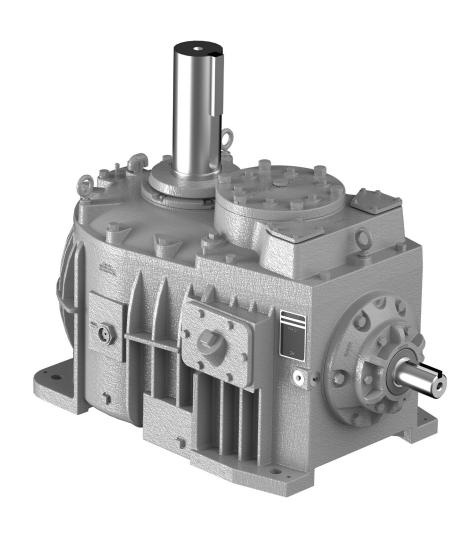


# **Geareducer**® Mseries gear drive

INSTALLATION - OPERATION - MAINTENANCE

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# fan hub installation

The following instructions detail the process for installing a fan on a Marley Geareducer with a straight fan shaft using a split taper bushing.

- Remove the retention plate and hardware from the top of the Geareducer shaft. Thoroughly clean the fan shaft, fan shaft key, and the fan hub center bore to remove any debris and/or protective coatings. After cleaning, apply a coat of anti-seize compound to the top 7" (180mm) of the fan shaft.
- 2. Prior to hub installation, fully seat the key in the fan shaft keyway. The key is a tight fit across the width and must never be altered.
- 3. Raise the fan hub above the fan shaft for installation. Slowly lower the hub onto the shaft with the keyways properly aligned. Make certain the key does not slide down during installation. Stake the key in the keyway with a center punch if necessary. The fan shaft key should be approximately centered in the engaged portion of the hub when engaged on the shaft. Verify the center hub is fully seated by visual inspection.
- 4. **Figure 1** illustrates proper retention plate and hardware installation. Torque the retention bolts to 70 ft·lb<sub>f</sub> (95 N·m).

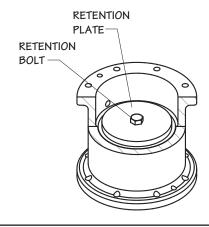


Figure 1 Retention Plate Assembly

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## Corrosion and Dry Start-Up Protection

Marley Geareducer gear drives utilize iron and steel materials, which if not maintained correctly, may degrade. While some external corrosion is acceptable, an internal lubrication film must be maintained at all times to protect the working components against corrosion and potential startup damage. The following information describes methods of operation and preventive measures to ensure suitability for long-term operation.

### **Status Definitions**

#### Pre-Commission

Duration\* = Up to 4 months after receipt.

\*export shipment status duration is reduced by 1 month

This is the as-shipped condition, which contains a factory rustproofing coating on the interior of the unit as well as a grease coating on the exposed shaft surfaces.

If the cooling tower is not ready for operation at the time of status expiration, steps must be taken to place the Geareducer into *Long-Term Storage or Downtime* status.

#### Operational

This stage is initiated upon the first motor driven sequence. The Geareducer is now considered as being placed into regular service and operation.

#### Idle

Duration = 2 to 4 weeks.

This stage is a suspension in operational status and lasts up to two 2 weeks. The duration may be doubled by completing a *Run Cycle*.

It is not recommended to extend the idle status more than once in any given sequence.

A common application is during a temporary outage

#### Seasonal Shutdown

Duration = Up to 4 months after operational is suspended.

This stage may be considered an extended idle condition.

Requires additional preventive maintenance.

### Long-Term Storage or Downtime

Duration = Indefinite.

Requires long-term preventive measures.

### Run Cycle

Defined as full speed operation for a minimum of 30 minutes. This recoats all internal components and surfaces with lubricant and also helps to expel some moisture that may have accumulated from daily ambient condition cycling.

As shipped, a Marley Geareducer is protected internally against corrosion with machine enamel on un-machined parts and with rust-proofing oil and grease on machined surfaces. These coatings normally protect the Geareducer against corrosion for the duration of the *Pre-Commission* phase. Adding normal lubricant to the unit will dissolve the rust-proofing oil in the Geareducer sump. Provided it is added via the filler-neck or pumped in through the drain connection, this lubricant will not reduce the overall level of protection however, if the unit is operated for any amount of time, the *Pre-Commission* period is depleted and the unit is now considered to be in *Operational* status.

Check the Geareducer exterior yearly. Touch up with paint as required. Exposed pipe threads are coated to prevent corrosion. Touch up coating as required.

### **Initial Operation**

### **Priming**

Due to lack of control over facility operational readiness, site ambient conditions or storage practices, etc., it is recommended to supplement lubricant prior to initial operation. The same fill lubricant should be poured or pumped into the port above the interstage shaft. Remove pipe plug in center of Interstage Bearing Cap to expose port. Refer to **Figure 2**. If additional oil is being used, an amount of 1 to 1.5 quarts should be used. If the lubricant is being pumped from the sump bulk volume, at least 1 quart **should** be transferred. In either case, this priming step should be performed within 5 days of initial operation. If a delay occurs and the 5 day duration is exceeded, repeat the process. In either case, this priming step should be performed while rotating the gear train by hand and within 5 days of initial operation.

**Warning** – Operating the Geareducer at an oil level other than between the Add and Full levels may damage the unit and possibly mating equipment. This could also escalate to a safety concern for nearby personnel.

The Geareducer must be filled with oil to the Full oil level mark on the Geareducer case before it is placed in operation. If the unit is being taken out of *Long-Term Storage or Downtime*, the oil should be drained down to the Full operating level. If drain-down occurs within 5 days of the initial startup, the above priming sequence may be skipped. See **Changing Geareducer Oil** section for oil filling instructions.

Geareducers supplied with new cooling towers include oil for the initial filling and in some cases, will also ship with an additional amount required to place the unit into *Long-Term Storage or Downtime* status. Normally, oil is not furnished with Geareducers supplied as a spare or on replacement orders. Before operating the mechanical equipment, check to be sure the oil level is at the Full mark at the Geareducer and that the external gauge placard Full mark corresponds with the Full level in the Geareducer. Check oil lines to be sure there are no leaks.

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The Geareducer vent or vent line must be checked for blockage to prevent failure of pinion shaft oil seal—clean when necessary.

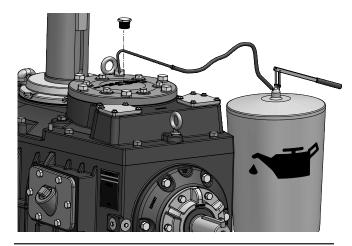


Figure 2 Priming Interstage Shaft

Check all gasketed joints for oil seepage. Tighten cap screws and flange bolting if necessary.

The Geareducer must be installed level and properly aligned with the driveshaft and motor shaft. Refer to the *Driveshaft User Manual*.

It is recommended to operate the Geareducer for no less than 30 minutes in any given run sequence. It is acceptable to ignore this when "bumping" the motor for confirmation of the correct direction of rotation.

### Seasonal Shutdown up to 4 months

At start of shutdown period, perform a *Run Cycle* and change the oil. See section on **Changing Geareducer Oil**.

Every 2 weeks check the oil level and perform a Run Cycle.

Once each month drain any water condensation from the lowest point of the Geareducer and its oil system. Check the oil level and add oil if necessary. Perform a *Run Cycle*.

To put back into operation, drain water condensation from the lowest point of the Geareducer and its oil system and check oil level. Add oil if necessary.

### Long-Term Storage or Downtime indefinite duration

If unit has been in an operational state, perform a *Run Cycle* and drain the oil including volume in the oil line, if equipped. If in storage, unit does not need to be operated.

Fabricate and install an overflow reservoir system and fill unit entirely full of oil.

**Maintenance Cycle** If unit is stored outdoors, drain condensate monthly and top off oil as necessary. If unit is stored indoors, but not climate controlled, maintenance cycle may be extended to 3 months. If stored in climate controlled space, cycle may be extended to once per year.

See Marley User Manual Z0238848 "Cooling Tower Downtime Instructions" and Marley Drawing Z0544916 "Marley Geareducer Reservoir System" for further information.

## **Inspection Of Internal Parts**

Remove the inspection cover plate from the side of the Geareducer case at each oil change. Check inside of the Geareducer for cleanliness of case and internal parts. If any sludge is present, flush the inside of the Geareducer and connecting oil line.

### **Changing Geareducer Oil**

Drain the Geareducer oil by removing the drain plug. See **Figure 3** for location. If equipped with an external dipstick/oil level gauge, remove the drain plug at that location, and drain the entire system.

When using synthetic oil with extended service intervals remove a sample for lab analysis and look for evidence of foreign material, such as water, metal shavings or sludge. If you find unacceptable condensation or sludge, flush the Geareducer with mineral oil before refilling.

The horizontal part of the oil line must be level or slightly lower at the oil level gauge than at the Geareducer. The oil capacity of the M-Series:

M1311 is 11.5 gallons (43.5 liters)

M1712 is 16.25 gallons (61.5 liters)

M1713 is 22 gallons (83 liters)

The oil level gauge line requires approximately one additional gallon of oil. Refer to back cover for suggested lubricants. If the Geareducer is equipped with an external dipstick/oil level gauge an additional 3 to 4 quarts of oil will be required. Be certain that the vent on the Geareducer (and external dipstick/oil level gauge, if present) is not plugged. Verify that the gauge/drain line is full and that there aren't any leaks at the connections.

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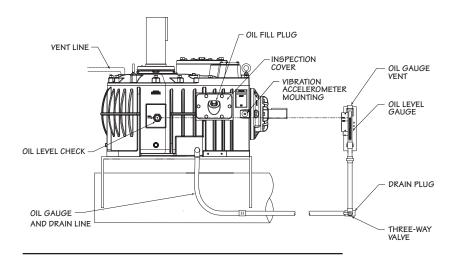


Figure 3 Service Fittings

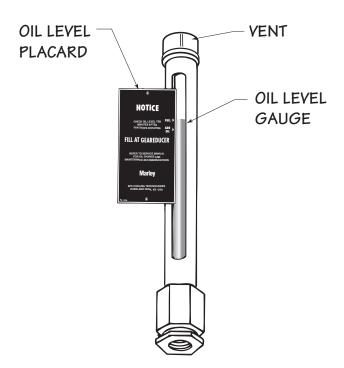


Figure 4 Oil Level Gauge Assembly

Fill the Geareducer and oil line system with oil, using one of the following procedures:

Recommended procedure:

- Install oil at the opening at the Geareducer inspection cover.
   Full is the center of the sight glass. If oil is **not** visable in the sight glass then oil needs to be added. See **Figures 3** and **4**. Install plug.
- 2. Start the fan drive and run for one minute.
- 3. Stop the fan drive. Allow ten minutes for oil level to stabilize and recheck oil level at the Geareducer.
- 4. If necessary, repeat steps 2 and 3 until stabilized oil level is at the proper level.
- 5. Check gauge placard location. Full mark on the placard must be at the same elevation as the Full mark at the Geareducer.

Alternate procedure:

The cooling tower has an external oil gauge and drain line equipped with a three-way valve below the oil level gauge. See **Figure 3**.

- Remove pipe plug. Turn valve control stem clockwise to open drain.
- 2. With Geareducer drained, the three-way valve turned clockwise, and the pipe plug removed, connect fill source (usually a hose to a pump, to the three-way valve).

Pump oil through the hose. Check oil level occasionally by turning the valve control stem counterclockwise and allowing the oil level in the sight glass to stabilize.

Continue filling until full level mark is reached.

3. With the oil level at the full mark turn the valve control stem counterclockwise to close the drain and open the valve to the sight glass. Remove the oil filling line and reinstall pipe plug in the three-way valve.

# scheduled maintenance

**Warning**—Make certain that mechanical equipment is inoperable during periods of maintenance—or during any situation of possible endangerment to personnel. If your electrical system contains a disconnect switch, lock it out until the period of exposure to injury is over.

**Monthly**—Check Geareducer oil level. Shut down the unit and allow 5 minutes for the oil level to stabilize. Add oil if required, noting the addition in your maintenance log. If equipped with an external dipstick/oil level gauge, small quantities of oil can be added at that location.

Semi-annually—If using turbine-type mineral oil, change oil—see Changing Geareducer Oil for instructions. Check that all the assembly bolts and cap screws are tight, that oil plugs and pipe connections are in place and free from leaks, and that the vent on the Geareducer (and external dipstick/oil level gauge, if present) is clear—a clogged vent can lead to oil leaks. Intermittent operation and extended periods of downtime can cause condensation of water in the oil. If using synthetic Marley Gearlube, the oil condition must be inspected every six months—see Changing Geareducer Oil for maximizing service life.

**Annually**—Check mechanical equipment anchor bolts, drive shaft coupling bolts, and coupling set screws. Tighten as required. Check Geareducer exterior yearly and touch up with epoxy paint if required. Coat all exposed threads at pipe joints to prevent corrosion.

**Every 5 Years**—If using synthetic Marley Gearlube, change oil. To maintain five-year change intervals, use only synthetic Marley Gearlube. It is recommended to monitor the oil condition every six months throughout the five-year period per the instructions in **Changing Geareducer Oil**.

Maintenance Service	Monthly	Semi- annually	Seasonal Startup or Annually
Geareducer Drive:			
Inspect and tighten all fasteners including oil plug		ж	х
Check for and repair oil leaks	х	ж	х
Check oil level	ж	R	х
Change oil		R	R
Make sure vent is open		ж	х
Check driveshaft or coupling alignment		-	х
Inspect and tighten driveshaft or coupling fasteners			х
Check driveshaft or coupling bushing / flex elements for unusual wear			х
Lube Lines (if equipped)			
Check for oil leaks in hoses and fittings	ж	R	ж

#### R - Refer to instructions within this manual

Note: It is recommended at least weekly, that the general operation and condition be observed. Pay particular attention to any changes in sound or vibration that may signify a need for closer inspection.

# repair and lubricants

### Repair and Overhaul

If your Geareducer ever needs replacement or repair, SPX Cooling Technologies recommends returning the unit to a Marley factory service center. Contact your Marley sales representative to discuss a course of action. The Marley Order Number on your cooling tower will be required if the Geareducer is shipped back to the factory for repair. Obtain a "Customer Return Material" tag from the Marley sales representative in you area. To find your Marley sales representative call 913 664 7400 or check the internet at spxcooling.com.

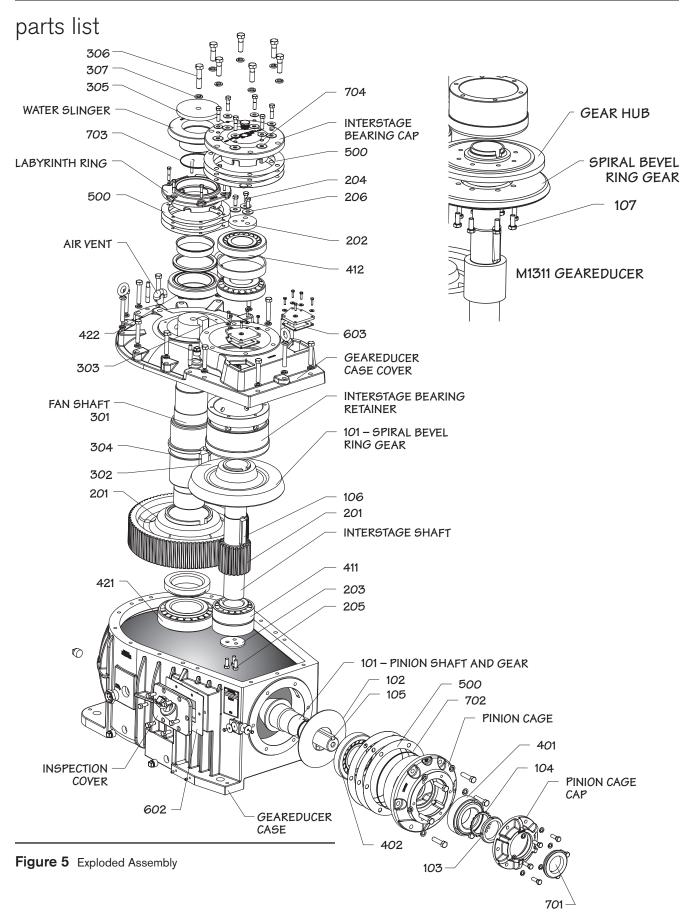
Major repairs require the use of a fully equipped machine shop. If you decide to repair or overhaul your Geareducer, refer to the **Field Repair** Section and Geareducer **Parts List**.

# **Suggested Lubricants**

The following list of lubricants in **Table 1** is provided as reference only. These products have been recommended by their respective manufacturers as acceptable for use in a Marley spiral bevel and/or helical Geareducer for cooling tower applications. This list is not an attempt to include all the lubricants that may be satisfactory. If lubricants other than those listed are used they must not contain any additives—such as detergents or EP additives—which are adversely affected by moisture and could reduce the service life of the Geareducer. Suitability of lubricants used other than those listed rests with the customer/owner and lubricant supplier.

Manufacturer	Product		
SPX Cooling Tech, LLC	Mineral Turbine ISO 220		
Chevron	Regal R & O 220		
Citgo Petroleum Corp.	Pacemaker 220		
ConocoPhillips	Multipurpose R & O 220		
ExxonMobil Corp.	DTE Oil BB		
ExxonMobil Corp.	Teresstic 220		
Lubrication Engineers Inc.	Monolec 6405		
Shell	Morlina S3 GA 220		
Synthetic Oil*			
SPX Cooling Tech, LLC	Gearlube ISO 220		
Chevron	Clarity 220 Synthetic		
Citgo Petroleum Corp.	Citgear Synthetic HT 220		
ConocoPhillips	Syncon R & O 220		
ExxonMobil Corp.	SHC 630		
Shell	Morlina S4 B220		
*Synthetic oil may be applicable for high temperature service or extended oil life			

Table 1



# parts list

Complete Geareducer Assembly

400 Pinion Shaft Bearing Set 100 Spiral Bevel Gear Set 401 Tail, tapered roller bearing 101 Set of matched spiral bevel gears including 402 Head, tapered roller bearing integral pinion shaft with key 102 Oil slinger 410 Interstage Bearing Set 103 Locknuts 411 Lower, double row, tapered roller bearing. 104 Lockwasher Matched assembly with cone spacer 105 Pinion shaft key 412 Upper, double row, tapered roller bearing. 106 Interstage shaft key Matched assembly with cup spacer 107 Ring gear bolts (M1311 only) 420 Fan Shaft Bearing Set 200 Helical Gear Set 421 Lower tapered roller bearing 201 Set of matched helical gears including 422 Upper tapered roller bearing interstage shaft and special key 202 Top interstage bearing retainer disc 500 Shim set 203 Bottom interstage bearing retainer disc **501-502-503** Pinion shaft shims 204 Machine Bolts 504-505-506 Interstage shaft shims 205 Place bolts and washers 507-508-509 Fan shaft shims 206 Washers 600 Gasket Set 300 Fan Shaft Assembly 602 Inspection cover gasket **302** Key 603 Oil trough gasket 303 Fan hub ring 304 Retainer ring (Not used on M1311) 700 O-Rings Set. 305 Fan hub retention plate 701 Pinion Shaft Oil Seal 306 Retention cap screws Pinion cage O-ring 307 Lock washer Water slinger O-ring 703 704 Interstage cap bolt O-ring

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