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 Qualified operator deviation notification of resumed oper- ation. 	a. Prior to resuming operation	i. Notification that you are resuming operation.	§ 60.3054(b).

Note: This table is only a summary, see the referenced sections of the rule for the complete requirements.

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Subpart HHHH—Emission Guidelines and Compliance Times for Coal-Fired Electric Steam Generating Units

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HG BUDGET TRADING PROGRAM GENERAL PROVISIONS

§ 60.4101 Purpose.

This subpart establishes the model rule comprising general provisions and the designated representative, permitting, allowance, and monitoring provisions for the State mercury (Hg) Budget Trading Program, under section 111 of the Clean Air Act (CAA) and §60.24(h)(6), as a means of reducing national Hg emissions. The owner or operator of a unit or a source shall comply with the requirements of this subpart as a matter of Federal law only if the State with jurisdiction over the unit and the source incorporates by reference this subpart or otherwise adopts the requirements of this subpart in accordance with §60.24(h)(6), the State submits to the Administrator one or more revisions of the State plan that include such adoption, and the Administrator approves such revisions. If the State adopts the requirements of this subpart in accordance with §60.24(h)(6), then the State authorizes the Administrator to assist the State in implementing the Hg Budget Trading Program by carrying out the functions set forth for the Administrator in this subpart.

§ 60.4102 Definitions.

The terms used in this subpart shall have the meanings set forth in this section as follows:

Account number means the identification number given by the Administrator to each Hg Allowance Tracking System account.

Acid rain emissions limitation means a limitation on emissions of sulfur dioxide or nitrogen oxides under the Acid Rain Program.

Acid Rain Program means a multistate sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides air pollution control and emission reduction program established by the Administrator under title IV of the CAA and parts 72 through 78 of this chapter.

Administrator means the Administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency or the Administrator's duly authorized representative.

Allocate or allocation means the determination by the permitting authority or the Administrator of the amount of Hg allowances to be initially credited to a Hg Budget unit or a new unit setaside under §§ 60.4140 through 60.4142.

Allowance transfer deadline means, for a control period, midnight of March 1, if it is a business day, or, if March 1 is not a business day, midnight of the first business day thereafter immediately following the control period and is the deadline by which a Hg allowance transfer must be submitted for

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recordation in a Hg Budget source's compliance account in order to be used to meet the source's Hg Budget emissions limitation for such control period in accordance with §60.4154.

Alternate Hg designated representative means, for a Hg Budget source and each Hg Budget unit at the source, the natural person who is authorized by the owners and operators of the source and all such units at the source in accordance with §§60.4110 through 60.4114, to act on behalf of the Hg designated representative in matters pertaining to the Hg Budget Trading Program.

Automated data acquisition and handling system or DAHS means that component of the continuous emission monitoring system (CEMS), or other emissions monitoring system approved for use under §§60.4170 though 60.4176, designed to interpret and convert individual output signals from pollutant concentration monitors, flow monitors, diluent gas monitors, and other component parts of the monitoring system to produce a continuous record of the measured parameters in the measurement units required §§60.4170 through 60.4176.

Biomass means—(1) Any organic material grown for the purpose of being converted to energy;

- (2) Any organic byproduct of agriculture that can be converted into energy; or
- (3) Any material that can be converted into energy and is nonmerchantable for other purposes, that is segregated from other nonmerchantable material, and that is:
- (i) A forest-related organic resource, including mill residues, precommercial thinnings, slash, brush, or byproduct from conversion of trees to merchantable material: or
- (ii) A wood material, including pallets, crates, dunnage, manufacturing and construction materials (other than pressure-treated, chemically-treated, or painted wood products), and landscape or right-of-way tree trimmings.

Boiler means an enclosed fossil-or other fuel-fired combustion device used to produce heat and to transfer heat to recirculating water, steam, or other medium.

Bottoming-cycle cogeneration unit means a cogeneration unit in which the

energy input to the unit is first used to produce useful thermal energy and at least some of the reject heat from the useful thermal energy application or process is then used for electricity production.

CAIR NO_X Annual Trading Program means a multi-state nitrogen oxides air pollution control and emission reduction program approved and administered by the Administrator in accordance with subparts AA through II of part 96 of this chapter and $\S51.123$ of this chapter, as a means of mitigating interstate transport of fine particulates and nitrogen oxides.

CAIR NO_X Ozone Season Trading Program means a multi-state nitrogen oxides air pollution control and emission reduction program approved and administered by the Administrator in accordance with subparts AAAA through IIII of part 96 of this chapter and §51.123 of this chapter, as a means of mitigating interstate transport of ozone and nitrogen oxides.

CAIR SO₂ Trading Program means a multi-state sulfur dioxide air pollution control and emission reduction program approved and administered by the Administrator in accordance with subparts AAA through III of part 96 of this chapter and §51.124 of this chapter, as a means of mitigating interstate transport of fine particulates and sulfur dioxide.

Clean Air Act or CAA means the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. 7401, et seq.

Coal means any solid fuel classified as anthracite, bituminous, subbituminous, or lignite by the American Society of Testing and Materials (ASTM) Standard Specification for Classification of Coals by Rank D388-77, 90, 91, 95, 98a, or 99 (Reapproved 2004)^{£1} (incorporated by reference, see §60.17).

Coal-derived fuel means any fuel (whether in a solid, liquid, or gaseous state) produced by the mechanical, thermal, or chemical processing of coal.

Coal-fired means combusting any amount of coal or coal-derived fuel, alone or in combination with any amount of any other fuel, during any year.

Cogeneration unit means a stationary, coal-fired boiler or stationary, coal-fired combustion turbine:

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- (1) Having equipment used to produce electricity and useful thermal energy for industrial, commercial, heating, or cooling purposes through the sequential use of energy; and
- (2) Producing during the 12-month period starting on the date the unit first produces electricity and during any calendar year after which the unit first produces electricity:
- (i) For a topping-cycle cogeneration unit.
- (A) Useful thermal energy not less than 5 percent of total energy output; and
- (B) Useful power that, when added to one-half of useful thermal energy produced, is not less then 42.5 percent of total energy input, if useful thermal energy produced is 15 percent or more of total energy output, or not less than 45 percent of total energy input, if useful thermal energy produced is less than 15 percent of total energy output.
- (ii) For a bottoming-cycle cogeneration unit, useful power not less than 45 percent of total energy input;
- (3) Provided that the total energy input under paragraphs (2)(i)(B) and (2)(ii) of this definition shall equal the unit's total energy input from all fuel except biomass if the unit is a boiler.

Combustion turbine means:

- (1) An enclosed device comprising a compressor, a combustor, and a turbine and in which the flue gas resulting from the combustion of fuel in the combustor passes through the turbine, rotating the turbine; and
- (2) If the enclosed device under paragraph (1) of this definition is combined cycle, any associated heat recovery steam generator and steam turbine.

Commence commercial operation means, with regard to a unit serving a generator:

- (1) To have begun to produce steam, gas, or other heated medium used to generate electricity for sale or use, including test generation, except as provided in §60.4105.
- (i) For a unit that is a Hg Budget unit under §60.4104 on the date the unit commences commercial operation as defined in paragraph (1) of this definition and that subsequently undergoes a physical change (other than replacement of the unit by a unit at the same source), such date shall remain the

unit's date of commencement of commercial operation.

- (ii) For a unit that is a Hg Budget unit under §60.4104 on the date the unit commences commercial operation as defined in paragraph (1) of this definition and that is subsequently replaced by a unit at the same source (e.g., repowered), the replacement unit shall be treated as a separate unit with a separate date for commencement of commercial operation as defined in paragraph (1) or (2) of this definition as appropriate.
- (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1) of this definition and except as provided in §60.4105, for a unit that is not a Hg Budget unit under §60.4104 on the date the unit commences commercial operation as defined in paragraph (1) of this definition, the unit's date for commencement of commercial operation shall be the date on which the unit becomes a Hg Budget unit under §60.4104.
- (i) For a unit with a date for commencement of commercial operation as defined in paragraph (2) of this definition and that subsequently undergoes a physical change (other than replacement of the unit by a unit at the same source), such date shall remain the unit's date of commencement of commercial operation.
- (ii) For a unit with a date for commencement of commercial operation as defined in paragraph (2) of this definition and that is subsequently replaced by a unit at the same source (e.g., repowered), the replacement unit shall be treated as a separate unit with a separate date for commencement of commercial operation as defined in paragraph (1) or (2) of this definition as appropriate.

Commence operation means:

- (1) To have begun any mechanical, chemical, or electronic process, including, with regard to a unit, start-up of a unit's combustion chamber, except as provided in §60.4105.
- (i) For a unit that is a Hg Budget unit under §60.4104 on the date the unit commences operation as defined in paragraph (1) of this definition and that subsequently undergoes a physical change (other than replacement of the unit by a unit at the same source), such date shall remain the unit's date of commencement of operation.

- (ii) For a unit that is a Hg Budget unit under §60.4104 on the date the unit commences operation as defined in paragraph (1) of this definition and that is subsequently replaced by a unit at the same source (e.g., repowered), the replacement unit shall be treated as a separate unit with a separate date for commencement of operation as defined in paragraph (1) or (2) of this definition as appropriate.
- (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1) of this definition and except as provided in §60.4105, for a unit that is not a Hg Budget unit under §60.4104 on the date the unit commences operation as defined in paragraph (1) of this definition, the unit's date for commencement of operation shall be the date on which the unit becomes a Hg Budget unit under §60.4104.
- (i) For a unit with a date for commencement of operation as defined in paragraph (2) of this definition and that subsequently undergoes a physical change (other than replacement of the unit by a unit at the same source), such date shall remain the unit's date of commencement of operation.
- (ii) For a unit with a date for commencement of operation as defined in paragraph (2) of this definition and that is subsequently replaced by a unit at the same source (e.g., repowered), the replacement unit shall be treated as a separate unit with a separate date for commencement of operation as defined in paragraph (1) or (2) of this definition as appropriate.

Common stack means a single flue through which emissions from 2 or more units are exhausted.

Compliance account means a Hg Allowance Tracking System account, established by the Administrator for a Hg Budget source under §§ 60.4150 through 60.4157, in which any Hg allowance allocations for the Hg Budget units at the source are initially recorded and in which are held any Hg allowances available for use for a control period in order to meet the source's Hg Budget emissions limitation in accordance with § 60.4154.

Continuous emission monitoring system or CEMS means the equipment required under §§ 60.4170 through 60.4176 to sample, analyze, measure, and provide, by means of readings recorded at least

- once every 15 minutes (using an automated data acquisition and handling system (DAHS)), a permanent record of Hg emissions, stack gas volumetric flow rate, stack gas moisture content, and oxygen or carbon dioxide concentration (as applicable), in a manner consistent with part 75 of this chapter. The following systems are the principal types of CEMS required under §§ 60.4170 through 60.4176:
- (1) A flow monitoring system, consisting of a stack flow rate monitor and an automated data acquisition and handling system and providing a permanent, continuous record of stack gas volumetric flow rate, in units of standard cubic feet per hour (scfh);
- (2) A Hg concentration monitoring system, consisting of a Hg pollutant concentration monitor and an automated data acquisition and handling system and providing a permanent, continuous record of Hg emissions in units of micrograms per dry standard cubic meter (µgm/dscm);
- (3) A moisture monitoring system, as defined in $\S75.11(b)(2)$ of this chapter and providing a permanent, continuous record of the stack gas moisture content, in percent H_2O .
- (4) A carbon dioxide monitoring system, consisting of a CO_2 concentration monitor (or an oxygen monitor plus suitable mathematical equations from which the CO_2 concentration is derived) and an automated data acquisition and handling system and providing a permanent, continuous record of CO_2 emissions, in percent CO_2 ; and
- (5) An oxygen monitoring system, consisting of an O_2 concentration monitor and an automated data acquisition and handling system and providing a permanent, continuous record of O_2 , in percent O_2 .

Control period means the period beginning January 1 of a calendar year and ending on December 31 of the same year, inclusive.

Emissions means air pollutants exhausted from a unit or source into the atmosphere, as measured, recorded, and reported to the Administrator by the Hg designated representative and as determined by the Administrator in accordance with §§60.4170 through 60.4176.

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Excess emissions means any ounce of mercury emitted by the Hg Budget units at a Hg Budget source during a control period that exceeds the Hg Budget emissions limitation for the source.

General account means a Hg Allowance Tracking System account, established under §60.4151, that is not a compliance account.

Generator means a device that produces electricity.

Gross electrical output means, with regard to a cogeneration unit, electricity made available for use, including any such electricity used in the power production process (which process includes, but is not limited to, any onsite processing or treatment of fuel combusted at the unit and any on-site emission controls).

Heat input means, with regard to a specified period of time, the product (in MMBtu/time) of the gross calorific value of the fuel (in Btu/lb) divided by 1,000,000 Btu/MMBtu and multiplied by the fuel feed rate into a combustion device (in lb of fuel/time), as measured, recorded, and reported to the Administrator by the Hg designated representative and determined by the Administrator in accordance with §§60.4170 through 60.4176 and excluding the heat derived from preheated combustion air, recirculated flue gases, or exhaust from other sources.

Heat input rate means the amount of heat input (in MMBtu) divided by unit operating time (in hr) or, with regard to a specific fuel, the amount of heat input attributed to the fuel (in MMBtu) divided by the unit operating time (in hr) during which the unit combusts the fuel.

Hg allowance means a limited authorization issued by the permitting authority or the Administrator under §§ 60.4140 through 60.4142 to emit one ounce of mercury during a control period of the specified calendar year for which the authorization is allocated or of any calendar year thereafter under the Hg Budget Trading Program. An authorization to emit mercury that is not issued under the provisions of a State plan that adopt the requirements of this subpart and are approved by the Administrator in accordance with

\$60.24(h)(6) shall not be a "Hg allowance."

Hg allowance deduction or deduct Hg allowances means the permanent withdrawal of Hg allowances by the Administrator from a compliance account in order to account for a specified number of ounces of total mercury emissions from all Hg Budget units at a Hg Budget source for a control period, determined in accordance with §§60.4150 though 60.4157 and §§60.4170 through 60.4176, or to account for excess emissions

Hg allowances held or hold Hg allowances means the Hg allowances recorded by the Administrator, or submitted to the Administrator for recordation, in accordance with §§60.4150 through 60.4162, in a Hg Allowance Tracking System account.

Hg Allowance Tracking System means the system by which the Administrator records allocations, deductions, and transfers of Hg allowances under the Hg Budget Trading Program. Such allowances will be allocated, held, deducted, or transferred only as whole allowances.

Hg Allowance Tracking System account means an account in the Hg Allowance Tracking System established by the Administrator for purposes of recording the allocation, holding, transferring, or deducting of Hg allowances.

Hg authorized account representative means, with regard to a general account, a responsible natural person who is authorized, in accordance with §60.4152, to transfer and otherwise dispose of Hg allowances held in the general account and, with regard to a compliance account, the Hg designated representative of the source.

Hg Budget emissions limitation means, for a Hg Budget source, the equivalent in ounces of the Hg allowances available for deduction for the source under §60.4154(a) and (b) for a control period.

Hg Budget permit means the legally binding and Federally enforceable written document, or portion of such document, issued by the permitting authority under §§ 60.4120 through 60.4124, including any permit revisions, specifying the Hg Budget Trading Program requirements applicable to a Hg Budget source, to each Hg Budget unit at the

source, and to the owners and operators and the Hg designated representative of the source and each such unit.

Hg Budget source means a source that includes one or more Hg Budget units.

Hg Budget Trading Program means a multi-state Hg air pollution control and emission reduction program approved and administered by the Administrator in accordance with this subpart and §60.24(h)(6), as a means of reducing national Hg emissions.

Hg Budget unit means a unit that is subject to the Hg Budget Trading Program under § 60.4104.

Hg designated representative means, for a Hg Budget source and each Hg Budget unit at the source, the natural person who is authorized by the owners and operators of the source and all such units at the source, in accordance with §§ 60.4110 through 60.4114, to represent and legally bind each owner and operator in matters pertaining to the Hg Budget Trading Program.

Life-of-the-unit, firm power contractual arrangement means a unit participation power sales agreement under which a utility or industrial customer reserves, or is entitled to receive, a specified amount or percentage of nameplate capacity and associated energy generated by any specified unit and pays its proportional amount of such unit's total costs, pursuant to a contract:

- (1) For the life of the unit;
- (2) For a cumulative term of no less than 30 years, including contracts that permit an election for early termination; or
- (3) For a period no less than 25 years or 70 percent of the economic useful life of the unit determined as of the time the unit is built, with option rights to purchase or release some portion of the nameplate capacity and associated energy generated by the unit at the end of the period.

Lignite means coal that is classified as lignite A or B according to the American Society of Testing and Materials (ASTM) Standard Specification for Classification of Coals by Rank D388–77, 90, 91, 95, 98a, or 99 (Reapproved 2004)²¹ (incorporated by reference, see § 60.17).

Maximum design heat input means, starting from the initial installation of a unit, the maximum amount of fuel

per hour (in Btu/hr) that a unit is capable of combusting on a steady-state basis as specified by the manufacturer of the unit, or, starting from the completion of any subsequent physical change in the unit resulting in a decrease in the maximum amount of fuel per hour (in Btu/hr) that a unit is capable of combusting on a steady-state basis, such decreased maximum amount as specified by the person conducting the physical change.

Monitoring system means any monitoring system that meets the requirements of §§60.4170 through 60.4176, including a continuous emissions monitoring system, an alternative monitoring system, or an excepted monitoring system under part 75 of this chapter.

Nameplate capacity means, starting from the initial installation of a generator, the maximum electrical generating output (in MWe) that the generator is capable of producing on a steady-state basis and during continuous operation (when not restricted by seasonal or other deratings) as specified by the manufacturer of the generator or, starting from the completion of any subsequent physical change in the generator resulting in an increase in the maximum electrical generating output (in MWe) that the generator is capable of producing on a steady-state basis and during continuous operation (when not restricted by seasonal or other deratings), such increased maximum amount as specified by the person conducting the physical change.

Operator means any person who operates, controls, or supervises a Hg Budget unit or a Hg Budget source and shall include, but not be limited to, any holding company, utility system, or plant manager of such a unit or source.

Ounce means 2.84×10^7 micrograms. For the purpose of determining compliance with the Hg Budget emissions limitation, total ounces of mercury emissions for a control period shall be calculated as the sum of all recorded hourly emissions (or the mass equivalent of the recorded hourly emission rates) in accordance with §§60.4170 through 60.4176, but with any remaining fraction of an ounce equal to or greater than 0.50 ounces deemed to equal one ounce and any remaining

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fraction of an ounce less than 0.50 ounces deemed to equal zero ounces.

Owner means any of the following persons:

- (1) With regard to a Hg Budget source or a Hg Budget unit at a source, respectively:
- (i) Any holder of any portion of the legal or equitable title in a Hg Budget unit at the source or the Hg Budget unit:
- (ii) Any holder of a leasehold interest in a Hg Budget unit at the source or the Hg Budget unit; or
- (iii) Any purchaser of power from a Hg Budget unit at the source or the Hg Budget unit under a life-of-the-unit, firm power contractual arrangement; provided that, unless expressly provided for in a leasehold agreement, owner shall not include a passive lessor, or a person who has an equitable interest through such lessor, whose rental payments are not based (either directly or indirectly) on the revenues or income from such Hg Budget unit; or
- (2) With regard to any general account, any person who has an ownership interest with respect to the Hg allowances held in the general account and who is subject to the binding agreement for the Hg authorized account representative to represent the person's ownership interest with respect to Hg allowances.

Permitting authority means the State air pollution control agency, local agency, other State agency, or other agency authorized by the Administrator to issue or revise permits to meet the requirements of the Hg Budget Trading Program in accordance with agency has been so authorized, the Administrator.

Potential electrical output capacity means 33 percent of a unit's maximum design heat input, divided by 3,413 Btu/kWh, divided by 1,000 kWh/MWh, and multiplied by 8,760 hr/yr.

Receive or receipt of means, when referring to the permitting authority or the Administrator, to come into possession of a document, information, or correspondence (whether sent in hard copy or by authorized electronic transmission), as indicated in an official correspondence log, or by a notation

made on the document, information, or correspondence, by the permitting authority or the Administrator in the regular course of business.

Recordation, record, or recorded means, with regard to Hg allowances, the movement of Hg allowances by the Administrator into or between Hg Allowance Tracking System accounts, for purposes of allocation, transfer, or deduction.

Reference method means any direct test method of sampling and analyzing for an air pollutant as specified in §75.22 of this chapter.

Repowered means, with regard to a unit, replacement of a coal-fired boiler with one of the following coal-fired technologies at the same source as the coal-fired boiler:

- (1) Atmospheric or pressurized fluidized bed combustion;
- (2) Integrated gasification combined cycle;
 - (3) Magnetohydrodynamics;
- (4) Direct and indirect coal-fired turbines:
- (5) Integrated gasification fuel cells; or
- (6) As determined by the Administrator in consultation with the Secretary of Energy, a derivative of one or more of the technologies under paragraphs (1) through (5) of this definition and any other coal-fired technology capable of controlling multiple combustion emissions simultaneously with improved boiler or generation efficiency and with significantly greater waste reduction relative to the performance of technology in widespread commercial use as of January 1, 2005.

Serial number means, for a Hg allowance, the unique identification number assigned to each Hg allowance by the Administrator.

Sequential use of energy means:

- (1) For a topping-cycle cogeneration unit, the use of reject heat from electricity production in a useful thermal energy application or process; or
- (2) For a bottoming-cycle cogeneration unit, the use of reject heat from useful thermal energy application or process in electricity production.

Source means all buildings, structures, or installations located in one or more contiguous or adjacent properties

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under common control of the same person or persons. For purposes of section 502(c) of the CAA, a "source," including a "source" with multiple units, shall be considered a single "facility."

State means:

- (1) For purposes of referring to a governing entity, one of the States in the United States, the District of Columbia, or, if approved for treatment as a State under part 49 of this chapter, the Navajo Nation or Ute Indian Tribe that adopts the Hg Budget Trading Program pursuant to §60.24(h)(6); or
- (2) For purposes of referring to geographic areas, one of the States in the United States, the District of Columbia, the Navajo Nation Indian country, or the Ute Tribe Indian country.

Subbituminous means coal that is classified as subbituminous A, B, or C, according to the American Society of Testing and Materials (ASTM) Standard Specification for Classification of Coals by Rank D388–77, 90, 91, 95, 98a, or 99 (Reapproved 2004)e1 (incorporated by reference, see § 60.17).

Submit or serve means to send or transmit a document, information, or correspondence to the person specified in accordance with the applicable regulation:

- (1) In person;
- (2) By United States Postal Service; or
- (3) By other means of dispatch or transmission and delivery. Compliance with any "submission" or "service" deadline shall be determined by the date of dispatch, transmission, or mailing and not the date of receipt.

Title V operating permit means a permit issued under title V of the CAA and part 70 or part 71 of this chapter.

Title V operating permit regulations means the regulations that the Administrator has approved or issued as meeting the requirements of title V of the CAA and part 70 or 71 of this chapter.

Topping-cycle cogeneration unit means a cogeneration unit in which the energy input to the unit is first used to produce useful power, including electricity, and at least some of the reject heat from the electricity production is then used to provide useful thermal energy.

Total energy input means, with regard to a cogeneration unit, total energy of all forms supplied to the cogeneration unit, excluding energy produced by the cogeneration unit itself. Each form of energy supplied shall be measured by the lower heating value of that form of energy calculated as follows:

LHV = HHV - 10.55(W + 9H)

Where

LHV = lower heating value of fuel in Btu/lb, HHV = higher heating value of fuel in Btu/lb, W = Weight % of moisture in fuel, and H = Weight % of hydrogen in fuel.

Total energy output means, with regard to a cogeneration unit, the sum of useful power and useful thermal energy produced by the cogeneration unit.

Unit means a stationary coal-fired boiler or a stationary coal-fired combustion turbine.

Unit operating day means a calendar day in which a unit combusts any fuel.

Unit operating hour or hour of unit operation means an hour in which a unit combusts any fuel.

Useful power means, with regard to a cogeneration unit, electricity or mechanical energy made available for use, excluding any such energy used in the power production process (which process includes, but is not limited to, any on-site processing or treatment of fuel combusted at the unit and any on-site emission controls).

Useful thermal energy means, with regard to a cogeneration unit, thermal energy that is:

- (1) Made available to an industrial or commercial process (not a power production process), excluding any heat contained in condensate return or makeup water:
- (2) Used in a heat application (e.g., space heating or domestic hot water heating); or
- (3) Used in a space cooling application (*i.e.*, thermal energy used by an absorption chiller).

Utility power distribution system means the portion of an electricity grid owned or operated by a utility and dedicated to delivering electricity to customers.

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