



Coalbed Methane  
VAM  
CDM

## Automated Extraction Monitoring System

Based on successfully field-proven technology, AEMS offers a continuous analysis and reporting package for methane extracted from coal mines.

### Benefits

- Remote monitoring
- Easy service of gas analyser
- Secure interface with remote data acquisition software
- Remote system diagnostics and maintenance
- Onsite installation and training
- Data acquisition from other onsite devices

### Features

- CH<sub>4</sub> measurement
- Low range option for VAM applications
- Other gases available on request
- Wireless communication
- Auto-calibration option - increases accuracy and verifies results
- Output signal options
- Gas conditioning
- Connect to other onsite devices
- Up to 5 gas sample lines per system

### Applications

- Coalbed methane
- VAM
- CDM projects



## Technical Specifications

The Automated Extraction Monitoring System (AEMS) comprises two enclosures referred to as the Field Analytical Unit (FAU) and the Field Server Unit (FSU).

The **FAU** contains the gas analyser instrument together with gas path components.

The **FSU** contains the electrical components that control the gathering, storing and transmission of data to the internet, together with the associate power supplies and interfaces for auxiliary channels such as 4-20mA outputs.

### AEMS - Coalbed Methane

#### GENERAL SPECIFICATION

Number of gas monitoring points	Up to 5
Gases to be monitored	CH <sub>4</sub> , CO <sub>2</sub> , O <sub>2</sub> , H <sub>2</sub> S (optional), CO (optional)
Optional input and output channels	Temperature probe 4-20mA inputs 4-20mA outputs Thermocouple inputs RTD inputs
Reading intervals	From every 2 minutes for storing From every 10 seconds for monitoring - this allows 4-20mA outputs to be updated frequently
Automatic downloading of readings to Internet	Via GPRS modem, landline modem or Ethernet
Power supply	110 or 230 VAC 50/60Hz
Operating temperature range	-10 to +40°C (FSU chamber has heater and optional air conditioning)

#### FAU SPECIFICATION

Analyser instrument	Can be easily detached to be sent for routine service and calibration, and replaced temporarily by another instrument
Air purge and zero	Allows purging of electrochemical cells, span calibration of O <sub>2</sub> , and zero calibration of CH <sub>4</sub> , H <sub>2</sub> S and CO.
Optional auto calibration	Calibrated gas cylinder, typically mix of 60% CH <sub>4</sub> , 40% CO <sub>2</sub> attached to system. Programmable calibration frequency. Allows span calibration of CH <sub>4</sub> and CO <sub>2</sub> , and zero calibration of O <sub>2</sub> . Pressure switch monitors calibration gas cylinder to warn if a replacement is needed
Temperature probe	-10 to +75°C
Sample line length	Up to 30m
Sample flow	350ml/min typical in free air
Humidity of gas sample	Up to 100% RH
Input pressure range	+250mbar to -250mbar
Sample conditioning	Water trap comprising a coalescing and particulate filter, followed by a PTFE membrane. A manual drain is fitted to the water trap
Enclosure	Painted steel 760 x 600 x 210 mm rated IP54 (or optional Stainless Steel 760 x 600 x 210 mm IP54)
Weight	40 kg

#### Accuracy of optional gas cells

H <sub>2</sub> S 5000ppm	±100ppm or ±5% of reading (if greater)
CO 500ppm	10% of FS



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FAU SPECIFICATION, cont'd.				
Accuracy of main gas channels				
	Range	Accuracy without autocal (with autocal) (% gas)		
		0 - 5%	5 - 15%	15% - FS
CH <sub>4</sub>	0 - 70%	0.5% (0.2%)	1% (0.2%)	3% (0.2%)
CO <sub>2</sub>	0 - 60%	0.5% (0.2%)	1% (0.2%)	3% (0.2%)
O <sub>2</sub>	0 - 25%	1% (0.5%)	1% (0.5%)	1% (0.5%)
FSU SPECIFICATION				
Power supply	230VAC 50/60Hz 3A or 110VAC 50/60Hz 7A. Poor mains supplies are tolerated as backup batteries support the system			
Power consumption	Maximum 140W (plus 500W with heater on) Typical 50W (with heater off)			
Backup batteries	Two lead acid 12v 7Ahr. In the event of mains failure, system will continue to run for approximately 8 hours.			
Main processor board	Embedded processor board running Microsoft Windows CE 5 Operating System.			
PLC	PLC to support solenoid switching, and optional I/O.			
Communication options	Quad Band GPRS modem, landline modem, Ethernet.			
Enclosure	Painted steel 1000 x 600 x 250 mm IP54 (or optional stainless steel 1000 x 800 x 300 mm IP54)			
Weight	53 kg including 5 kg for batteries (Stainless steel option 65 kg including 5 kg for batteries)			
Air conditioning	Optional, 400W, 230VAC or 110VAC. The power is in addition to the standard power requirement above			
COMMUNICATIONS				
Readings	Stored locally on flash memory. Automatically transferred to online database at configurable scheduled intervals. Capacity - typically 10,000 readings (depends on system configuration). Local storage is cleared only after successful transmission has been verified			
Log files	For diagnostic purposes, log files record a log of the actions carried out by the system. The amount of detail to be stored is pre-selected. The files are uploaded at programmable intervals.			
Alarm notifications	Channels can trigger immediate email and/ or SMS notifications when values fall below, or rise above, specified values.			
Application software updates	Application software can be updated remotely. The system will automatically restart and run the new application.			
Programming updates	Reading interval, calibration interval, and many other parameters can be updated remotely.			
Web based analysis software	Access can be gained via the web to the uploaded readings. The sophisticated analysis software provides graphing and reporting functions			
<i>Due to Geotechnical Instruments' continuous programme of improvement, this specification is subject to change without prior notice.</i>				