is provided in the air inlet of the ejector to prevent foreign matter from entering the ejector. The air strainer should be removed and cleaned regularly.

In some cases it will be advisable to clean the ejector body and parts with naphtha (petroleum spirits) at regular intervals to minimize corrosion. The ejector should only be dismantled in a proper maintenance area, using the following procedure:

- unscrew ejector bonnet nut
- remove spring, piston and piston O-ring
- remove air strainer retainer ring and air strainer screen
- snap off diffuser shroud and unscrew ejector diffuser one-half turn
- clean body and parts with naphtha (petroleum spirits)
- dry parts with a clean cloth and blow out body with compressed air
- tighten diffuser, reassemble and test operation

# 6.2 Troubleshooting

TABLE 2		
Problem	Cause	Solution
Anoloder cannot be turned on or off	1. plugged piston valve	<ol> <li>take ejector apart and clean as described in previous section</li> </ol>
	2. plugged control valve	<ol><li>manipulate control valve piston, wash in water and blow out with air</li></ol>
Anoloder operated but no AN-FO exits loading hose	<ol> <li>plugged ejector inlet or loading hose</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>clean anoloder as described in previous section - be sure air lubricator has been removed from air hose</li> </ol>
Sharply reduced loading rate	<ol> <li>plugged air strainer</li> <li>dirt in ejector body</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>remove air strainer and clean</li> <li>take ejector apart and clean as described in previous section</li> </ol>
	<ol> <li>partially plugged ejector inlet or loading hose</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>clean anoloder as described in previous section - be sure air lubricator has been removed from air hose</li> </ol>
	4. air pressure at ejector is too low	4. increase air pressure to recommended range (Section 5)

#### 7 DISPOSAL AT END OF USEFUL LIFE

Penberthy Model GSA anoloders are used in a variety of fluid applications. By following the appropriate federal and industry regulations, the user must determine the extent of preparation and treatment the Model GSA anoloder must incur before its disposal. A Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) may be required before disposal services accept certain components. Metal, glass and polymers should be recycled whenever possible. Refer to order and the applicable technical data sheet for materials of construction.

#### **8 TELEPHONE ASSISTANCE**

If you are having difficulty with your Model GSA anoloder, contact your local Penberthy distributor. So that we may assist you more effectively, please have as much of the following information available as possible when you call:

- Model #
- Name of the company from whom you purchased the Model GSA anoloder
- Invoice # and date
- Process conditions (pressure, flow rates, tank shape, etc)
- A brief description of the problem
- Trouble shooting procedures that failed

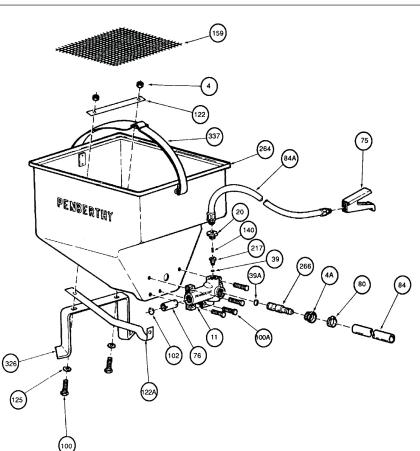
If attempts to solve your problem fail, you may request to return your Model GSA anoloder to the factory for intensive testing. You must obtain a Return Authorization (R.A.) number from Emerson before returning anything. Failure to do so will result in the unit being returned to you without being tested, freight collect. To obtain an R.A. number, the following information (in addition to that above) is needed:

- Reason for return
- Person to contact at your company
- 'Ship-to' address

There is a minimum charge for evaluation of non-warranty units. You will be contacted before any repairs are initiated should the cost exceed the minimum charge. If you return a unit under warranty, but it is not defective, the minimum charge will apply.

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### 9 EXPLODED PARTS DIAGRAM



PARTS LIST				
Ref #	Item			
4	Nut			
4A	Nut			
11	Body			
20	Ejector bonnet			
39	Piston O-ring			
39A	Cartridge O-ring			
75	Valve			
76	Strainer			
80	Clamp			
84	Loading hose			
84A	Control hose			
100	Leg screw			
100A	Ejector screw			
102	Clip			
122	Grounding strip (in)			
122A	Grounding strip (out)			
125	Washer			
140	Piston spring			
159	Canister screen			
217	Piston			
264	Canister			
266	Cartridge			
326	Support			
337	Strap			

RECOMMENDED SPARE PARTS

Ejector Repair Kit (E-Kit)

FIGURE 1

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