

ANALYSIS OF CHEROKEE GROUP CUTTINGS SAMPLES FOR GAS CONTENT --  
MERITAGE KCM #13-31 BROWN WELL  
(NW NE 13-T.22S.-R.21E.), LINN COUNTY, KANSAS



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## SUMMARY

Seven cuttings samples from the Pennsylvanian Marmaton and Cherokee Group were collected from the Meritage KCM #13-31 Brown well in NW NE 13-T.22S.-R.21E. well in Linn County, KS:

- Mulberry coal at 323' to 325' depth
- Little Osage Shale at 422' to 428' depth
- Bevier coal at 510' to 512' depth
- Croweburg "coal" at 530' to 532' depth
- Tebo coal at 594' to 596'
- Weir-Pittsburg coal at 645' to 647' depth
- Riverton coal at 766' to 769' depth

Assuming the dark shale that is usually admixed with the coal cuttings has approximately 3 scf/ton gas content, the coals calculate as having the following gas contents:

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| • Mulberry coal at 323' to 325' depth                   | (92.7 scf/ton) |
| • Little Osage Shale at 422' to 428' depth <sup>1</sup> | (20.2 scf/ton) |
| • Bevier coal at 510' to 512' depth                     | (38.5 scf/ton) |
| • Croweburg "coal" at 530' to 532' depth <sup>1</sup>   | (10.3 scf/ton) |
| • Tebo coal at 594' to 596'                             | (32.2 scf/ton) |
| • Weir-Pittsburg coal at 645' to 647' depth             | (35.3 scf/ton) |
| • Riverton coal at 766' to 769' depth                   | (62.3 scf/ton) |

<sup>1</sup>no coal in sample

The amount of coal in the samples was sufficient for good confidence in analyses. The most reliable results, which is largely controlled by the amount of coal in the cuttings, is from the are from the Mulberry, Bevier, and Riverton coal samples. The least constrained results are from the Tebo sample, which had a reasonably good amount of coal (31% coal). The sample of the Little Osage Shale and the Croweburg "coal" sample had no coal in them, nevertheless, they respectively contained 94% dark shale, thus confidence in their results are high.

## BACKGROUND

The Meritage KCM #13-31 Brown well in NW NE 13-T.22S.-R.21E. well (Linn County, KS) was selected for cuttings desorption tests in association with an on-going coalbed gas research project at the Kansas Geological Survey. The samples were gathered January 20, 2003 by K. David Newell and Jonathan P. Lange of the Kansas Geological Survey, with well site collection aided by Lawrence A. Weis (consultant for Meritage KCM). Samples were obtained during normal drilling of the well, with no cessation of drilling before zones of interest (i.e., coals in the Cherokee Group) were penetrated. The well was drilled using an air rotary rig owned by MOKAT Drilling. Lag times for samples to reach the surface (important for assessing lost gas) were determined by periodically

noting the time it took for cuttings to reach the surface following resumption of drilling after new pipe was added to the drill string.

Seven cuttings samples from the Pennsylvanian Marmaton and Cherokee Groups were collected:

- Mulberry coal at 323' to 325' depth (357 grams dry wt.)
- Little Osage Shale at 422' to 428' depth (1036 grams dry wt.)
- Bevier coal at 510' to 512' depth (208 grams dry wt.)
- Croweburg coal at 530' to 532' depth (1043 grams dry wt.)
- Tebo coal at 594' to 596' (363 grams dry wt.)
- Weir-Pittsburg coal at 645' to 647' depth (337 grams dry wt.)
- Riverton coal at 766' to 769' depth (990 grams dry wt.)

The cuttings samples were caught in a kitchen strainer at the air stream exit by the mud pit. The samples were washed in the kitchen strainer to rid them of drilling mud before they were placed in desorption canisters. A temperature bath for the desorption canisters was on site, with temperatures ranging between 68 and 70 degrees F. The canistered samples were later that day transported to the laboratory at the Kansas Geological Survey and desorption measurements were continued at 65 to 69 degrees F ambient temperature. Desorption measurements were periodically made until the canisters produced no more gas upon testing for at least two successive days.

## DESORPTION MEASUREMENTS

The equipment and method for measuring desorption gas is that prescribed by McLennan and others (1995). The volumetric displacement apparatus is a set of connected dispensing burettes, one of which measures the gas evolved from the desorption canister. The other burette compensates for the compression that occurs when the desorbed gas displaces the water in the measuring burette. This compensation is performed by adjusting the cylinders so that their water levels are identical, then figuring the amount of gas that evolved by simply reading the difference in water level using the volumetric scale on the side of the burette.

The desorption canisters were obtained from PEL-I-CANS (by J.R. Levine) in Richardson, TX. On average, the canisters were approximately 11.2 inches high (28.5 cm), 3.8 inches (9.7 cm) in diameter, and enclosed a volume of approximately 127 cubic inches (2082 cm<sup>3</sup>). In case of small sample size (generally sample weighing less than 300 grams dry wt.), a concrete plug was placed in the desorption canister to decrease the volume of free space within the canister. This volume of this plug was 77 cubic inches (1262 cm<sup>3</sup>).

The desorbed gas that collected in the desorption canisters was periodically released into the volumetric displacement apparatus and measured as a function of time, temperature and atmospheric pressure.



The time and atmospheric pressure were measured in the field using a portable weather station (model BA928 ) marketed by Oregon Scientific (Tualatin, OR). The atmospheric pressure was displayed in millibars on this instrument, however, this measurement was not the actual barometric pressure, but rather an altitude-compensated barometric pressure automatically converted to a sea-level-equivalent pressure. In order to translate this measurement to actual atmospheric pressure, a regression correlation was determined over several weeks by comparing readings from the Oregon Scientific instrument to that from a pressure transducer in the Petrophysics Laboratory in the Kansas Geological Survey in Lawrence, Kansas (Figure 1). The regression equation shown graphically in Figure 1 was entered into a spreadsheet and was used to automatically convert the millibar measurement to barometric pressure in psi.

A spreadsheet program written by K.D. Newell (Kansas Geological Survey) was used to convert all gas volumes at standard temperature and pressure. Conversion of gas volumes to standard temperature and pressure was by application of the perfect-gas equation, obtainable from basic college chemistry texts:

$$n = PV/RT$$

where n is moles of gas, T is degrees Kelvin (i.e., absolute temperature), V is in liters, and R is the universal gas constant, which has a numerical value depending on the units in which it is measured (for example, in the metric system  $R = 0.0820$  liter atmosphere per degree mole). The number of moles of gas (i.e., the value n) is constant in a volumetric conversion, therefore the conversion equation, derived from the ideal gas equation, is:

$$(P_{stp}V_{stp})/(RT_{stp}) = (P_{rig}V_{rig})/(RT_{rig})$$

Customarily, standard temperature and pressure for gas volumetric measurements in the oil industry are 60 °F and 14.7 psi (see Dake, 1978, p. 13), therefore  $P_{stp}$ ,  $V_{stp}$ , and  $T_{stp}$ , respectively, are pressure, volume and temperature at standard temperature and pressure, where standard temperature is degrees Rankine ( $^{\circ}R = 460 + ^{\circ}F$ ).  $P_{rig}$ ,  $V_{rig}$ , and  $T_{rig}$ , respectively, are ambient pressure, volume and temperature measurements taken at the rig site or in the desorption laboratory.

The universal gas constant R drops out as this equation is simplified and the determination of  $V_{stp}$  becomes:

$$V_{stp} = (T_{stp}/T_{rig}) (P_{rig}/P_{stp}) V_{rig}$$

The conversion calculations in the spreadsheet were carried out in the English metric system, as this is the customary measure system used in American coal and oil industry. V is therefore converted to cubic feet; P is psia; T is °R.

The desorbed gas was summed over the time period for which the coal samples evolved all of their gas. In the case of well cuttings from Meritage KCM #13-31 Brown well, the maximum time of desorption was 44 days.

Lost gas (i.e., the gas lost from the sample from the time it was drilled, brought to the surface, to the time it was canistered) was determined using the direct method (Kissel and others, 1975; also see McLennan and others, 1995, p. 6.1-6.14) in which the cumulative gas evolved is plotted against the square root of elapsed time. Time zero is assumed to be instant the cuttings sample is lifted from the bottom of the hole, or in the case of cuttings, when the drilled rock is cut and circulated off bottom. Characteristically, the cumulative gas evolved from the sample, when plotted against the square root of time, is linear for a short time period after the sample reaches ambient pressure conditions, therefore lost gas is determined by a line projected back to time zero. The period of linearity generally is about an hour for cuttings samples.

## LITHOLOGIC ANALYSIS

Upon removal from the canisters, the cuttings were washed of drilling mud, and dried in an oven at 150 °F for 1 to 3 days. After drying, the cuttings were weighed and then dry sieved into 5 size fractions: >0.0930", >0.0661", >0.0460", >0.0331", and <0.0331". For large sample sizes, the cuttings were ran through a sample splitter and a lesser portion (approximately 75 grams) were sieved and weighed, and the derived size-fraction ratios were applied to the entire sample.

The size fractions were then inspected and sorted by hand under a dissecting microscope. Three major lithologic categories were differentiated: coal, dark shales (generally Munsell rock colors N3 (dark gray), N2 (grayish black), and N1 (black) on dry surface), and lighter-colored lithologies and/or dark and light-colored carbonates. After sorting, and for every size class, each of these three lithologic categories was weighed and the proportion of coal dark shale and light-colored lithologies were determined for the entire cuttings sample based on the weight percentages.

## DATA PRESENTATION

Data and analyses accompanying this report are presented in the following order: 1) lag time to surface for the well cuttings, 2) data tables for the desorption analyses, 3) lost-gas graphs, 4) "lithologic component sensitivity analyses" showing the interdependence of gas evolved from dark shale versus coal in each sample, 5) a summary component analysis for all samples showing relative reliability of the data from all the samples, and 6) a desorption graph for all the samples.

### *Graph of Lag-time to Surface for Well Cuttings (Figure 2)*

Lag time to surface varied, but there is a general trend of longer lag times for greater depth. The lag times accepted for cuttings were taken to be a visual average of the trend



(defined by the scatter of data points on this graph) at the depth at which the samples were taken.

#### *Data Tables of the Desorption Analyses (Table 1)*

These are the basic data used for lost-gas analysis and determination of total gas desorbed from the cuttings samples. Basic temperature, volume, and barometric measurements are listed at left. Farther to the right, these are converted to standard temperature, pressure and volumes. The volumes are cumulatively summed, and converted to scf/ton based on the total weight of coal and dark shale in the sample. At the right of the table, the time of the measurements are listed and converted to hours (and square root of hours) since the sample was drilled.

#### *Lost-Gas Graphs (Figures 3-9)*

Gas lost prior to the canistering of the sample was estimated by extrapolation of the first few data points after the sample was canistered. The linear characteristic of the initial desorption measurements was usually lost within the first hour after canistering, thus data are presented in the lost-gas graphs for only up to one hour after canistering. Lost-gas volumes derived from this analysis are incorporated in the data tables described above.

#### *"Lithologic Component Sensitivity Analyses" (Figures 10-16)*

The rapidity of penetration of an air-drilled well makes collection of pure lithologies from relatively thin-bedded strata rather difficult. Mixed lithologies are more the norm rather than the exception. Some of this mixing is due to cavings from strata farther up hole. The mixing may also be due to collection of two or more successively drilled lithologies in the kitchen sieve at the exit line, or differential lifting of relatively less-dense coal compared to other lithologies, all of which are more dense than coal.

The total gas evolved from the sample is due to gas being desorbed from both the coal and dark shale. Both lithologies are capable of generating gas, albeit the coal will be richer in gas than the dark-colored shale. Even though dark-colored shale is less rich in sorbed gas than coal, if a sample has a large proportion of dark, organic-rich shale and only a minor amount of coal, the total volume of gas evolved from the dark-shale component may be considerable.

The total amount of gas evolved from a cuttings sample can be expressed by the following equation:

$$\text{Total gas (cm}^3\text{)} = [\text{weight}_{\text{coal}} \text{ (grams)} \times \text{gas content}_{\text{coal}} \text{ (cm}^3\text{/gram)}] + [\text{weight}_{\text{dark shale}} \text{ (grams)} \times \text{gas content}_{\text{dark shale}} \text{ (cm}^3\text{/gram)}]$$

A unique solution for  $\text{gas content}_{\text{coal}}$  in this equation is not possible because  $\text{gas content}_{\text{dark shale}}$  is not known exactly. An answer can only be expressed as a linear solution to the above equation. The richer in gas the dark shales are, the poorer in gas the admixed coal has to be, and visa versa. If there is little dark shale in a sample, a relatively well constrained answer for  $\text{gas content}_{\text{coal}}$  can be obtained. Conversely, if

considerable dark shale is in a sample, the gas content of a coal will be hard to precisely determine.

The lithologic-component-sensitivity-analysis diagram therefore expresses the bivariate nature inherent in the determination of gas content in mixed cuttings. The gas content of dark shales in Kansas can vary greatly. Proprietary desorption analyses of dark shales in cores from southeastern Kansas have registered as much as 50 scf/ton, but can be as low as 2-4 scf/ton. For a general understanding of the lithologic-component-sensitivity-analyses diagrams, the calculated  $gas\ content_{coal}$  is given for assumed  $gas\ content_{dark\ shale}$  at 30 scf/ton and 50 scf/ton. For most samples gathered in east-central and northeastern Kansas, the resultant  $gas\ content_{coal}$  is a negative number for 30 scf/ton and 50 scf/ton  $gas\ content_{dark\ shale}$ . The only conclusion is that the  $gas\ content_{dark\ shale}$  or most samples taken from this region has to be lower than 30-50 scf/ton. Conversely though, to assume that all the gas evolved from a cuttings sample is derived solely from the coal would result in an erroneously high gas content for the coal.

In all the lithologic-component-sensitivity-analysis diagrams, a "break-even" point is noted where the gas content of the coal is equal to that of the dark shale. This "break-even" point corresponds to the minimum gas content assignable to the coal and maximum gas content assignable to the dark shale. It can also be thought of the scf/ton gas content of the cuttings sample minus the weight of any of the lighter-colored lithologies, which are assumed to have no inherent gas content.

#### *Summary Component Analysis for all Samples (Figure 17)*

This diagram is a summary of the individual "lithologic component sensitivity analyses" for each sample, all set at a common scale. The steeper the angle of the line for a sample, the more uncertainty is attached to the results (i.e.,  $gas\ content_{coal}$ ) for that sample. If the coal content is miniscule (i.e., < approximately 5%), the results are a better reflection of the  $gas\ content_{dark\ shale}$ .

#### *Desorption Graph (Figure 18)*

This is a desorption graph (gas content per weight vs. square root of time) for all the samples. The rate at which gas is evolved from the samples is thus comparable at a common scale.

## RESULTS and DISCUSSION

The Mulberry sample had the greatest gas content at 92.7 scf/ton (assuming the admixed dark shales produce 3 scf/ton), followed by the Riverton coal at 62.3 scf/ton. The Bevier, Tebo and Weir-Pittsburg coals all had similar gas-content assays at 38.5, 32.2, and 35.3 scf/ton. The high gas content of the Mulberry sample is unexpected, considering its shallow depth. No bona fide coal was in the Little Osage Shale taken and the Croweburg "coal", which respectively assayed at 20.2 and 10.3 scf/ton.



Maximum gas content (gas content calculated assuming no gas contribution by admixed dark shale), minimum gas content (gas content calculated assuming equal gas content for coal and admixed dark shale) and "most likely" gas content (gas content calculated with admixed dark shales desorbing 3 scf/ton) for all the coal samples are presented on Figure 17. According to this diagram, the Mulberry and Bevier samples have the most tightly constrained results, which corresponds to the high percentages of coal (approximately 75%) captured in these samples. The Riverton sample also has good control and reasonably constrained results with coal making 65% of the sample. The least constrained results are for the Tebo coal sample, which contained 31% coal. This amount of coal, nevertheless, is sufficient for a reasonable gas estimate from cuttings.

The value of 3 scf/ton for the dark shales is based on the assay of the gas content of the dark shale in nearby wells. Core desorption analyses of shale in the stratigraphic vicinity of Riverton coal elsewhere in Kansas also yield comparable gas contents.

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#### FIGURES and TABLES

FIGURE 1. Correlation of field barometer to Petrophysics Lab pressure transducer.

FIGURE 2. Lag-time to surface for well cuttings.

TABLE 1. Desorption measurements for samples.

FIGURE 3. Lost-gas graph for Mulberry coal at 323'-325' depth.

FIGURE 4. Lost-gas graph for Little Osage Shale at 422'-428' depth.

FIGURE 5. Lost-gas graph for Bevier coal at 510'-512' depth.

FIGURE 6. Lost-gas graph for Croweburg "coal" at 530'-532' depth.

FIGURE 7. Lost-gas graph for Tebo coal at 594'-596' depth.

FIGURE 8. Lost-gas graph for Weir-Pittsburg coal at 645'-647' depth.

FIGURE 9. Lost-gas graph for Riverton coal at 766'-769' depth.

FIGURE 10. Sensitivity analysis for Mulberry coal at 323'-325' depth.

FIGURE 11. Sensitivity analysis for Little Osage Shale at 422'-428' depth.

FIGURE 12. Sensitivity analysis for Bevier coal at 510'-512' depth..

FIGURE 13. Sensitivity analysis for Croweburg "coal" at 530'-532' depth.



- FIGURE 14. Sensitivity analysis for Tebo coal at 594'-596' depth..
- FIGURE 15. Sensitivity analysis for Weir-Pittsburg coal at 645'-647' depth.
- FIGURE 16. Sensitivity analysis for Riverton coal at 766'-769' depth.
- FIGURE 17. Lithologic component sensitivity analyses for all samples.
- FIGURE 18. Desorption graph for all samples.

## Correlation of Field Barometer to KGS Petrophysics Lab Barometer

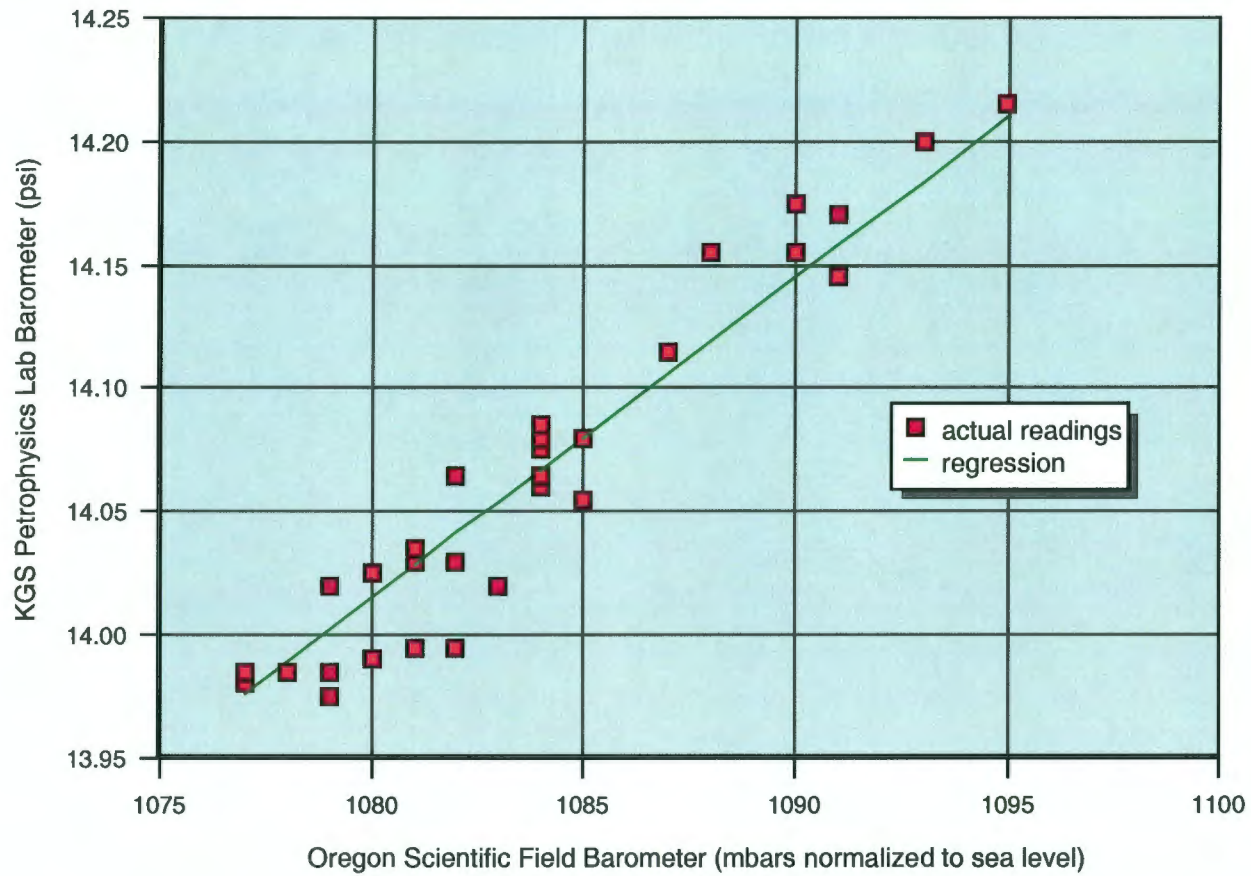


FIGURE 1.



Meritage KCM #13-31 Brown; NW NE sec. 13-T.22S.-R.21E., Linn County, KS

lag-time to surface for well cuttings

lag time of cutting to surface (seconds)

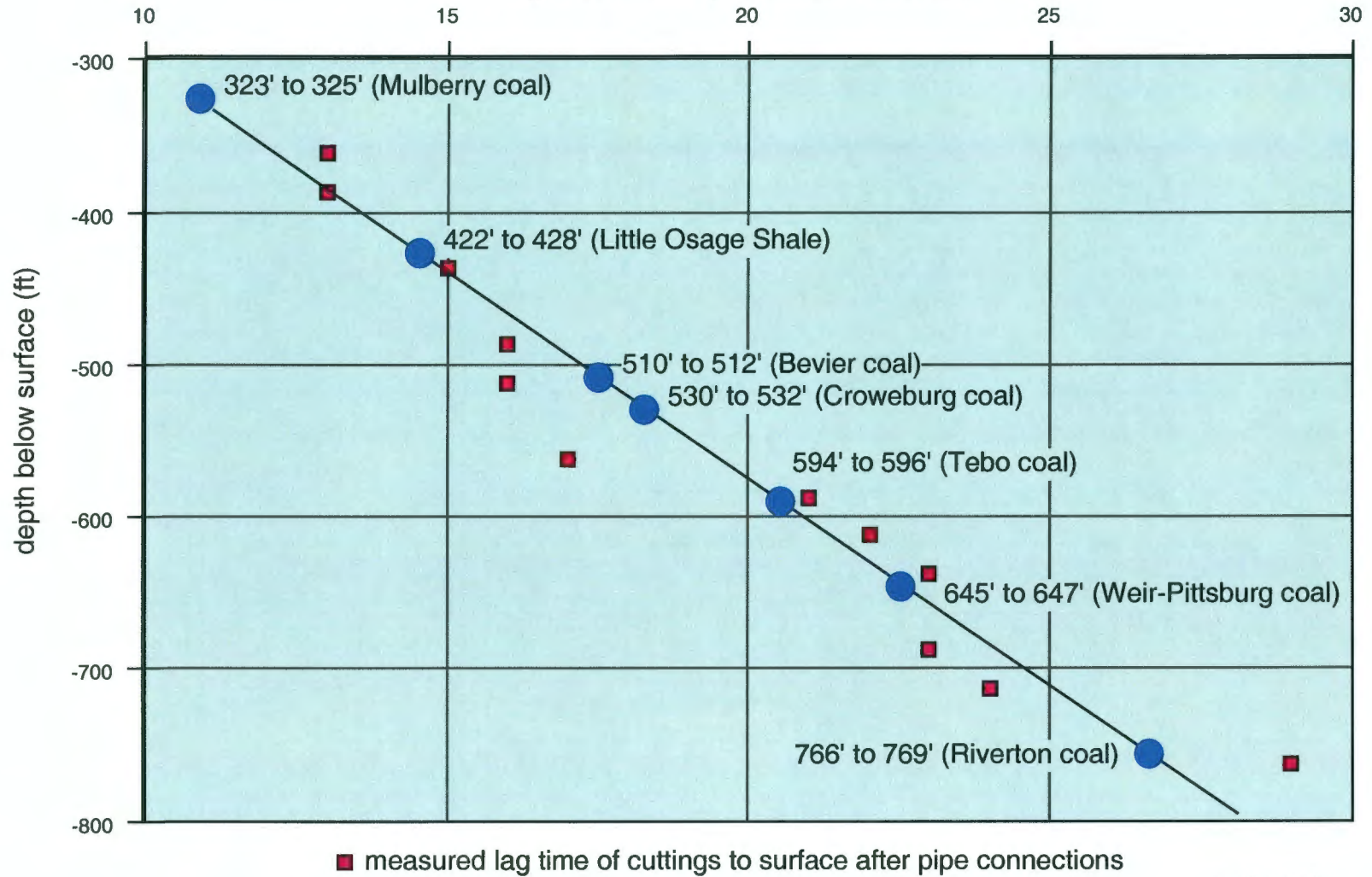


FIGURE 2.

Meritage KCM Brown #13-31, NW NE 13-T.22S.-R.21E.

SAMPLE: 323' to 325' (Mulberry coal) in canister Mer A

DRY WEIGHT		lbs.	grams											est. lost gas (cc) =	at surface				
sample weight:		0.7793	353.477											8	TIME OF:	1/20/03	9:32	elapsed time (off bottom to canistering)	
CONVERSION OF VOLUMES TO STP														1.7 minutes					
RIG MEASUREMENTS														0.028 hours					
CONVERSION OF RIG MEASUREMENTS TO STP (cubic ft; @60 degrees; @14.7 psi)														0.187497927 SQRT (hrs)					
measured cc	measured T (F)	measured P	cubic ft (@ria)	ABSOLUTE T (F)	(@rig) psia	(@rig) cubic ft (@STP)	cc (@STP)	cubic ft (@STP)	cc (@STP)	without lost gas	SCF/TON	SCF/TON	TIME OF MEASURE	TIME SINCE	in canister	SQRT hrs. (since off bottom)			
2	70	1081	7.063E-05	530	14.031	8.61429E-05	1.87295	8.61429E-05	1.87295	0.169753088	0.894825405	1/20/03	9:34	0:02:41	0:01:00	0.211478292			
3	70	1081	0.00010594	530	14.031	9.92143E-05	2.80943	0.000185357	4.88238	0.424382864	1.149455004	1/20/03	9:38	0:04:41	0:03:00	0.279384243			
2	70	1081	7.063E-05	530	14.031	8.61429E-05	1.87295	0.0002315	8.55533	0.59413573	1.31920607	1/20/03	9:38	0:05:58	0:04:15	0.314486038			
2	70	1081	7.063E-05	530	14.031	8.61429E-05	1.87295	0.000297643	8.42828	0.783888798	1.488981136	1/20/03	9:39	0:07:28	0:05:45	0.351978535			
2	70	1081	7.063E-05	530	14.031	8.61429E-05	1.87295	0.000363788	10.3012	0.933641862	1.856714202	1/20/03	9:43	0:10:56	0:09:15	0.428874949			
4	70	1081	0.00014128	530	14.031	0.000132286	3.7459	0.000498072	14.0471	1.273147993	1.998220333	1/20/03	9:48	0:15:56	0:14:15	0.515320828			
5	89	1081	0.00017657	529	14.031	0.00018587	4.89123	0.000881741	18.7384	1.698332894	2.423405233	1/20/03	9:56	0:23:50	0:22:15	0.831576511			
3	89	1081	0.00010594	529	14.031	9.94019E-05	2.81474	0.000781143	21.5531	1.953443834	2.878516173	1/20/03	10:01	0:29:41	0:28:00	0.703384928			
9	89	1081	0.00031783	529	14.031	0.000298208	8.44421	0.001059349	29.9973	2.718778854	3.443848994	1/20/03	10:11	0:39:28	0:37:45	0.810892434			
39	89	1081	0.00137728	529	14.031	0.001292224	36.5916	0.002351573	88.5889	8.035218875	8.780291215	1/20/03	10:29	0:57:11	0:55:30	0.976245843			
23	89	1080	0.00081224	529	14.018	0.000781378	21.5597	0.003112949	88.1486	7.989260118	8.714332458	1/20/03	10:48	1:16:28	1:14:45	1.128868884			
18	89	1080	0.00058504	529	14.018	0.000529853	14.998	0.003642801	103.147	9.348593157	10.0738855	1/20/03	11:01	1:28:50	1:27:15	1.217485491			
11	89	1080	0.00038846	529	14.018	0.000384138	10.3112	0.004006738	113.458	10.28313482	11.00820898	1/20/03	11:18	1:45:58	1:44:15	1.328742095			
19	88	1080	0.00087098	528	14.018	0.000830154	17.8439	0.004638892	131.302	11.90039982	12.82547218	1/20/03	11:40	2:07:56	2:06:15	1.480213074			
13	88	1079	0.00045909	528	14.005	0.000430759	12.1977	0.00508785	143.499	13.0059251	13.73099744	1/20/03	11:58	2:25:56	2:24:15	1.559558342			
21	88	1078	0.00074181	528	13.992	0.000695198	19.8857	0.005782847	183.185	14.79011855	15.51519089	1/20/03	12:30	2:57:56	2:56:15	1.722078847			
7	87	1078	0.00083587	527	13.992	0.000597013	16.9055	0.00835988	180.09	18.32232913	17.04740147	1/20/03	12:54	3:21:56	3:20:15	1.834545054			
18	87	1078	0.0002472	527	13.992	0.000232172	6.57435	0.008592031	188.885	16.9181888	17.84328114	1/20/03	13:03	3:30:50	3:29:15	1.874981481			
6	87	1078	0.00028252	527	13.992	0.000285339	7.51354	0.008857371	194.178	17.59917128	18.32424362	1/20/03	13:18	3:45:56	3:44:15	1.940503944			
103	86	1082	0.00383742	526	14.044	0.003435437	97.2804	0.010292807	291.459	26.41808413	27.14115847	1/20/03	19:54	10:21:58	10:20:15	3.219558288			
98	87	1092	0.00348085	527	14.174	0.003292818	93.2382	0.013585425	384.895	34.86645784	35.59152998	1/21/03	10:03	24:30:56	24:29:15	4.951318587			
89	88	1100	0.00314302	526	14.278	0.003017867	85.4582	0.016603292	470.151	42.6118954	43.33876774	1/22/03	15:08	53:35:58	53:34:15	7.321128204			
83	88	1094	0.00293113	528	14.200	0.002788482	78.9601	0.019391754	549.111	49.7861727	50.49324504	1/24/03	15:56	102:23:50	102:22:15	10.11923831			
89	89	1084	0.00243872	529	14.070	0.002292587	64.9188	0.021684342	614.03	55.852009	58.37780834	1/27/03	15:08	173:33:58	173:32:15	13.17442809			
22	88	1095	0.00077893	528	14.213	0.000739788	20.9483	0.022424128	834.978	57.55083951	58.27571185	1/28/03	13:58	220:23:58	220:22:15	14.84583743			
29	88	1085	0.00102413	528	14.083	0.000988287	27.3615	0.023390394	882.34	60.03052498	60.7555973	1/31/03	15:15	269:42:58	269:41:15	18.42301908			
34	88	1075	0.0012007	526	13.953	0.001128891	31.9042	0.024517085	694.244	62.92213313	63.84720547	2/3/03	15:44	342:11:56	342:10:15	18.49861857			
9	87	1088	0.00031783	527	14.096	0.000300722	8.51548	0.024817807	702.759	63.8939238	64.41899814	2/5/03	15:39	390:06:58	390:05:15	19.75134313			
3	88	1090	0.00010594	526	14.148	0.000100801	2.65436	0.024918808	705.814	63.95262582	64.67789818	2/7/03	16:32	440:59:58	440:58:15	20.99997354			
19	87	1083	0.00087098	527	14.057	0.000833103	17.9274	0.025551712	723.541	65.57748078	66.3025331	2/10/03	14:00	508:27:56	508:26:15	22.54918082			
7	88	1090	0.0002472	528	14.148	0.000234312	8.63494	0.025788023	730.178	66.17881229	68.90388483	2/12/03	13:49	558:18:56	558:15:15	23.58583593			
23	88	1088	0.00081224	528	13.882	0.000754342	21.3805	0.026540385	751.537	68.11480168	68.83987402	2/14/03	18:24	608:51:58	608:50:15	24.87520123			
-8	88	1084	-0.0002119	528	14.070	-0.00020049	-5.8773	0.026339873	745.859	67.80024574	68.32531808	2/17/03	13:55	878:22:58	876:21:15	28.00734939			
1	88	1090	3.5315E-05	528	14.148	3.34731E-05	0.94785	0.026373346	748.807	67.8881531	68.41122544	2/19/03	13:39	724:08:56	724:05:15	28.90939953			
19	89	1073	0.00087098	529	13.927	0.000824886	17.8947	0.026988232	784.502	69.28989883	70.01497097	2/21/03	18:42	775:09:56	775:08:15	27.84179512			
-11	85	1090	-0.0003885	525	14.148	-0.00037031	-10.486	0.026827924	754.018	68.33951778	69.0845901	2/23/03	22:23	828:50:58	828:49:15	28.78973583			
-11	84	1100	-0.0003885	524	14.278	-0.00037442	-10.802	0.028253508	743.414	67.37858745	68.10365979	2/24/03	14:08	844:35:58	844:34:15	29.08188357			
12	89	1084	0.00042378	529	14.070	0.000398711	11.2902	0.028652216	754.704	68.40188318	69.1269355	2/26/03	15:40	894:07:58	894:06:15	29.80204378			
8	87	1083	0.00021189	527	14.057	0.000199927	5.88129	0.028652144	760.385	68.91498889	69.84004127	2/27/03	18:44	921:11:56	921:10:15	30.35125844			
3	88	1083	0.00010594	528	14.057	9.97744E-05	2.82528	0.028951918	783.19	69.17103592	69.89810828	2/28/03	15:08	941:35:56	941:34:15	30.88548336			
26	89	1078	0.00091818	529	13.988	0.000857498	24.2815	0.027809418	787.472	71.37177093	72.09684327	3/3/03	15:52	1014:19:56	1014:18:15	31.84858273			
1	87	1075	3.5315E-05	527	13.953	3.30751E-05	0.93858	0.027842491	788.409	71.45885885	72.18172919	3/4/03	19:37	1042:04:58	1042:03:15	32.28129834			
-10	89	1081	-0.0003531	529	14.031	-0.00033134	-9.3825	0.027511152	779.028	70.80828705	71.33135939	3/5/03	14:47	1081:14:58	1081:13:15	32.5788152			

DECANISTERED 3/05/03

SAMPLE: 422' to 428' (Little Osage Shale) in canister Mer B

DRY WEIGHT		lbs.	grams											est. lost gas (cc) =	at surface				
sample weight:		2.1370	989.323											38	TIME OF:	1/20/03	10:08	elapsed time (off bottom to canistering)	
CONVERSION OF VOLUMES TO STP														8.0 minutes					
RIG MEASUREMENTS														0.100 hours					
CONVERSION OF RIG MEASUREMENTS TO STP (cubic ft; @60 degrees; @14.7 psi)														0.315788255 SQRT (hrs)					
measured cc	measured T (F)	measured P	cubic ft (@ria)	ABSOLUTE T (F)	(@rig) psia	(@rig) cubic ft (@STP)	cc (@STP)	cubic ft (@STP)	cc (@STP)	without lost gas	SCF/TON	SCF/TON	TIME OF MEASURE	TIME SINCE	in canister	SQRT hrs. (since off bottom)			
5	89	1081	0.00017657	529	14.031	0.00018587	4.89123	0.00018587	4.89123	0.155049538	1.410985772	1/20/03	10:14	0:06:44	0:00:45	0.334995854			
5	89	1081	0.00017657	529	14.031	0.00018587	4.89123	0.00018587	4.89123	0.155049538	1.410985772	1/20/03	10:18	0:08:44	0:02:45	0.381517438			
8	89	1081	0.00028252	529	14.031	0.000285072	7.50596	0.000598411	18.8884	0.558178335	1.814114589	1/20/03	10:20	0:12:29	0:08:30	0.458131073			
13	89	1081	0.00045909	529	14.031	0.000430741	12.1972	0.001027152	29.0858	0.981307133	2.217243367	1/20/03	10:24	0:18:44	0:10:45	0.528099317			
2	89	1081	7.063E-05	529	14.031	8.82879E-05	1.87849	0.00109342	30.9821	1.023328948	2.279283182	1/20/03	10:27	0:19:44	0:13:45	0.573488351			
7	89	1081	0.0002472	529	14.031	0.000231938	6.56772	0.001325358	37.5298	1.240398301	2.498332535	1/20/03	10:32	0:24:14	0:18:15	0.835522532			



3	69	1081	0.00010594	529	14.031	9.94019E-05	2.81474	0.00142478	40.3446	1.333426023	2.589362258	1/20/03	10:33	0:25:59	0:20:00	0.658089567
5	69	1081	0.00017857	529	14.031	0.00018587	4.89123	0.00159043	45.0356	1.488475561	2.744411795	1/20/03	10:39	0:31:44	0:25:45	0.727247474
10	69	1080	0.00035315	529	14.016	0.000331033	9.37378	0.001921463	54.4096	1.798287773	3.054224007	1/20/03	10:47	0:39:29	0:33:30	0.811208235
18	69	1080	0.00063567	529	14.018	0.000595659	18.8728	0.002517322	71.2824	2.355949755	3.811865989	1/20/03	10:59	0:51:59	0:48:00	0.930800134
20	69	1080	0.0007083	529	14.018	0.000662066	18.7478	0.003179368	90.0299	2.975574179	4.231510413	1/20/03	11:18	1:08:59	1:03:00	1.072251007
16	66	1060	0.00063567	528	14.018	0.000599898	18.9048	0.003778378	108.935	3.534292339	4.790228573	1/20/03	11:28	1:20:44	1:14:45	1.159980843
15	66	1060	0.00052972	528	14.018	0.000497449	14.0873	0.004273866	121.022	3.998980805	5.255827039	1/20/03	11:39	1:31:29	1:25:30	1.234798429
10	66	1060	0.00035315	526	14.016	0.000331866	9.39153	0.004605528	130.413	4.310289763	5.568228017	1/20/03	11:48	1:40:59	1:35:00	1.29732831
20	68	1079	0.0007083	526	14.005	0.000827066	16.7857	0.005268232	149.179	4.930512925	6.186449159	1/20/03	12:07	1:59:59	1:54:00	1.41411535
25	68	1078	0.00088287	526	13.992	0.000827614	23.4353	0.006095848	172.614	5.705073937	6.981009571	1/20/03	12:28	2:20:44	2:14:45	1.531520868
24	67	1078	0.00084758	527	13.992	0.000798017	22.5406	0.006891883	195.155	6.450062296	7.70599853	1/20/03	12:52	2:44:14	2:38:15	1.654455285
11	67	1078	0.00036646	527	13.992	0.000364841	10.3311	0.007256705	205.486	6.791515569	8.047451803	1/20/03	13:03	2:55:44	2:49:45	1.711399687
10	67	1078	0.00035315	527	13.992	0.000331874	9.39192	0.007588379	214.878	7.101927635	8.357883869	1/20/03	13:19	3:11:44	3:05:45	1.78781189
113	66	1082	0.00399057	526	14.044	0.003768974	108.725	0.011357353	321.603	10.82929277	11.88522893	1/20/03	19:54	9:48:14	9:40:15	3.125788789
84	67	1092	0.00296644	527	14.174	0.002822244	79.9167	0.014179597	401.52	13.27081719	14.52855343	1/21/03	10:02	23:54:14	23:48:15	4.869160346
64	68	1100	0.00226015	526	14.278	0.002170152	61.4516	0.016349749	482.972	15.30185199	18.55758822	1/22/03	15:10	53:02:14	52:58:15	7.282665873
59	68	1099	0.00208357	528	14.285	0.001991219	58.3648	0.018340967	519.358	17.18522422	18.42118048	1/24/03	15:59	101:51:14	101:45:15	10.09228677
42	89	1084	0.00148322	529	14.070	0.001395488	39.5157	0.019738455	556.872	18.47125481	19.72719105	1/27/03	15:09	173:01:14	172:55:15	13.15372782
-5	68	1095	-0.00017868	528	14.213	-0.00016813	-4.761	0.019588322	554.111	18.31389978	19.56983601	1/29/03	13:57	219:49:14	219:43:15	14.82834887
11	68	1085	0.00036646	526	14.083	0.000366515	10.3785	0.019934637	584.49	18.85691939	19.21855562	1/31/03	15:18	269:08:14	269:02:15	18.40540223
8	66	1075	0.00028252	526	13.953	0.000285104	7.50687	0.020199941	571.998	18.90502891	20.16098499	2/3/03	15:45	341:37:14	341:31:15	18.48298016
-14	67	1086	-0.0004944	527	14.096	-0.00046779	-13.248	0.019732151	556.75	18.4872268	19.72316303	2/5/03	15:40	389:32:14	389:26:15	19.73669735

DECANISTERED 2/07/03

SAMPLE: 510' to 512' (Bevier coal) in canister Mer C

DRY WEIGHT		lbs.	grams	est. lost gas (cc) =		TIME OF:		at surface	
sample weight:		0.4579	207.71	4		off bottom		1/20/03 10:37 elapsed time (off bottom to canistering)	
CONVERSION OF VOLUMES TO STP						1/20/03 10:36		1/20/03 10:39	
RIG MEASUREMENTS								0.034 hours	
								0.184089350 SQR T (hrs)	
measured cc	measured T (F)	measured P	cubic ft (@rig)	ABSOLUTE T (F) (@rig)	psia (@rig)	cubic ft (@STP)	cc (@STP)	cubic ft (@STP)	cc (@STP)
2	69	1080	7.063E-05	529	14.016	6.82068E-05	1.87478	6.82068E-05	1.87478
2	69	1080	7.063E-05	529	14.016	6.82068E-05	1.87478	0.00132413	3.74951
1	69	1080	3.5315E-05	529	14.018	3.31033E-05	0.000165517	4.86669	
4	69	1080	0.00014128	529	14.018	0.000132413	3.74951	0.00029793	8.4364
9	69	1080	0.00031783	529	14.018	0.00029793	8.4364	0.000595859	16.8728
7	68	1080	0.0002472	528	14.018	0.000232162	6.57407	0.000828021	23.4469
5	68	1080	0.00017857	526	14.018	0.00016563	4.89576	0.000993651	26.1428
4	68	1080	0.00014128	528	14.018	0.000132864	3.75881	0.001128515	31.8992
8	68	1079	0.00028252	528	14.005	0.000285082	7.50627	0.001391598	39.4055
9	68	1078	0.00031783	528	13.992	0.000297941	8.43672	0.001689539	47.8422
6	67	1078	0.00026252	527	13.992	0.000265339	7.51354	0.001954878	55.3558
5	67	1078	0.00017857	527	13.992	0.000165637	4.89598	0.002120715	60.0517
5	67	1078	0.00017857	527	13.992	0.000165637	4.89598	0.002286552	64.7477
44	66	1082	0.00155365	526	14.044	0.001467565	41.5567	0.003754117	108.304
25	67	1092	0.00066287	527	14.174	0.000639953	23.7647	0.004594071	130.089
17	66	1100	0.00080035	526	14.278	0.000578447	18.3231	0.005170517	146.412
24	68	1099	0.00084758	528	14.285	0.000809987	22.9362	0.005980504	189.346
16	69	1084	0.00058504	529	14.070	0.000531814	15.0538	0.006512119	184.402
-8	68	1095	-0.00028252	528	14.213	-0.00028901	-7.8178	0.008243108	178.784
-2	68	1085	-7.063E-05	528	14.083	-8.8639E-05	-1.867	0.008176487	174.897

DECANISTERED 1/31/03

SAMPLE: 530' to 532' (Crowsburg coal) in canister Mer D

DRY WEIGHT		lbs.	grams	est. lost gas (cc) =		TIME OF:		at surface	
sample weight:		2.1508	975.499	43		off bottom		1/20/03 10:44 elapsed time (off bottom to canistering)	
CONVERSION OF VOLUMES TO STP						1/20/03 10:43		1/20/03 10:45	
RIG MEASUREMENTS								0.027 hours	
								0.164991583 SQR T (hrs)	
measured cc	measured T (F)	measured P	cubic ft (@rig)	ABSOLUTE T (F) (@rig)	psia (@rig)	cubic ft (@STP)	cc (@STP)	cubic ft (@STP)	cc (@STP)
52	69	1080	0.00183837	529	14.016	0.001721372	48.7438	0.001721372	48.7438
5	69	1080	0.00017857	529	14.016	0.000165517	4.88689	0.001686888	53.4305
10	69	1080	0.00035315	529	14.016	0.000331033	9.37378	0.002217921	82.8043
6	69	1080	0.00021189	529	14.018	0.000198862	5.62427	0.002418541	88.4286
5	69	1080	0.00017857	529	14.018	0.000165517	4.88689	0.002582057	73.1154
2	69	1080	7.063E-05	529	14.018	6.82068E-05	1.87478	0.002848264	74.9902
15	69	1080	0.00052972	529	14.018	0.00049655	14.0807	0.003144614	89.0509



8	89	1080	0.00028252	529	14.018	0.000264828	7.48902	0.00340964	98.5499	3.170682768	4.583056041	1/20/03	11:07	0:24:03	0:22:25	0.833113997
15	89	1080	0.00052972	529	14.018	0.00049855	14.0607	0.003906189	110.811	3.832639899	5.044832172	1/20/03	11:15	0:31:18	0:29:40	0.722284958
16	88	1080	0.00056504	528	14.018	0.000530858	15.0284	0.004438645	125.837	4.126132967	5.53632828	1/20/03	11:28	0:42:33	0:40:55	0.84212034
11	88	1080	0.00038848	528	14.018	0.000384828	10.3307	0.004601871	135.988	4.485410172	5.877803445	1/20/03	11:37	0:53:33	0:51:55	0.944722181
9	88	1080	0.00031783	528	14.018	0.000298494	8.45238	0.005100185	144.42	4.743000597	6.155193889	1/20/03	11:47	1:03:18	1:01:40	1.027131929
17	88	1079	0.00080035	528	14.005	0.0005833	15.9508	0.005863485	180.371	5.268652572	6.879045684	1/20/03	12:04	1:20:48	1:19:10	1.180459679
15	88	1079	0.00052972	528	14.005	0.000497029	14.0742	0.006180494	174.445	5.729074894	7.141286167	1/20/03	12:23	1:39:18	1:37:40	1.288488033
16	87	1078	0.00058504	527	13.992	0.000530878	15.0271	0.006891173	189.472	6.222589791	7.634783084	1/20/03	12:49	2:05:46	2:04:10	1.447987109
9	87	1078	0.00031783	527	13.992	0.000298507	8.45237	0.006899679	197.925	6.500191921	7.912385194	1/20/03	13:05	2:21:18	2:19:40	1.534800925
13	87	1078	0.00045909	527	13.992	0.000431178	12.2095	0.007420855	210.134	6.901172775	8.313388047	1/20/03	20:01	9:17:18	9:15:40	3.047678711
25	86	1082	0.00088287	528	14.044	0.000833844	23.8117	0.008254899	233.748	7.878822531	9.088815803	1/21/03	10:00	23:18:18	23:14:40	4.824071588
10	87	1092	0.00035315	527	14.174	0.000335981	9.5139	0.008590881	243.28	7.989075144	9.401286417	1/22/03	15:13	52:28:18	52:27:40	7.244883252
-8	86	1100	-0.0002119	528	14.278	-0.00020345	-5.7811	0.008387229	237.489	7.798871137	9.21206441	1/24/03	18:01	101:17:18	101:15:40	10.08421052
3	86	1099	0.00010594	528	14.285	0.000101248	2.86703	0.008486477	240.388	7.694029124	9.30822396	1/27/03	15:14	172:30:18	172:28:40	13.13411588
12	89	1084	0.00042378	529	14.070	0.000398711	11.2902	0.008887188	251.858	8.284818254	9.877011527	1/27/03	15:14	172:30:18	172:28:40	13.13411588
-16	86	1095	-0.000565	528	14.213	-0.00053803	-15.235	0.008349182	236.421	7.764470082	9.178683355	1/29/03	13:59	219:15:18	219:13:40	14.80726173
15	88	1084	0.00052972	528	14.070	0.000499332	14.1395	0.008848495	250.581	8.22883431	9.841027583	1/31/03	15:20	288:38:18	288:34:40	18.38917328
23	86	1075	0.00081224	526	13.953	0.000782173	21.5823	0.009810688	272.143	8.937832655	10.34982593	2/3/03	15:49	341:05:18	341:03:40	18.48857892
-11	87	1085	-0.0003885	527	14.083	-0.00038721	-10.398	0.009243457	281.745	8.598137972	10.00833124	2/5/03	15:42	388:58:18	388:56:40	19.72238463

DECANISTERED 2/07/03

SAMPLE: 594' to 596' (Tebco coal) in canister Mer E

DRY WEIGHT	lbs.	grams								est. lost gas (cc) =				at surface				
sample weight:	0.7847	355.938								8				1/20/03	11:05	elapsed time (off bottom to canistering)		
CONVERSION OF VOLUMES TO STP														in canister		1.5 minutes		
RIG MEASUREMENTS														1/20/03	11:05	1/20/03	11:06	0.025 hours
measured cc	measured T (F)	measured P	cubic ft (@rig)	ABSOLUTE T (F) (@rig)	psia (@rig)	cubic ft (@STP)	cc (@STP)	CUMULATIVE VOLUMES	SCF/TON	SCF/TON	SCF/TON	TIME OF MEASURE	TIME SINCE	off bottom	in canister	SQRT hrs. (since off bottom)	0.15899887 SQRT (hrs)	
3	89	1080	0.00010594	529	14.018	9.93099E-05	2.81213	9.93099E-05	2.81213	0.253112707	0.973171806	1/20/03	11:09	0:04:21	0:02:50	0.28925824		
7	89	1080	0.0002472	529	14.018	0.000231723	0.000331033	9.37378	0.843709025	1.583788123	1/20/03	11:12	0:07:36	0:06:05	0.355902808			
1	89	1080	3.5315E-05	529	14.018	3.31033E-05	0.93738	0.000384138	10.3112	0.928079927	1.848139028	1/20/03	11:14	0:08:51	0:07:20	0.384057287		
6	89	1080	0.00021189	529	14.018	0.000198882	5.82427	0.000582758	15.9354	1.434305342	2.154384441	1/20/03	11:20	0:14:51	0:13:20	0.497493718		
7	88	1080	0.00021189	528	14.018	0.000198998	5.83492	0.000781752	21.5703	1.941489517	2.661548816	1/20/03	11:25	0:20:08	0:18:35	0.578791845		
6	88	1080	0.0002472	528	14.018	0.000232162	6.57407	0.000993914	28.1444	2.533204388	3.253263487	1/20/03	11:38	0:31:08	0:29:35	0.719953702		
5	88	1080	0.00017857	528	14.018	0.00016583	4.89578	0.001159744	32.8402	2.955857867	3.875918988	1/20/03	11:45	0:39:51	0:38:20	0.814984212		
3	88	1080	0.00010594	528	14.018	9.9498E-05	2.81748	0.001259242	35.6578	3.209449955	3.929509053	1/20/03	11:51	0:45:51	0:44:20	0.874188269		
3	88	1080	0.00010594	528	14.018	9.9498E-05	2.81748	0.00135874	38.4751	3.483042042	4.183101141	1/20/03	11:54	0:49:08	0:47:35	0.904817783		
2	88	1080	7.063E-05	528	14.018	8.8332E-05	1.87831	0.001425072	40.3534	3.632103434	4.352182533	1/20/03	11:58	0:51:38	0:50:05	0.92738185		
3	88	1079	0.00010594	528	14.005	9.94059E-05	2.81485	0.001524478	43.1882	3.885480714	4.605519813	1/20/03	12:02	0:57:38	0:56:05	0.979795897		
3	88	1079	0.00010594	528	14.005	9.94059E-05	2.81485	0.001823864	45.9631	4.138817994	4.858877093	1/20/03	12:09	1:03:51	1:02:20	1.031584542		
5	88	1079	0.00017857	528	14.005	0.000185878	4.89142	0.00178956	50.8745	4.581080128	5.281139228	1/20/03	12:21	1:18:38	1:15:05	1.12989875		
10	87	1078	0.00035315	527	13.992	0.000331674	9.39192	0.002121234	80.8864	5.40842273	6.128481829	1/20/03	12:48	1:43:08	1:41:35	1.31085214		
6	87	1078	0.00021189	527	13.992	0.000199004	5.83515	0.002320238	85.7018	5.913828292	6.833887391	1/20/03	13:08	2:00:51	1:59:20	1.419213397		
5	87	1078	0.00017857	527	13.992	0.000185837	4.89598	0.002486075	70.3978	6.338299594	7.056358892	1/20/03	13:23	2:17:51	2:16:20	1.515750639		
32	86	1082	0.00113007	528	14.044	0.00108732	30.223	0.003553398	100.821	9.056595237	9.778854338	1/20/03	20:03	8:57:51	8:56:20	2.994021821		
16	87	1092	0.00058504	527	14.174	0.00053757	15.2222	0.004090988	115.943	10.42670896	11.14878806	1/21/03	9:59	22:53:51	22:52:20	4.785133227		
9	86	1100	0.00031783	528	14.278	0.000305178	8.64183	0.004396143	124.484	11.20451993	11.92457903	1/22/03	15:14	52:08:51	52:07:20	7.221322594		
5	88	1094	0.00017857	528	14.200	0.00018798	4.75884	0.004584123	129.241	11.83285225	12.35271135	1/24/03	18:02	100:58:51	100:55:20	10.04728334		
-2	89	1084	-7.083E-05	529	14.070	-8.6452E-05	-1.8617	0.004497871	127.359	11.48328547	12.18334457	1/27/03	15:18	172:10:51	172:09:20	13.12178944		
-14	86	1095	-0.0004944	528	14.213	-0.00047077	-13.331	0.004028898	114.029	10.28341921	10.98347831	1/29/03	14:07	219:01:51	219:00:20	14.79989031		

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SAMPLE: 645' to 647' (Weir-Pittsburg coal) in canister Mer F

DRY WEIGHT	lbs.	grams								est. lost gas (cc) =				at surface				
sample weight:	0.7081	320.27								9				1/20/03	11:21	elapsed time (off bottom to canistering)		
CONVERSION OF VOLUMES TO STP														in canister		1.8 minutes		
RIG MEASUREMENTS														1/20/03	11:21	1/20/03	11:23	0.030 hours
measured cc	measured T (F)	measured P	cubic ft (@rig)	ABSOLUTE T (F) (@rig)	psia (@rig)	cubic ft (@STP)	cc (@STP)	CUMULATIVE VOLUMES	SCF/TON	SCF/TON	SCF/TON	TIME OF MEASURE	TIME SINCE	off bottom	in canister	SQRT hrs. (since off bottom)	0.17320581 SQRT (hrs)	
10	88	1080	0.00035315	528	14.018	0.00033188	9.39153	0.00033188	9.39153	0.939447554	1.839729958	1/20/03	11:29	0:08:18	0:08:30	0.371931893		
2	88	1080	7.083E-05	528	14.018	8.8332E-05	1.87831	0.000397992	11.2898	1.127337065	2.027819467	1/20/03	11:30	0:09:18	0:07:30	0.393700394		
3	88	1080	0.00010594	528	14.018	9.9498E-05	2.81748	0.00049749	14.0873	1.409171331	2.309453733	1/20/03	11:33	0:11:48	0:10:00	0.443471158		
2	88	1080	7.083E-05	528	14.018	8.8332E-05	1.87831	0.000583822	15.9859	1.597080842	2.497343244	1/20/03	11:35	0:14:03	0:12:15	0.483907705		
5	88	1080	0.00017857	528	14.018	0.00016583	4.89578	0.000729852	20.8814	2.068784819	2.987087021	1/20/03	11:41	0:20:33	0:18:45	0.585234995		
7	88	1080	0.0002472	528	14.018	0.000232162	6.57407	0.000981814	27.2354	2.724397907	3.824880309	1/20/03	11:50	0:29:03	0:27:15	0.895820858		
5	88																	



10	67	1078	0.00035315	527	13.992	0.000331874	9.39192	0.001757382	49.7633	4.977893849	5.878178251	1/20/03	12:47	1:25:48	1:24:00	1.195826074
8	67	1078	0.00028252	527	13.992	0.000265339	7.51354	0.002022721	57.2789	5.729483584	8.829785985	1/20/03	13:06	1:45:18	1:43:30	1.32476413
6	67	1078	0.00021189	527	13.992	0.000198004	5.83515	0.002221725	62.912	6.293175885	7.193458286	1/20/03	13:22	2:00:48	1:59:00	1.418919777
28	66	1082	0.00098881	528	14.044	0.000933905	28.4451	0.003155583	89.3572	8.938520491	9.838802892	1/20/03	20:04	8:42:48	8:41:00	2.951835587
19	67	1092	0.00067098	527	14.174	0.000638385	18.0764	0.003793995	107.434	10.74872828	11.84701086	1/21/03	9:57	22:35:48	22:34:00	4.753595131
17	68	1100	0.00060035	526	14.278	0.000576447	18.3231	0.004370442	123.757	12.37954923	13.27983183	1/22/03	15:15	51:53:48	51:52:00	7.20393411
14	68	1084	0.00049441	528	14.200	0.000470343	13.3188	0.004840785	137.075	13.71182504	14.81210744	1/24/03	18:03	100:41:48	100:40:00	10.03477288
8	69	1084	0.00028252	529	14.070	0.000285807	7.52879	0.005108592	144.802	14.48474086	15.36502306	1/27/03	15:18	171:58:48	171:55:00	13.11284358
-14	68	1095	-0.00049444	528	14.213	-0.00047077	-13.331	0.004835819	131.271	13.13124704	14.03152945	1/29/03	14:08	218:48:48	218:45:00	14.79121361
8	68	1084	0.00028252	528	14.070	0.000288311	7.54105	0.00490213	138.812	13.86558864	14.78587104	1/31/03	15:21	287:59:48	287:58:00	16.37060374
20	68	1075	0.0007083	526	13.953	0.000882759	18.7872	0.005564889	157.58	15.76289817	18.88317857	2/3/03	15:49	340:27:48	340:26:00	18.45184853
-4	67	1086	-0.0001413	527	14.098	-0.00013385	-3.7648	0.005431235	153.795	15.38431247	18.28459487	2/5/03	15:48	388:24:48	388:23:00	19.70820472

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SAMPLE: 786' to 789' (Riverton coal) in canister Mer G

DRY WEIGHT		lbs.	grams	est. lost gas (cc) =		TIME OF:		at surface								
sample weight:		2.0853	945.882	35		1/20/03	12:04	elapsed time (off bottom to canistering)								
CONVERSION OF VOLUMES TO STP						1/20/03	12:04	1.7 minutes								
RIG MEASUREMENTS						1/20/03	12:05	0.028 hours								
measured cc	measured T (F)	measured P	cubic ft (@rig)	ABSOLUTE T (F) (@rig)	pela	(@rig)	cubic ft (@STP)	cc (@STP)	SCF/TON	without lost gas	SCF/TON	with lost gas	TIME OF MEASURE	TIME SINCE	in canister	SQRT hrs. (since off bottom)
32	68	1079	0.00113007	528	14.005	0.001060329	30.0251	0.001080329	30.0251	1.018949779	2.202400745	1/20/03	12:11	0:07:27	0:05:45	0.352372908
6	68	1079	0.00021189	528	14.005	0.000198812	5.8297	0.001259141	35.8548	1.207627883	2.393078828	1/20/03	12:12	0:08:27	0:08:45	0.375277675
9	68	1079	0.00031783	528	14.005	0.000298218	8.44455	0.001557358	44.0993	1.493644988	2.879095954	1/20/03	12:14	0:10:12	0:08:30	0.412310582
6	68	1079	0.00021189	528	14.005	0.000198812	5.8297	0.00175817	49.729	1.884323072	2.889774037	1/20/03	12:15	0:11:42	0:10:00	0.441588043
7	68	1079	0.0002472	528	14.005	0.000231947	8.58798	0.001988117	58.297	1.908780836	3.092231802	1/20/03	12:17	0:13:12	0:11:30	0.469041576
10	68	1079	0.00035315	528	14.005	0.000331353	9.38283	0.00231947	85.6798	2.224577642	3.410028808	1/20/03	12:19	0:15:12	0:13:30	0.50322296
20	68	1079	0.0007083	528	14.005	0.000882708	18.7857	0.002982176	84.4455	2.880171254	4.04562222	1/20/03	12:24	0:20:12	0:18:30	0.580229839
26	68	1078	0.00091818	528	13.992	0.000880719	24.3728	0.003842895	108.818	3.885877175	4.87112814	1/20/03	12:32	0:28:27	0:28:45	0.688597609
14	68	1078	0.00049441	528	13.992	0.000483464	13.1238	0.004308359	121.942	4.130180362	5.315831328	1/20/03	12:38	0:33:57	0:32:15	0.75221894
15	68	1078	0.00052972	528	13.992	0.000498589	14.0812	0.004802928	138.003	4.806433778	5.791884743	1/20/03	12:44	0:40:27	0:38:45	0.821076529
28	67	1078	0.00098881	527	13.992	0.000828687	28.2974	0.005731815	182.301	5.497127073	8.882578038	1/20/03	12:58	0:51:57	0:50:15	0.930501857
11	67	1078	0.00038848	527	13.992	0.000384841	10.3311	0.006098456	172.832	5.847042296	7.032493281	1/20/03	13:01	0:58:57	0:55:15	0.97425185
14	67	1078	0.00049441	527	13.992	0.000484344	13.1487	0.006580799	185.78	6.292388843	7.477839908	1/20/03	13:08	1:04:42	1:03:00	1.0384283
31	67	1078	0.00109478	527	13.992	0.001028189	29.115	0.007588989	214.895	7.278513862	8.463984628	1/20/03	13:23	1:19:27	1:17:45	1.150724409
185	67	1092	0.00853324	527	14.174	0.008215858	178.007	0.013804844	390.903	13.23987927	14.42533023	1/21/03	9:55	21:50:57	21:49:15	4.874309218
192	68	1100	0.00678044	526	14.278	0.006510458	184.355	0.0203151	575.257	19.48398395	20.88943492	1/22/03	15:17	51:12:57	51:11:15	7.15852383
178	68	1094	0.0062154	528	14.200	0.005912883	187.434	0.028227983	742.891	25.1549834	28.34041436	1/24/03	18:05	100:00:57	99:59:15	10.00079184
126	69	1084	0.00452029	529	14.070	0.004252918	120.429	0.030480899	883.12	29.23388714	30.4193381	1/27/03	15:20	171:15:57	171:14:15	13.08885727
67	68	1085	0.00238809	528	14.213	0.002252985	83.7972	0.032733883	926.917	31.39469925	32.58015022	1/29/03	14:08	218:03:57	218:02:15	14.76705229
87	68	1084	0.00238809	528	14.070	0.002230352	83.1583	0.034984235	890.073	33.53380457	34.71925554	1/31/03	15:23	287:18:57	287:17:15	16.34979813
88	68	1075	0.00240141	526	13.953	0.002253382	83.8084	0.037217817	1053.88	35.894998	36.88044897	2/3/03	15:50	339:45:57	339:44:15	18.43273809
15	67	1086	0.00052972	527	14.098	0.000501203	14.1924	0.03771882	1088.07	38.17569818	37.38114715	2/5/03	15:48	387:41:57	387:40:15	19.69007787
9	66	1090	0.00031783	526	14.148	0.000302403	8.58307	0.038021223	1076.84	36.48572775	37.65117871	2/7/03	18:34	438:29:57	438:28:15	20.94037169
42	67	1083	0.00148322	527	14.057	0.001399492	39.829	0.039420715	1118.27	37.80798453	38.9934155	2/10/03	14:01	505:58:57	505:55:15	22.49331382
13	68	1091	0.00045909	528	14.181	0.000435549	12.3333	0.039858284	1128.8	38.22569504	39.411148	2/12/03	13:48	553:41:57	553:40:15	23.53081313
55	68	1088	0.00194231	528	13.882	0.001803882	51.0795	0.041880126	1179.88	39.95575846	41.14120943	2/14/03	18:25	808:20:57	808:19:15	24.82415819
-11	68	1084	-0.0003885	526	14.070	-0.00038757	-10.408	0.041292557	1189.27	39.80322872	40.78867788	2/17/03	13:58	873:53:57	873:52:15	25.95958792
4	68	1090	0.00014128	528	14.148	0.000133892	3.79139	0.041428449	1173.08	39.73184137	40.91709233	2/19/03	13:41	721:38:57	721:35:15	26.88290813
42	69	1073	0.00148322	529	13.927	0.001381327	39.1147	0.042807778	1212.18	41.0584587	42.24190787	2/21/03	14:44	770:39:57	770:38:15	27.78088874
-23	67	1090	-0.0008122	527	14.148	-0.00077134	-21.842	0.042038434	1190.33	40.31887138	41.50212232	2/23/03	22:24	828:18:57	828:18:15	28.74599972
-12	68	1100	-0.0004238	526	14.278	-0.0004089	-11.522	0.041829331	1178.81	39.92641481	41.11188578	2/24/03	14:10	842:05:57	842:04:15	29.01894496
38	69	1084	0.00134198	529	14.070	0.001282584	35.7523	0.042892115	1214.56	41.1373453	42.32279826	2/28/03	15:41	891:38:57	891:35:15	29.85993693
7	67	1083	0.0002472	527	14.057	0.000233249	6.80484	0.043125364	1221.17	41.38105143	42.5485024	2/27/03	18:48	918:41:57	918:40:15	30.31005059
4	68	1083	0.00014128	528	14.057	0.000133032	3.78705	0.04328398	1224.94	41.4886414	42.87409237	2/28/03	15:09	939:04:57	939:03:15	30.84445301
24	89	1078	0.00084758	529	13.988	0.000791537	22.4137	0.044049933	1247.35	42.24779533	43.4332463	3/3/03	13:54	1009:49:57	1009:48:15	31.77786179
-1	67	1075	-3.531E-05	527	13.953	-3.3075E-05	-0.9368	0.044018858	1248.41	42.21807339	43.40152435	3/4/03	19:38	1039:33:57	1039:32:15	32.24229882

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323' to 325' (Mulberry coal) in canister Mer A  
Meritage KCM Brown #13-31; NW NE sec. 13-T.22S.-R.21E., Linn County, KS

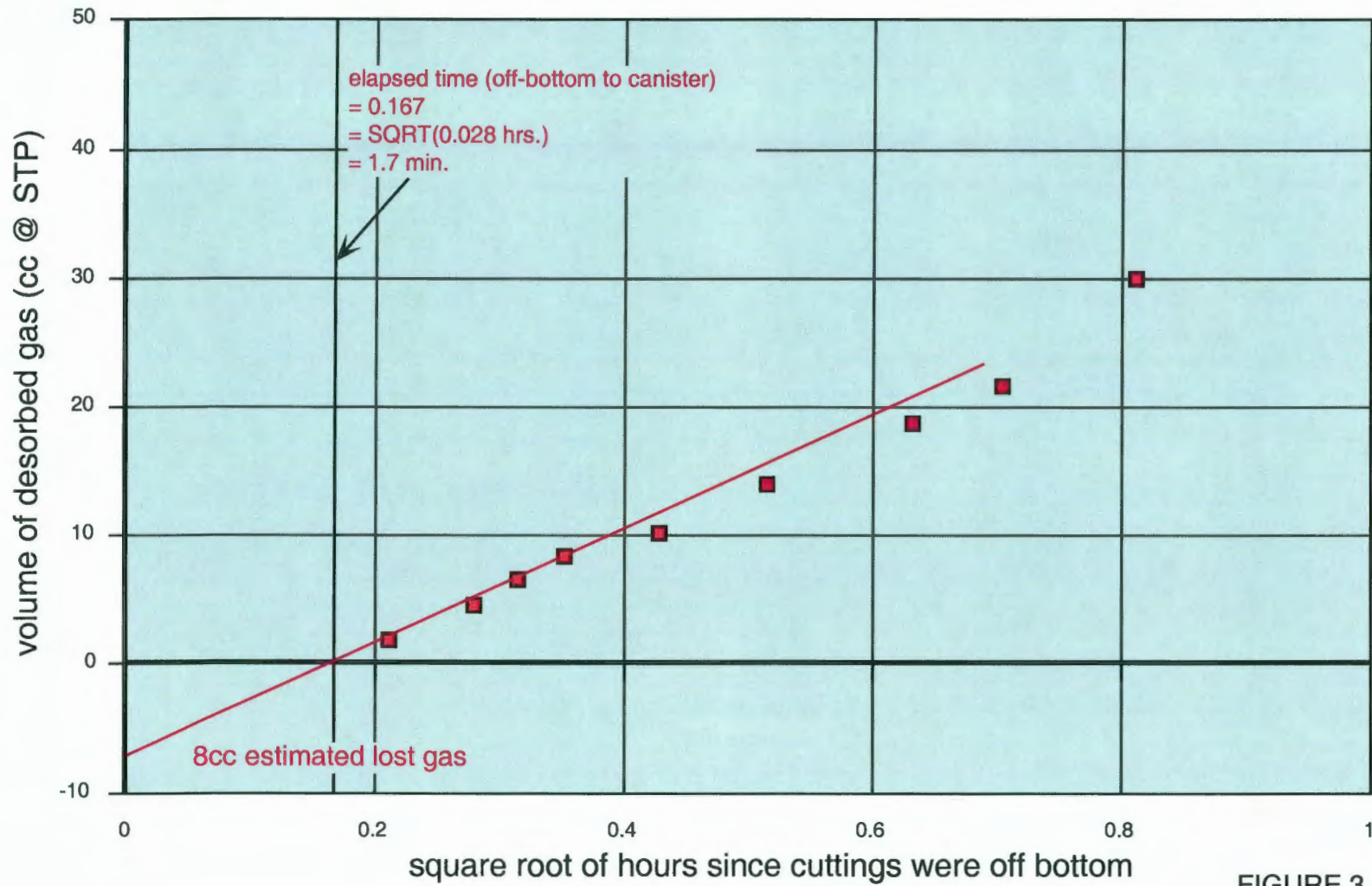


FIGURE 3.



422' to 428' (Little Osage Shale) in canister Mer B  
 Meritage KCM Brown #13-31; NW NE sec. 13-T.22S.-R.21E., Linn County, KS

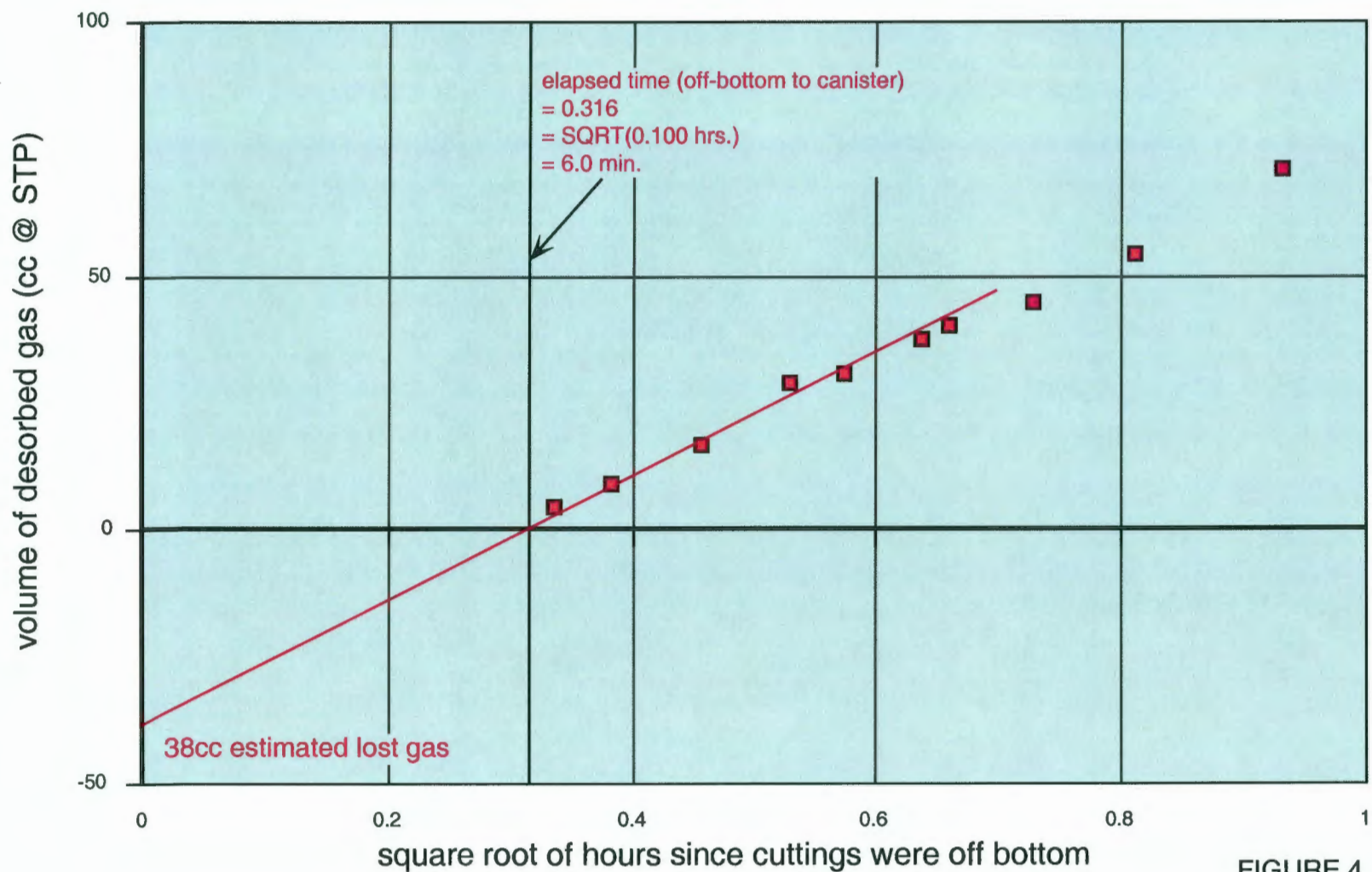


FIGURE 4.

# 510' to 512' (Bevier coal) in canister Mer C

Meritage KCM Brown #13-31; NW NE sec. 13-T.22S.-R.21E., Linn County, KS

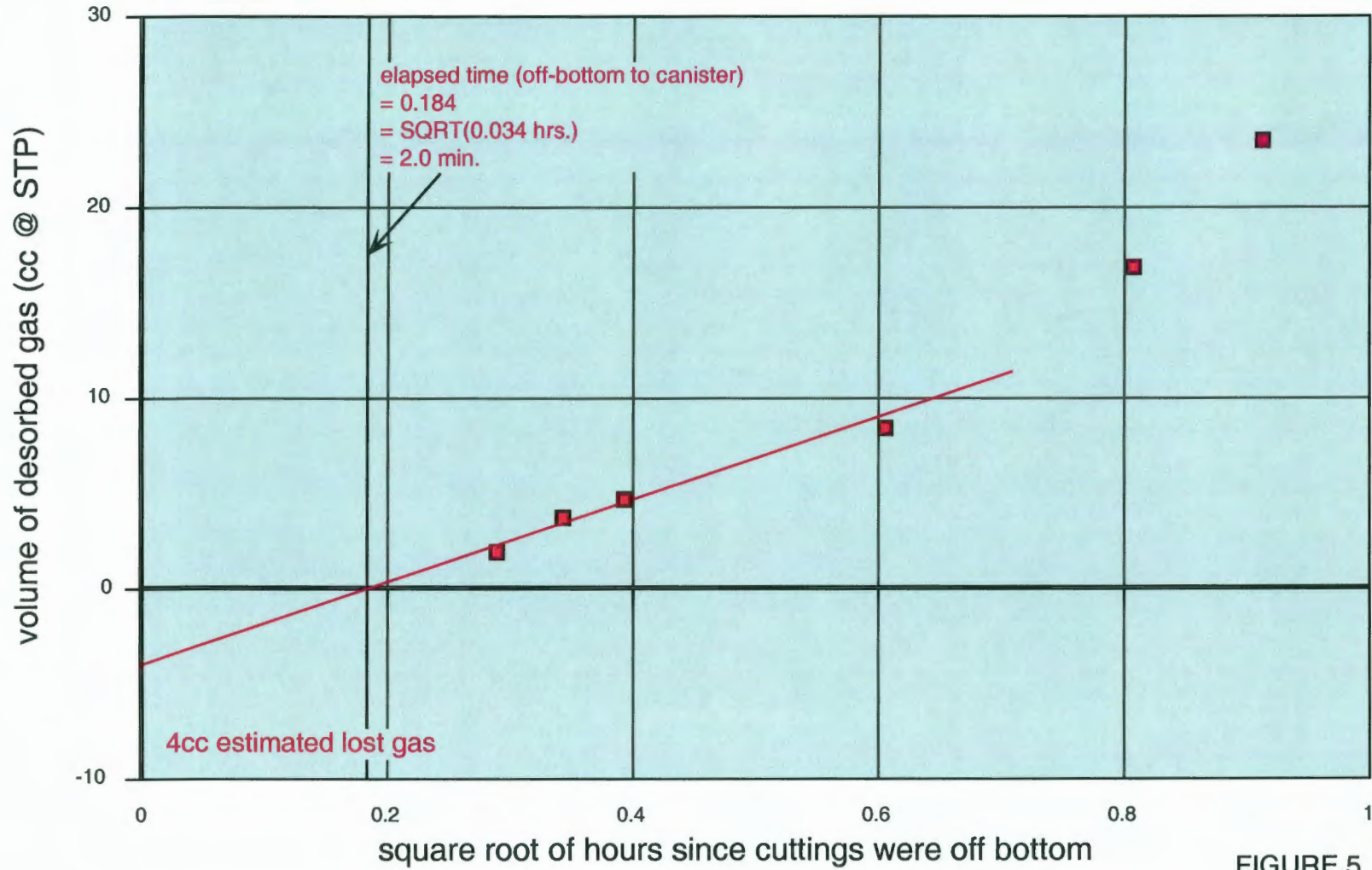


FIGURE 5.



530' to 532' (Croweburg coal) in canister Mer D  
 Meritage KCM Brown #13-31; NW NE sec. 13-T.22S.-R.21E., Linn County, KS

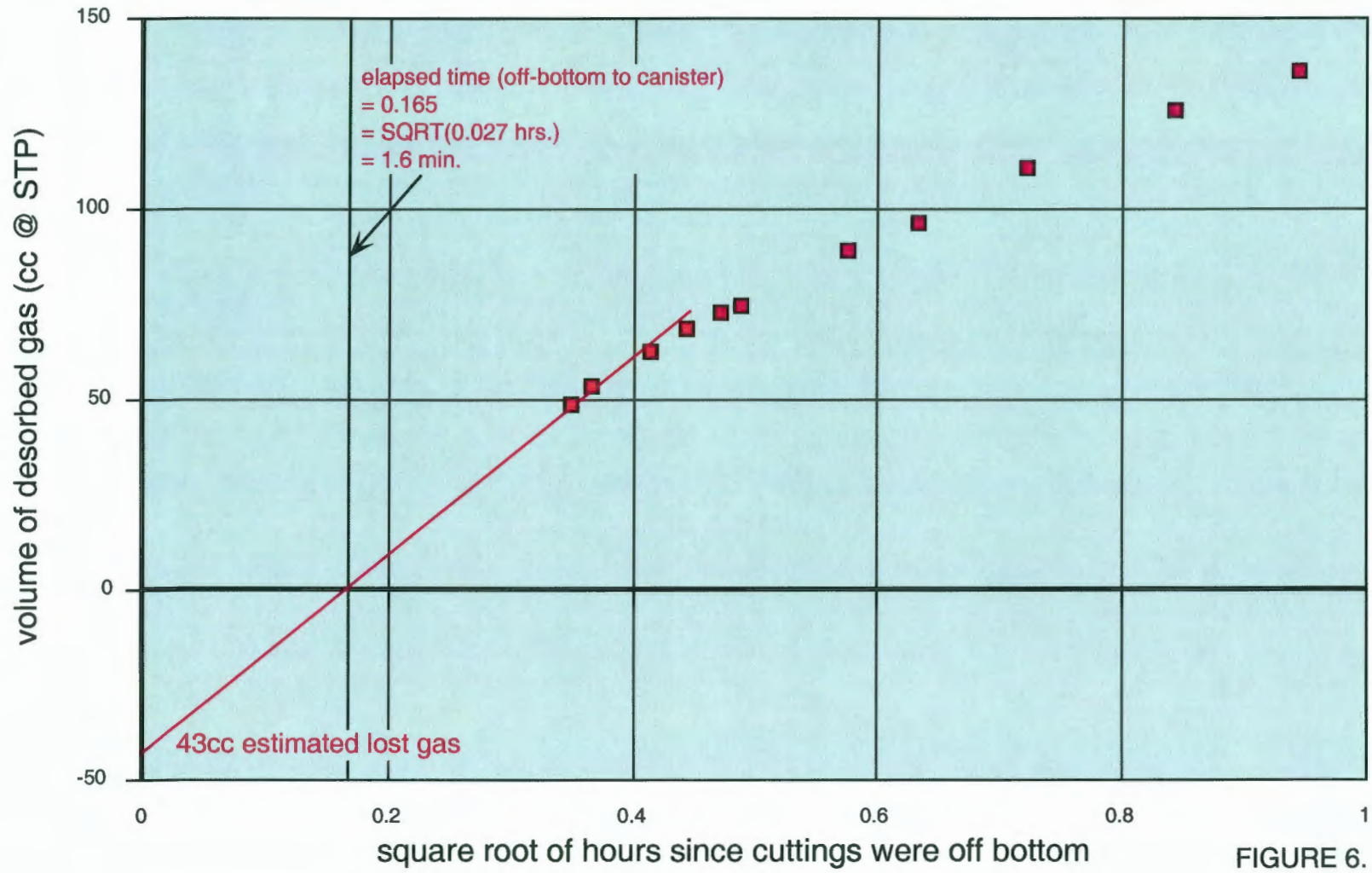


FIGURE 6.

# 594' to 596' (Tebo coal) in canister Mer E

Meritage KCM Brown #13-31; NW NE sec. 13-T.22S.-R.21E., Linn County, KS

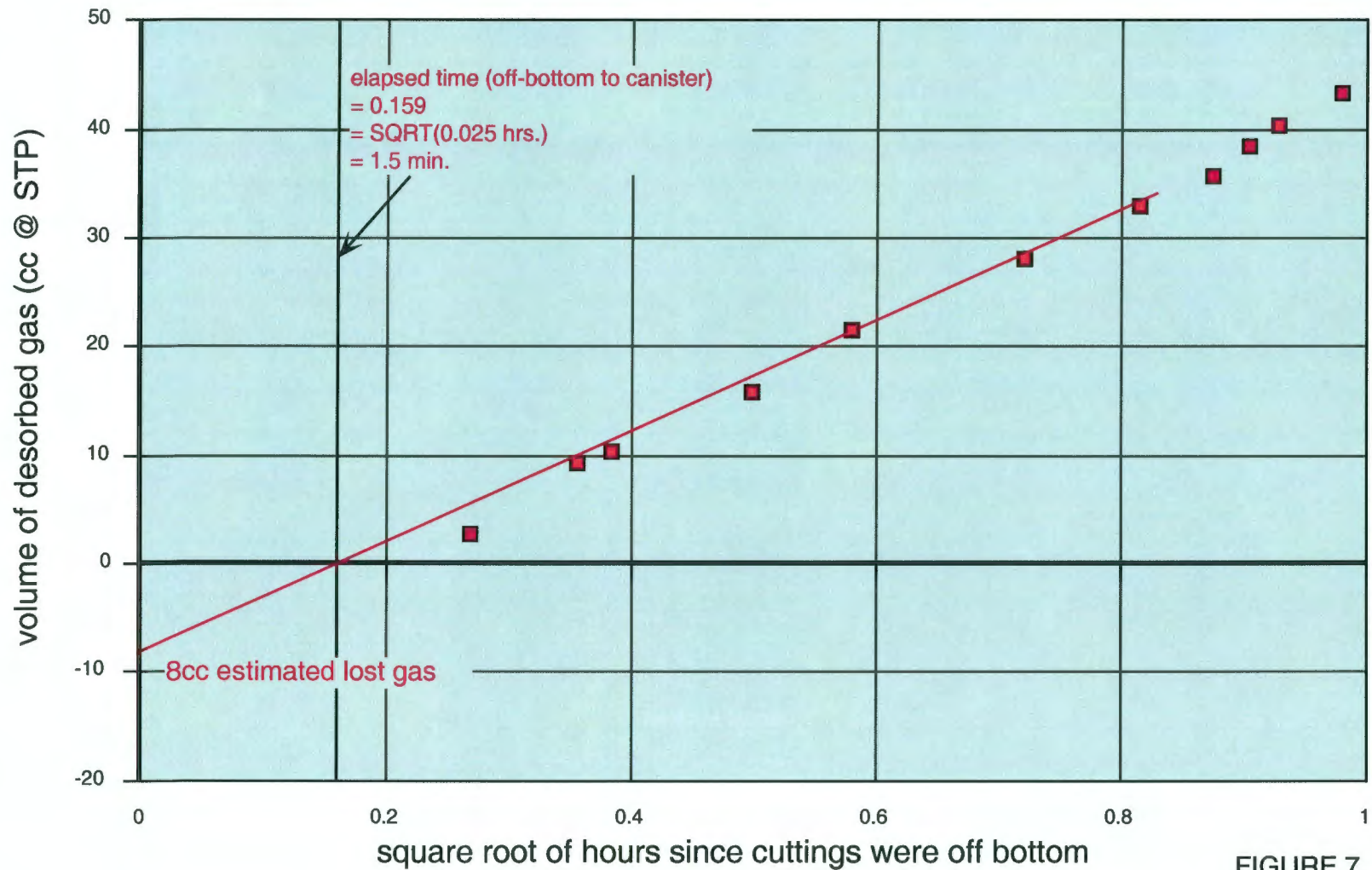


FIGURE 7.



645' to 647' (Weir-Pittsburg coal) in canister Mer F  
Meritage KCM Brown #13-31; NW NE sec. 13-T.22S.-R.21E., Linn County, KS

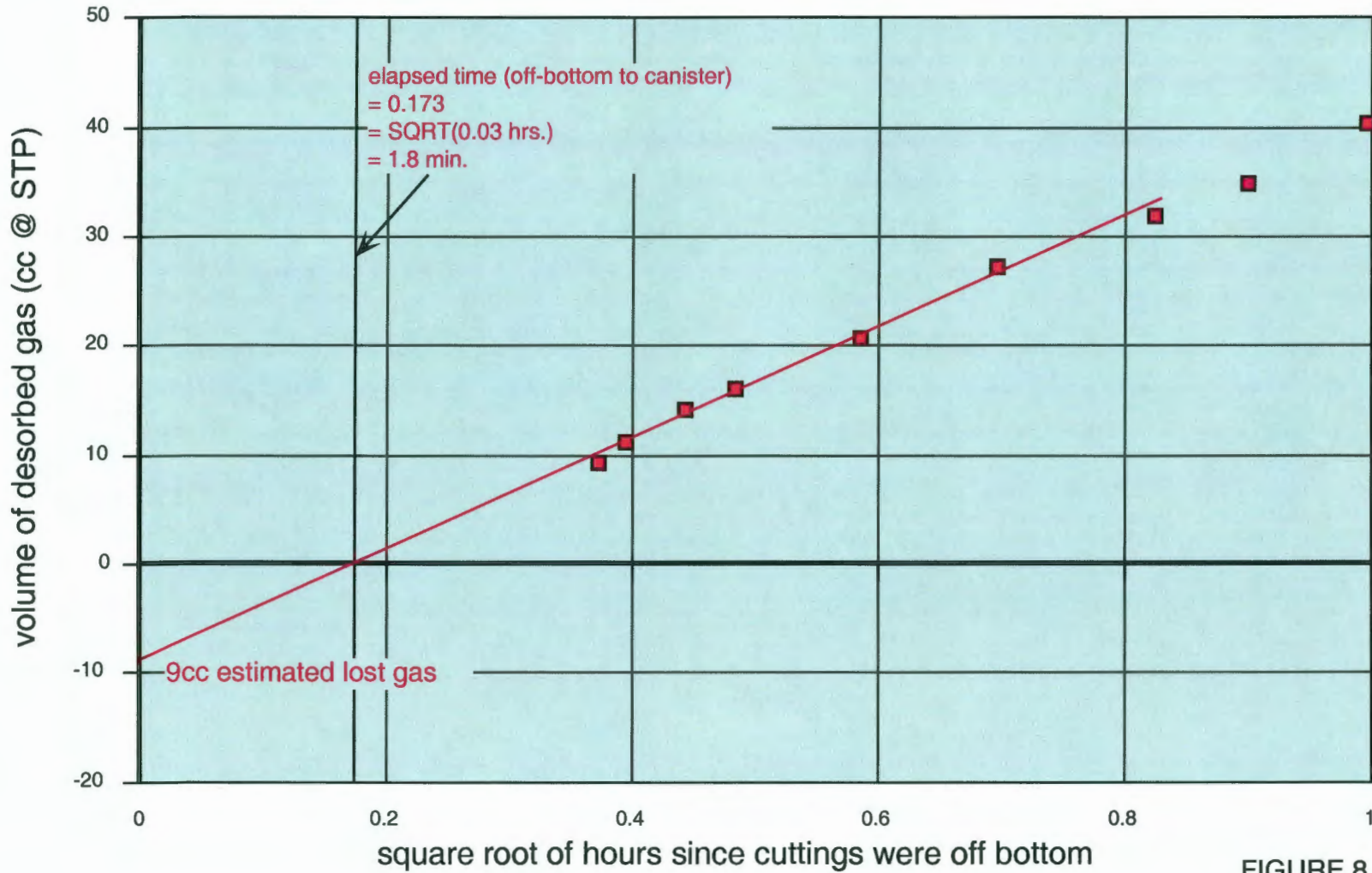


FIGURE 8.

766' to 769' (Riverton coal) in canister Mer G  
 Meritage KCM Brown #13-31; NW NE sec. 13-T.22S.-R.21E., Linn County, KS

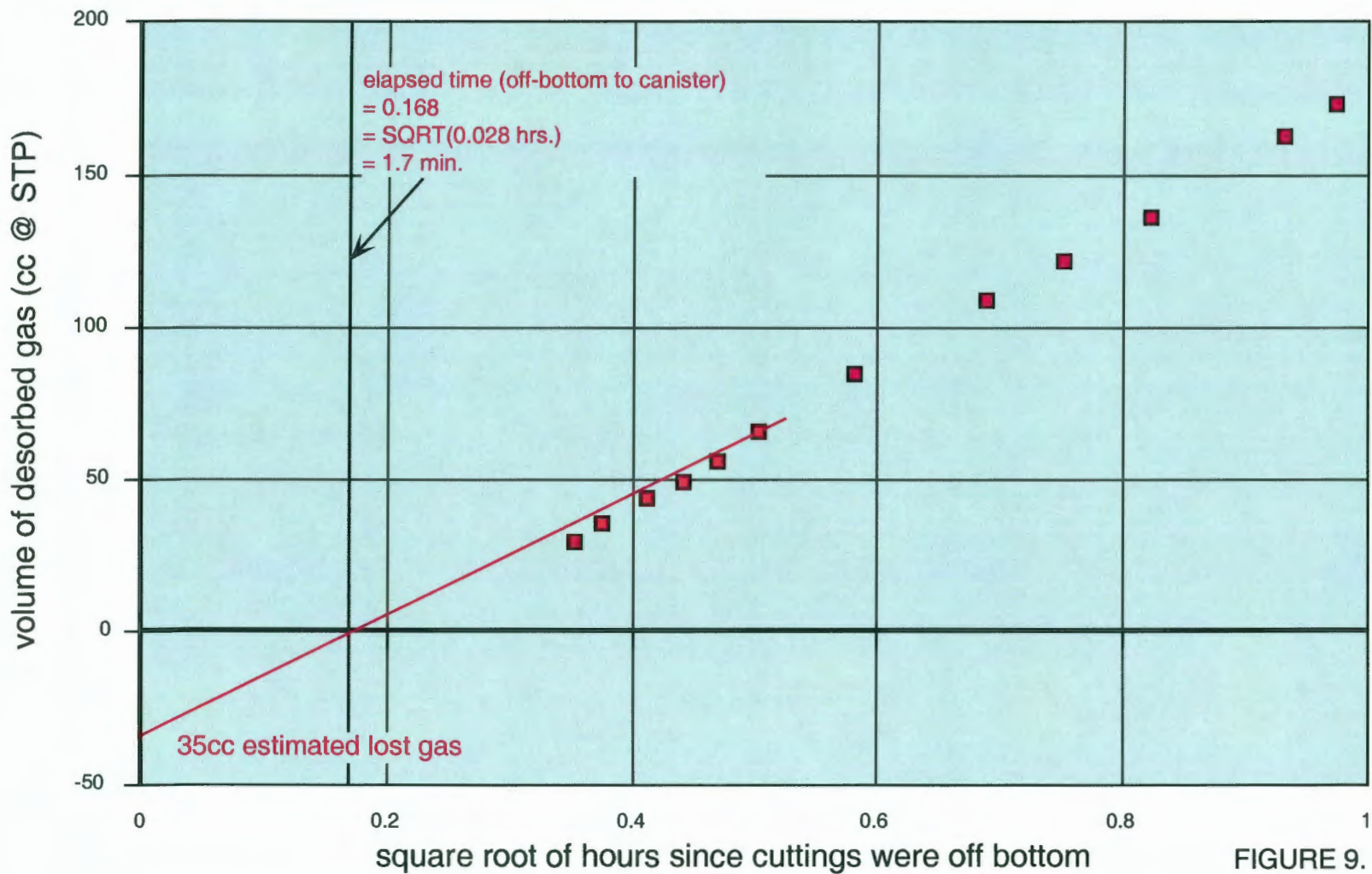


FIGURE 9.



# Desorption Characteristics of Cuttings Samples

Meritage KCM #13-31 Brown; NW NE sec. 13-T.22S.-R.21E., Linn County, KS

LITHOLOGIC COMPONENT SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS for calculation of gas content of Mulberry coal at 323-325'

$$\text{GAS CONTENT}_{\text{coal}} =$$

$$\frac{\text{total gas desorbed} - ((\text{gas content}_{\text{dark shale}}) * (\text{weight}_{\text{dark shale}}))}{\text{weight}_{\text{coal}}}$$

total gas desorbed = 796 ccs

TOTAL DRY WEIGHT OF SAMPLE = 357.47 grams

weight<sub>light-colored lithologies</sub> = 3.99 grams (1.1%)

weight<sub>dark shale</sub> = 80.99 grams (22.7%)

weight<sub>coal</sub> = 272.49 grams (76.2%)

sieve size	grams	% coal / % dark shale / % light-colored liths
>0.0930"	153.34	70.64% / 27.99% / 1.37%
>0.0661"	105.28	79.97% / 19.15% / 0.88%
>0.0460"	72.04	80.24% / 18.54% / 1.22%
>0.0331"	17.95	84.62% / 15.38% / 0.00%
<0.0331"	8.86	78.87% / 20.26% / 0.87%
<b>357.47 TOTAL</b>		

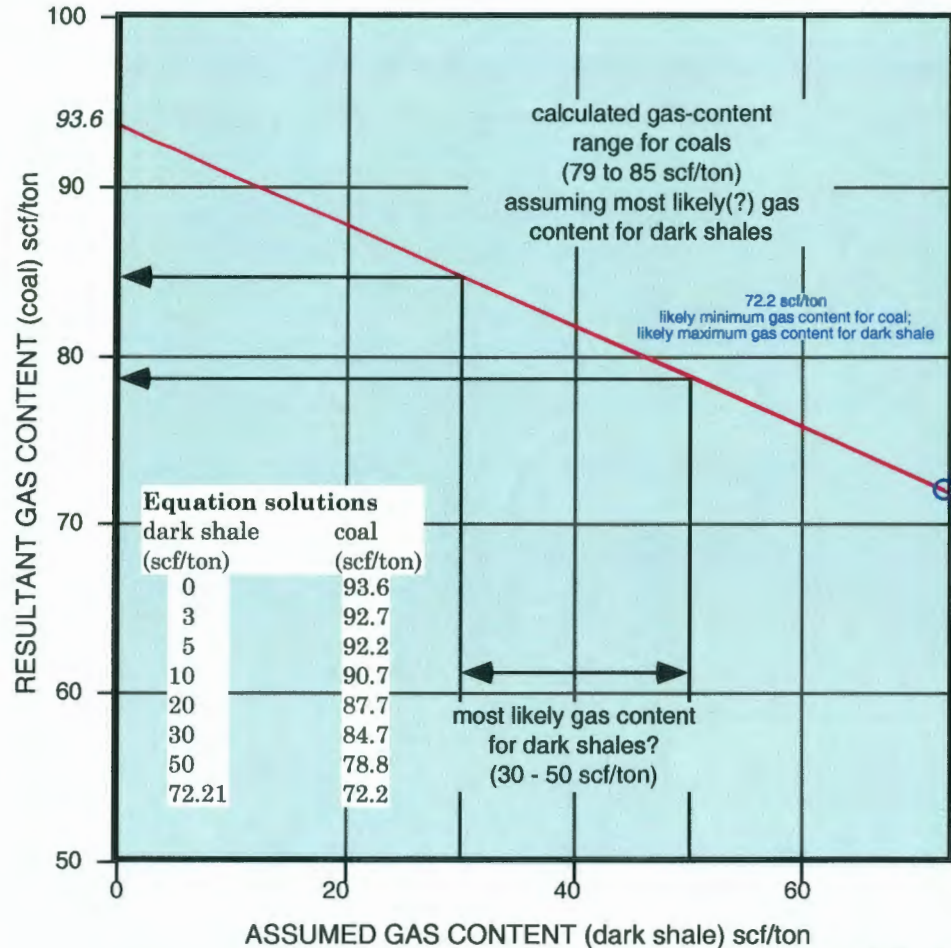


FIGURE 10.

# Desorption Characteristics of Cuttings Samples

Meritage KCM #13-31 Brown; NW NE sec. 13-T.22S.-R.21E., Linn County, KS

LITHOLOGIC COMPONENT SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS for calculation of gas content of Little Osage Shale at 422-428'

$$\text{GAS CONTENT}_{\text{coal}} =$$

$$\frac{\text{total gas desorbed} - ((\text{gas content}_{\text{dark shale}}) * (\text{weight}_{\text{dark shale}}))}{\text{weight}_{\text{coal}}}$$

total gas desorbed = 610 ccs

TOTAL DRY WEIGHT OF SAMPLE = 1036.42 grams

weight<sub>light-colored lithologies</sub> = 67.10 grams (6.5%)

weight<sub>dark shale</sub> = 969.32 grams (93.5%)

weight<sub>coal</sub> = 0.00 grams (0.0%)

sieve size	grams	% coal / % dark shale / % light-colored liths
>0.0930"	623.96	0.00% / 93.12% / 6.88%
>0.0661"	192.05	0.00% / 91.46% / 8.54%
>0.0460"	136.50	0.00% / 96.74% / 3.26%
>0.0331"	54.95	0.00% / 96.84% / 3.16%
<0.0331"	28.96	0.00% / 94.54% / 5.46%
<b>1036.42 TOTAL</b>		

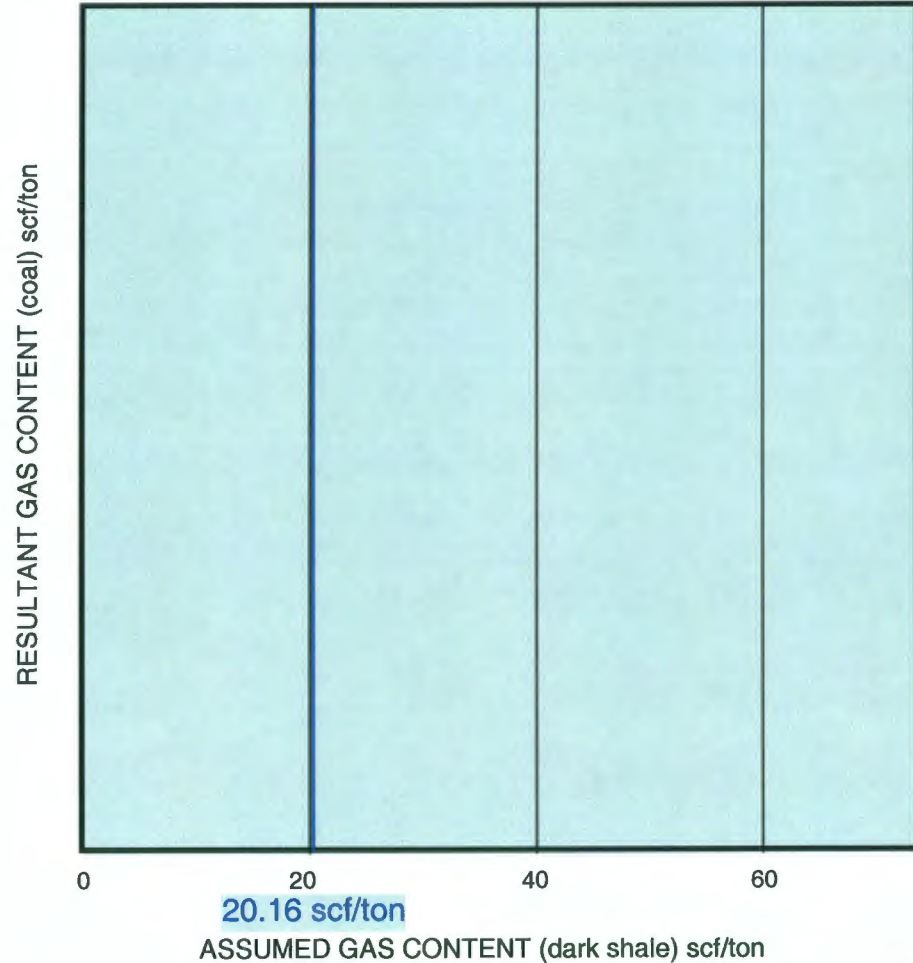


FIGURE 11.



# Desorption Characteristics of Cuttings Samples

Meritage KCM #13-31 Brown; NW NE sec. 13-T.22S.-R.21E., Linn County, KS

LITHOLOGIC COMPONENT SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS for calculation of gas content of Bevier coal at 510-512'

$$\text{GAS CONTENT}_{\text{coal}} =$$

$$\frac{\text{total gas desorbed} - ((\text{gas content}_{\text{dark shale}}) * (\text{weight}_{\text{dark shale}}))}{\text{weight}_{\text{coal}}}$$

total gas desorbed = 188 ccs

TOTAL DRY WEIGHT OF SAMPLE = 208.33 grams

weight<sub>light-colored lithologies</sub> = 0.62 grams (0.3%)

weight<sub>dark shale</sub> = 55.36 grams (26.6%)

weight<sub>coal</sub> = 152.35 grams (73.1%)

sieve size	grams	% coal / % dark shale / % light-colored liths
>0.0930"	94.58	75.95% / 23.93% / 0.12%
>0.0661"	67.86	75.38% / 24.50% / 0.12%
>0.0460"	36.19	63.76% / 35.09% / 1.15%
>0.0331"	7.60	63.56% / 36.44% / 0.00%
<0.0331"	2.10	69.66% / 29.99% / 0.35%
<b>208.33 TOTAL</b>		

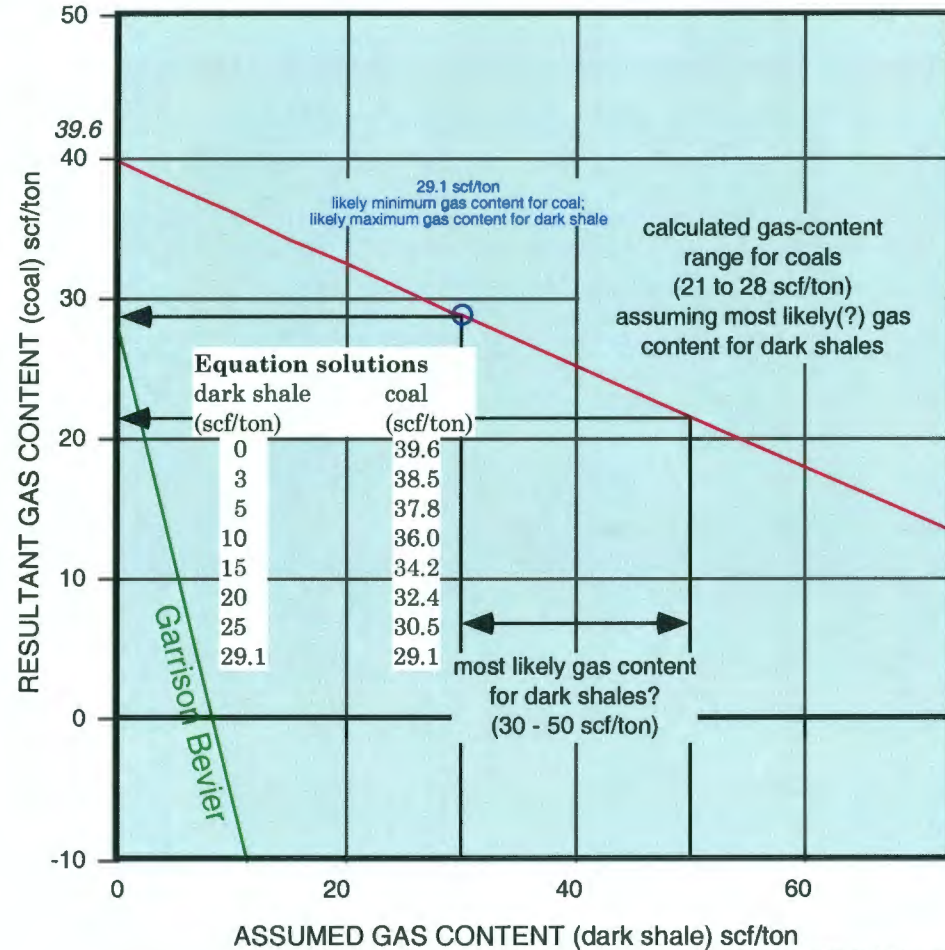


FIGURE 12.

# Desorption Characteristics of Cuttings Samples

Meritage KCM #13-31 Brown; NW NE sec. 13-T.22S.-R.21E., Linn County, KS

LITHOLOGIC COMPONENT SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS for calculation of gas content of Croweburg "coal" at 530-532'

$$\text{GAS CONTENT}_{\text{coal}} =$$

$$\frac{\text{total gas desorbed} - ((\text{gas content}_{\text{dark shale}}) * (\text{weight}_{\text{dark shale}}))}{\text{weight}_{\text{coal}}}$$

total gas desorbed = 315 ccs

TOTAL DRY WEIGHT OF SAMPLE = 1043.43 grams

weight<sub>light-colored lithologies</sub> = 67.93 grams (6.5%)

weight<sub>dark shale</sub> = 975.50 grams (93.5%)

weight<sub>coal</sub> = 0.00 grams (0.0%)

sieve size	grams	% coal / % dark shale / % light-colored liths
>0.0930"	596.04	0.00% / 93.62% / 6.38%
>0.0661"	176.86	0.00% / 92.65% / 7.35%
>0.0460"	153.16	0.00% / 94.05% / 5.95%
>0.0331"	72.55	0.00% / 93.37% / 6.63%
<0.0331"	44.82	0.00% / 93.42% / 6.58%
<b>1043.43 TOTAL</b>		

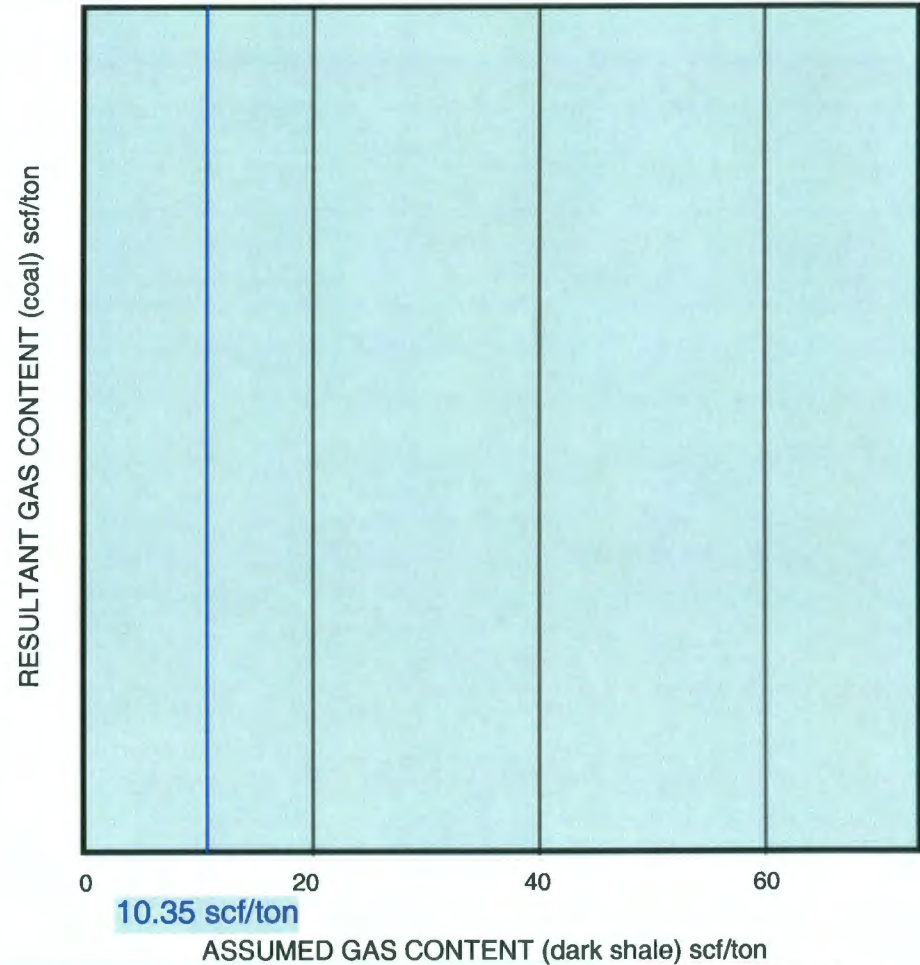


FIGURE 13.



# Desorption Characteristics of Cuttings Samples

Meritage KCM Brown #13-31; NW NE sec. 13-T.22S.-R.21E., Linn County, KS

LITHOLOGIC COMPONENT SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS for calculation of gas content of Tebo coal from 594-596'

$$\text{GAS CONTENT}_{\text{coal}} = \frac{\text{total gas desorbed} - ((\text{gas content}_{\text{dark shale}}) * (\text{weight}_{\text{dark shale}}))}{\text{weight}_{\text{coal}}}$$

total gas desorbed = 137 ccs

TOTAL DRY WEIGHT OF SAMPLE = 362.71 grams

weight<sub>light-colored lithologies</sub> = 6.77 grams (1.9%)

weight<sub>dark shale</sub> = 242.00 grams (66.7%)

weight<sub>coal</sub> = 113.94 grams (31.4%)

sieve size	grams	% coal / % dark shale / % light-colored liths
>0.0930"	238.71	23.14% / 75.57% / 1.29%
>0.0661"	76.39	45.75% / 53.20% / 1.05%
>0.0460"	39.79	49.84% / 44.41% / 5.75%
>0.0331"	5.64	52.94% / 37.91% / 9.15%
<0.0331"	2.18	42.92% / 52.77% / 4.31%
<b>362.71 TOTAL</b>		

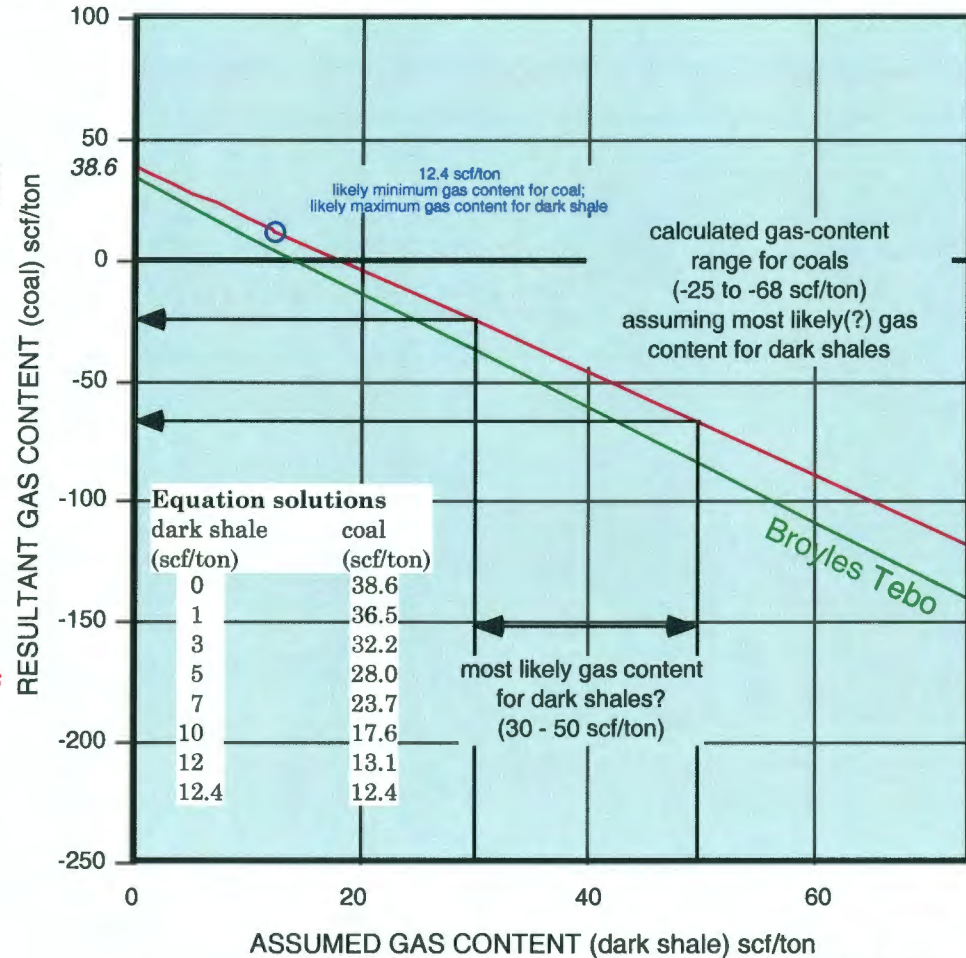


FIGURE 14.

# Desorption Characteristics of Cuttings Samples

Meritage KCM Brown #13-31; NW NE sec. 13-T.22S.-R.21E., Linn County, KS

LITHOLOGIC COMPONENT SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS for calculation of gas content of Weir-Pittsburg coal from 645-647'

$$\text{GAS CONTENT}_{\text{coal}} = \frac{\text{total gas desorbed} - ((\text{gas content}_{\text{dark shale}}) * (\text{weight}_{\text{dark shale}}))}{\text{weight}_{\text{coal}}}$$

total gas desorbed = 167 ccs

TOTAL DRY WEIGHT OF SAMPLE = 336.93 grams

weight<sub>light-colored lithologies</sub> = 16.66 grams (4.9%)

weight<sub>dark shale</sub> = 184.57 grams (54.8%)

weight<sub>coal</sub> = 135.27 grams (40.3%)

sieve size	grams	% coal / % dark shale / % light-colored liths
>0.0930"	228.62	28.71% / 65.26% / 6.03%
>0.0661"	73.42	64.64% / 32.96% / 2.40%
>0.0460"	31.02	65.10% / 32.26% / 2.64%
>0.0331"	2.56	65.15% / 25.76% / 9.09%
<0.0331"	1.32	55.90% / 39.06% / 5.04%
<b>336.93 TOTAL</b>		

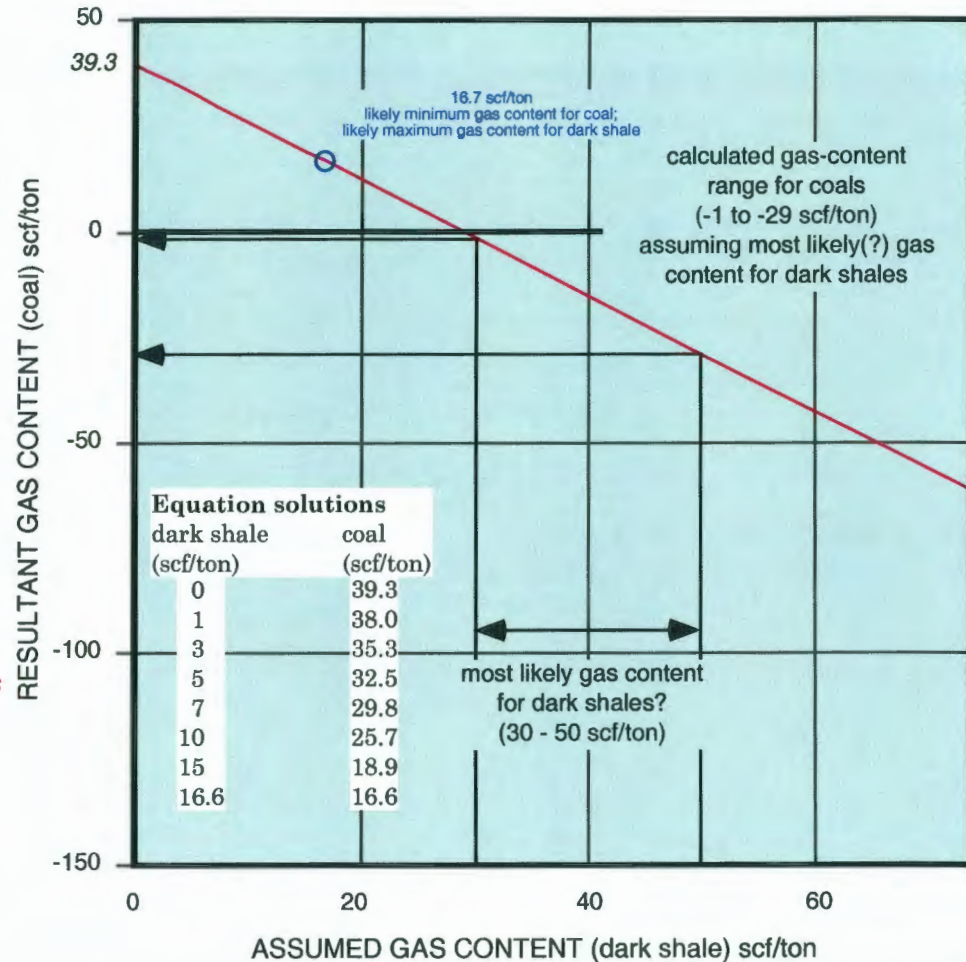


FIGURE 15.



# Desorption Characteristics of Cuttings Samples

Meritage KCM Brown #13-31; NW NE sec. 13-T.22S.-R.21E., Linn County, KS

LITHOLOGIC COMPONENT SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS for calculation of gas content of Riverton coal from 766-769'

$$\text{GAS CONTENT}_{\text{coal}} = \frac{\text{total gas desorbed} - ((\text{gas content}_{\text{dark shale}}) * (\text{weight}_{\text{dark shale}}))}{\text{weight}_{\text{coal}}}$$

total gas desorbed = 1282 ccs

TOTAL DRY WEIGHT OF SAMPLE = 989.79 grams

weight<sub>light-colored lithologies</sub> = 43.91 grams (4.4%)

weight<sub>dark shale</sub> = 300.99 grams (30.4%)

weight<sub>coal</sub> = 644.89 grams (65.2%)

sieve size	grams	% coal / % dark shale / % light-colored liths
>0.0930"	490.62	57.80% / 36.45% / 5.76%
>0.0661"	230.94	71.30% / 25.53% / 3.17%
>0.0460"	178.71	76.20% / 20.32% / 3.48%
>0.0331"	60.28	67.27% / 30.91% / 1.82%
<0.0331"	29.24	68.14% / 28.30% / 3.55%
<b>989.79 TOTAL</b>		

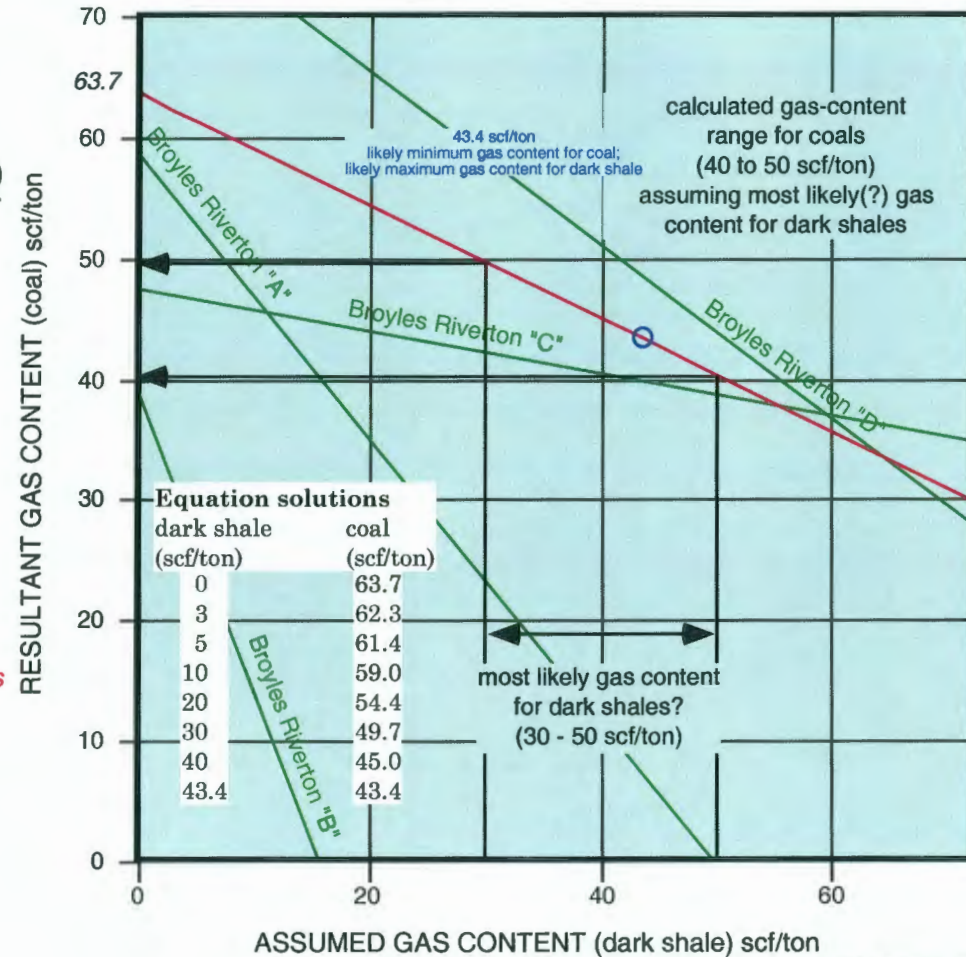


FIGURE 16.

# Desorption Characteristics of Cuttings Samples

## Meritage KCM Brown #13-31; NW NE sec. 13-T.22S.-R.21E., Linn County, KS

LITHOLOGIC COMPONENT SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS for all samples

	UNIT	coal in sample	scf/ton w/ shale @ 3 scf/ton	maximum scf/ton	minimum scf/ton
<u>surface</u>	Mulberry	76%	92.7	93.6	72.2
	Little Osage Sh.	0%	-----	20.2	20.2
	Bevier	73%	38.5	39.6	29.1
<u>100'</u>	Croweburg	0%	-----	10.3	10.3
	Tebo	31%	32.2	38.6	12.4
	Weir-Pittsburg	40%	35.3	39.3	16.7
<u>200'</u>	Riverton	65%	62.3	63.7	43.4

- 300'
- 323'-325' Mulberry
- 400'
- 422'-428' Little Osage Shale
- 500'
- 510'-512' Bevier
- 530'-532' Croweburg
- 594'-596' Tebo
- 645'-647' Weir-Pittsburg
- 700'
- 766'-769' Riverton
- 800'

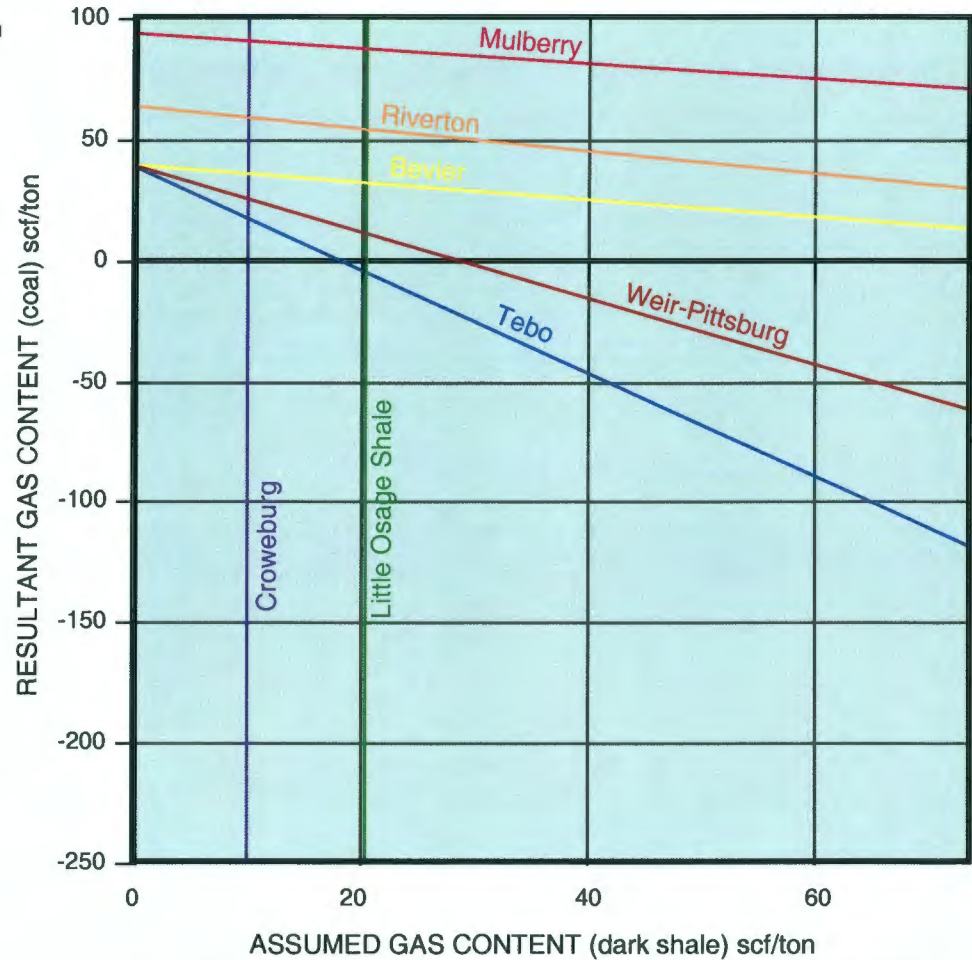


FIGURE 17.



# Desorption Characteristics of Cuttings Samples (ie., coal & dark shale)

Meritage KCM Brown #13-31, NW NE 13-T.22S.-R.21E. Linn County, KS

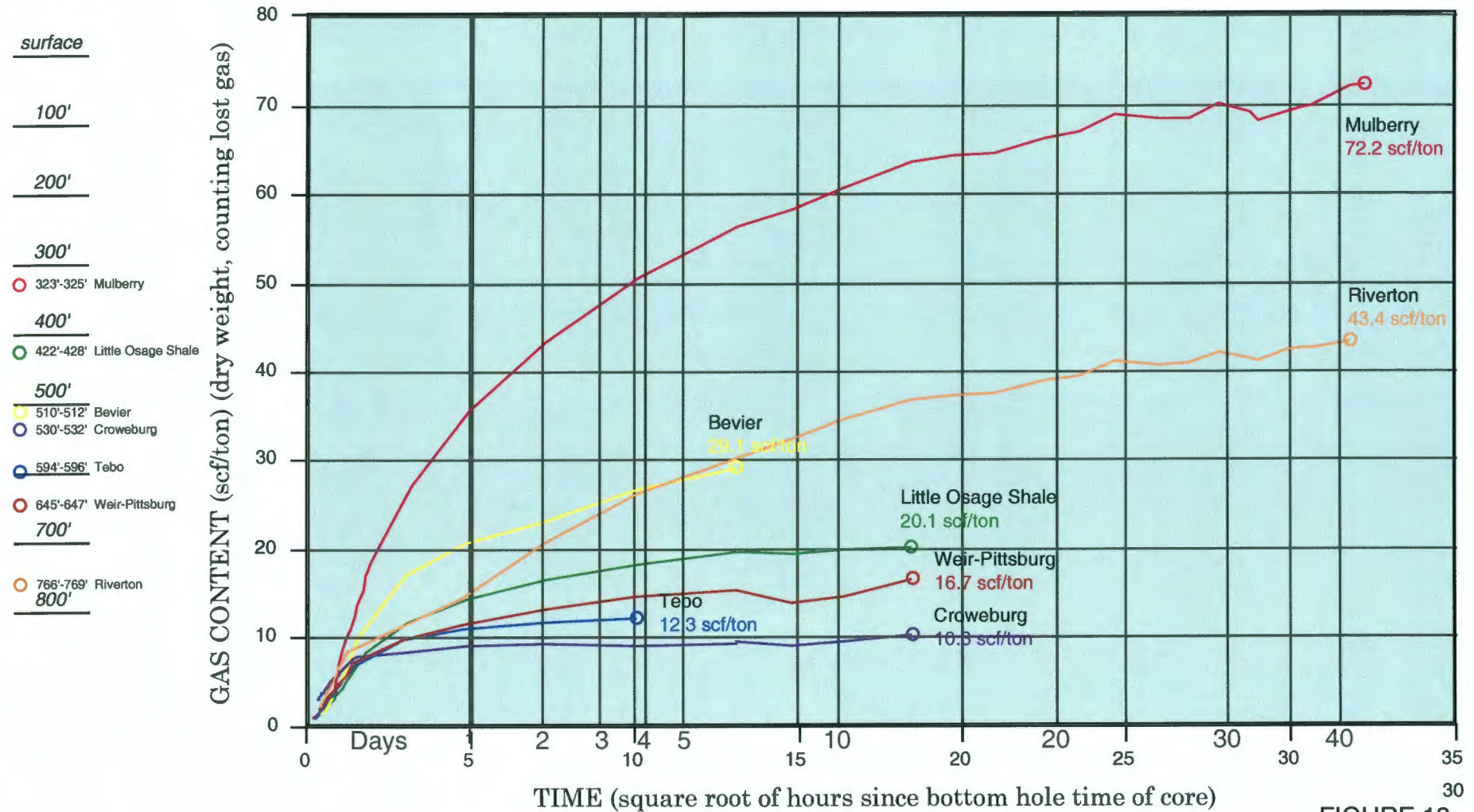


FIGURE 18.