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through 10, to each operational bin. Examples of conditions and parameters that may be used to define operational bins include unit heat input, type of fuel combusted, specific stages of an industrial process, or (for common stacks), the particular combination of units that are in operation.

3.2.2 In the electronic quarterly report required under §75.64, indicate for each hour of unit operation the operational bin associated with the $NO_X$ or flow rate data, by recording the number assigned to the bin under section 3.2.1 of this appendix.

3.2.3 The data acquisition and handling system must be capable of properly identifying and recording the operational bin number for each unit operating hour. The DAHS must also be capable of calculating and recording the following information (as applicable) for each unit operating hour of missing flow or $NO_X$ data within each identified operational bin during the shorter of:

(a) The previous 2,160 quality-assured monitor operating hours (on a rolling basis), or

(b) All previous quality-assured monitor operating hours in the previous 3 years:

3.2.3.1 Average of the hourly flow rates reported by a flow monitor (scfh).

3.2.3.2 The 90th percentile value of hourly flow rates (scfh).

3.2.3.3 The 95th percentile value of hourly flow rates (scfh).

3.2.3.4 The maximum value of hourly flow rates (scfh).

3.2.3.5 Average of the hourly $NO_X$ emission rates, in lb/mmBtu, reported by a $NO_X$-diluent continuous emission monitoring system.

3.2.3.6 The 90th percentile value of hourly $NO_X$ emission rates (lb/mmBtu).

3.2.3.7 The 95th percentile value of hourly $NO_X$ emission rates (lb/mmBtu).

3.2.3.8 The maximum value of hourly $NO_X$ emission rates, in (lb/mmBtu).

3.2.3.9 Average of the hourly $NO_X$ pollutant concentrations (ppm), reported by a $NO_X$ concentration monitoring system used to determine $NO_X$ mass emissions, as defined in §75.71(a)(2).

3.2.3.10 The 90th percentile value of hourly $NO_X$ pollutant concentration (ppm).

3.2.3.11 The 95th percentile value of hourly $NO_X$ pollutant concentration (ppm).

3.2.3.12 The maximum value of hourly $NO_X$ pollutant concentration (ppm).

3.2.4 When a bias adjustment is necessary for the flow monitor and/or the $NO_X$-diluent continuous emission monitoring system (and/or the $NO_X$ concentration monitoring system), apply the bias adjustment factor to all data values placed in the operational bins.

3.2.5 Calculate all CEMS data averages, maximum values, and percentile values determined by this procedure using bias-adjusted values.

3.2.6 Use the calculated monitor or monitoring system data averages, maximum values, and percentile values to substitute for missing flow rate and $NO_X$ emission rate data (and where applicable, $NO_X$ concentration data) according to the procedures in subpart D of this part.

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## Appendix D to Part 75—Optional $SO_2$ Emissions Data Protocol for Gas-Fired and Oil-Fired Units

### 1. Applicability

1.1 This protocol may be used in lieu of continuous $SO_2$ pollutant concentration and flow monitors for the purpose of determining hourly $SO_2$ mass emissions and heat input from: gas-fired units, as defined in §72.2 of this chapter, or oil-fired units, as defined in §72.2 of this chapter. Section 2.1 of this appendix provides procedures for measuring oil or gaseous fuel flow using a fuel flowmeter, section 2.2 of this appendix provides procedures for conducting oil sampling and analysis to determine sulfur content and gross calorific value (GCV) of fuel oil, and section 2.3 of this appendix provides procedures for determining the sulfur content and GCV of gaseous fuels.

1.2 Pursuant to the procedures in §75.20, complete all testing requirements to certify use of this protocol in lieu of a flow monitor and an $SO_2$ continuous emission monitoring system. Complete all testing requirements no later than the applicable deadline specified in §75.4. Apply to the Administrator for initial certification to use this protocol no later than 45 days after the completion of all certification tests.

### 2. Procedure

#### *2.1 Fuel Flowmeter Measurements*

For each hour when the unit is combusting fuel, measure and record the flow rate of fuel combusted by the unit, except as provided in section 2.1.4 of this appendix. Measure the flow rate of fuel with an in-line fuel flowmeter, and automatically record the data with a data acquisition and handling system, except as provided in section 2.1.4 of this appendix.

2.1.1 Measure the flow rate of each fuel entering and being combusted by the unit. If, on an annual basis, more than 5.0 percent of the fuel from the main pipe is diverted from the unit without being burned and that diversion occurs downstream of the fuel flowmeter, an additional in-line fuel flowmeter is required to account for the unburned fuel. In this case, record the flow rate of each fuel

combusted by the unit as the difference between the flow measured in the pipe leading to the unit and the flow in the pipe diverting fuel away from the unit. However, the additional fuel flowmeter is not required if, on an annual basis, the total amount of fuel diverted away from the unit, expressed as a percentage of the total annual fuel usage by the unit is demonstrated to be less than or equal to 5.0 percent. The owner or operator may make this demonstration in the following manner:

2.1.1.1 For existing units with fuel usage data from fuel flowmeters, if data are submitted from a previous year demonstrating that the total diverted yearly fuel does not exceed 5% of the total fuel used; or

2.1.1.2 For new units which do not have historical data, if a letter is submitted signed by the designated representative certifying that, in the future, the diverted fuel will not exceed 5.0% of the total annual fuel usage; or

2.1.1.3 By using a method approved by the Administrator under § 75.66(d).

2.1.2 Install and use fuel flowmeters meeting the requirements of this appendix in a pipe going to each unit, or install and use a fuel flowmeter in a common pipe header (as defined in § 72.2). However, the use of a fuel flowmeter in a common pipe header and the provisions of sections 2.1.2.1 and 2.1.2.2 of this appendix shall not apply to any unit that is using the provisions of subpart H of this part to monitor, record, and report $NO_X$ mass emissions under a State or federal $NO_X$ mass emission reduction program, unless both of the following are true: all of the units served by the common pipe are affected units, and all of the units have similar efficiencies. When a fuel flowmeter is installed in a common pipe header, proceed as follows:

2.1.2.1 Measure the fuel flow rate in the common pipe, and combine $SO_2$ mass emissions (Acid Rain Program units only) for the affected units for recordkeeping and compliance purposes; and

2.1.2.2 Apportion the heat input rate measured at the common pipe to the individual units, using Equation F–21a, F–21b, or F–21d in appendix F to this part.

2.1.3 For a gas-fired unit or an oil-fired unit that continuously or frequently combusts a supplemental fuel for flame stabilization or safety purposes, measure the flow rate of the supplemental fuel with a fuel flowmeter meeting the requirements of this appendix.

### 2.1.4 Situations in Which Certified Flowmeter is Not Required

#### 2.1.4.1 Start-up or Ignition Fuel

For an oil-fired unit that uses gas solely for start-up or burner ignition, a gas-fired unit that uses oil solely for start-up or burner ignition, or an oil-fired unit that uses a different grade of oil solely for start-up or burner ignition, a fuel flowmeter for the start-up fuel is permitted but not required. Estimate the volume of oil combusted for each start-up or ignition either by using a fuel flowmeter or by using the dimensions of the storage container and measuring the depth of the fuel in the storage container before and after each start-up or ignition. A fuel flowmeter used solely for start-up or ignition fuel is not subject to the calibration requirements of sections 2.1.5 and 2.1.6 of this appendix. Gas combusted solely for start-up or burner ignition does not need to be measured separately.

#### 2.1.4.2 Gas or Oil Flowmeter Used for Commercial Billing

A gas or oil flowmeter used for commercial billing of natural gas or oil may be used to measure, record, and report hourly fuel flow rate. A gas or oil flowmeter used for commercial billing of natural gas or oil is not required to meet the certification requirements of section 2.1.5 of this appendix or the quality assurance requirements of section 2.1.6 of this appendix under the following circumstances:

(a) The gas or oil flowmeter is used for commercial billing under a contract, provided that the company providing the gas or oil under the contract and each unit combusting the gas or oil do not have any common owners and are not owned by subsidiaries or affiliates of the same company;

(b) The designated representative reports hourly records of gas or oil flow rate, heat input rate, and emissions due to combustion of natural gas or oil;

(c) The designated representative also reports hourly records of heat input rate for each unit, if the gas or oil flowmeter is on a common pipe header, consistent with section 2.1.2 of this appendix;

(d) The designated representative reports hourly records directly from the gas or oil flowmeter used for commercial billing if these records are the values used, without adjustment, for commercial billing, or reports hourly records using the missing data procedures of section 2.4 of this appendix if these records are not the values used, without adjustment, for commercial billing; and

(e) The designated representative identifies the gas or oil flowmeter in the unit's monitoring plan.

#### 2.1.4.3 Emergency Fuel

The designated representative of a unit that is restricted by its Federal, State or local permit to combusting a particular fuel only during emergencies where the primary fuel is not available is exempt from certifying a fuel flowmeter for use during combustion of the emergency fuel. During any

hour in which the emergency fuel is combusted, report the hourly heat input to be the maximum rated heat input of the unit for the fuel. Use the maximum potential sulfur content for the fuel (from Table D–6 of this appendix) and the fuel flow rate corresponding to the maximum hourly heat input to calculate the hourly $SO_2$ mass emission rate, using Equations D–2 through D–4 (as applicable). Alternatively, if a certified fuel flowmeter is available for the emergency fuel, you may use the measured hourly fuel flow rates in the calculations. Also, if daily samples or weekly composite samples (fuel oil, only) of the fuel's total sulfur content, GCV, and (if applicable) density are taken during the combustion of the emergency fuel, as described in section 2.2 or 2.3 of this appendix, the sample results may be used to calculate the hourly $SO_2$ emissions and heat input rates, in lieu of using maximum potential values. The designated representative shall also provide notice under §75.61(a)(6) for each period when the emergency fuel is combusted.

2.1.5 Initial Certification Requirement for all Fuel Flowmeters

For the purposes of initial certification, each fuel flowmeter used to meet the requirements of this protocol shall meet a flowmeter accuracy of 2.0 percent of the upper range value (i.e. maximum fuel flow rate measurable by the flowmeter) across the range of fuel flow rate to be measured at the unit. Flowmeter accuracy may be determined under section 2.1.5.1 of this appendix for initial certification in any of the following ways (as applicable): by design (orifice, nozzle, and venturi-type flowmeters, only) or by measurement under laboratory conditions; by the manufacturer; by an independent laboratory; or by the owner or operator. Flowmeter accuracy may also be determined under section 2.1.5.2 of this appendix by in-line comparison against a reference flowmeter.

2.1.5.1 Use the procedures in the following standards to verify flowmeter accuracy or design, as appropriate to the type of flowmeter: ASME MFC–3M–2004, Measurement of Fluid Flow in Pipes Using Orifice, Nozzle, and Venturi; ASME MFC–4M–1986 (Reaffirmed 1997), Measurement of Gas Flow by Turbine Meters; American Gas Association Report No. 3, Orifice Metering of Natural Gas and Other Related Hydrocarbon Fluids Part 1: General Equations and Uncertainty Guidelines (October 1990 Edition), Part 2: Specification and Installation Requirements (February 1991 Edition), and Part 3: Natural Gas Applications (August 1992 edition) (excluding the modified flow-calculation method in part 3); Section 8, Calibration from American Gas Association Transmission Measurement Committee Report No. 7: Measurement of Gas by Turbine Meters (Second Revision, April 1996); ASME–MFC–5M–1985 (Reaffirmed 1994), Measurement of Liquid Flow in Closed Conduits Using Transit-Time Ultrasonic Flowmeters; ASME MFC–6M–1998, Measurement of Fluid Flow in Pipes Using Vortex Flowmeters; ASME MFC–7M–1987 (Reaffirmed 1992), Measurement of Gas Flow by Means of Critical Flow Venturi Nozzles; ISO 8316: 1987(E) Measurement of Liquid Flow in Closed Conduits—Method by Collection of the Liquid in a Volumetric Tank; American Petroleum Institute (API) Manual of Petroleum Measurement Standards, Chapter 4—Proving Systems, Section 2—Pipe Provers (Provers Accumulating at Least 10,000 Pulses), Second Edition, March 2001, Section 3—Small Volume Provers, First Edition, July 1988, Reaffirmed October 1993, and Section 5—Master-Meter Provers, Second Edition, May 2000; American Petroleum Institute (API) Manual of Petroleum Measurement Standards, Chapter 22—Testing Protocol, Section 2—Differential Pressure Flow Measurement Devices, First Edition, August 2005; or ASME MFC–9M–1988 (Reaffirmed 2001), Measurement of Liquid Flow in Closed Conduits by Weighing Method, for all other flowmeter types (all incorporated by reference under §75.6 of this part). The Administrator may also approve other procedures that use equipment traceable to National Institute of Standards and Technology standards. Document such procedures, the equipment used, and the accuracy of the procedures in the monitoring plan for the unit, and submit a petition signed by the designated representative under §75.66(c). If the flowmeter accuracy exceeds 2.0 percent of the upper range value, the flowmeter does not qualify for use under this part.

2.1.5.2 (a) Alternatively, determine the flowmeter accuracy of a fuel flowmeter used for the purposes of this part by comparing it to the measured flow from a reference flowmeter which has been either designed according to the specifications of American Gas Association Report No. 3 or ASME MFC–3M–1989, as cited in section 2.1.5.1 of this appendix, or tested for accuracy during the previous 365 days, using a standard listed in section 2.1.5.1 of this appendix or other procedure approved by the Administrator under §75.66 (all standards incorporated by reference under §75.6). Any secondary elements, such as pressure and temperature transmitters, must be calibrated immediately prior to the comparison. Perform the comparison over a period of no more than seven consecutive unit operating days. Compare the average of three fuel flow rate readings over 20 minutes or longer for each meter at each of three different flow rate levels. The three flow rate levels shall correspond to:

(1) Normal full unit operating load,

(2) Normal minimum unit operating load,

(3) A load point approximately equally spaced between the full and minimum unit operating loads, and

(b) Calculate the flowmeter accuracy at each of the three flow levels using the following equation:

$$ACC = \frac{|R - A|}{URV} \times 100 \qquad \text{(Eq. D-1)}$$

Where:

ACC=Flowmeter accuracy at a particular load level, as a percentage of the upper range value.

R=Average of the three flow measurements of the reference flowmeter.

A=Average of the three measurements of the flowmeter being tested.

URV=Upper range value of fuel flowmeter being tested (i.e. maximum measurable flow).

(c) Notwithstanding the requirement for calibration of the reference flowmeter within 365 days prior to an accuracy test, when an in-place reference meter or prover is used for quality assurance under section 2.1.6 of this appendix, the reference meter calibration requirement may be waived if, during the previous in-place accuracy test with that reference meter, the reference flowmeter and the flowmeter being tested agreed to within ±1.0 percent of each other at all levels tested. This exception to calibration and flowmeter accuracy testing requirements for the reference flowmeter shall apply for periods of no longer than five consecutive years (i.e., 20 consecutive calendar quarters).

2.1.5.3 If the flowmeter accuracy exceeds the specification in section 2.1.5 of this appendix, the flowmeter does not qualify for use for this appendix. Either recalibrate the flowmeter until the flowmeter accuracy is within the performance specification, or replace the flowmeter with another one that is demonstrated to meet the performance specification. Substitute for fuel flow rate using the missing data procedures in section 2.4.2 of this appendix until quality-assured fuel flow data become available.

2.1.5.4 For purposes of initial certification, when a flowmeter is tested against a reference fuel flow rate (i.e., fuel flow rate from another fuel flowmeter under section 2.1.5.2 of this appendix or flow rate from a procedure performed according to a standard incorporated by reference under section 2.1.5.1 of this appendix), report the results of flowmeter accuracy tests in a manner consistent with Table D–1.

TABLE D–1—TABLE OF FLOWMETER ACCURACY RESULTS

Test number:_____ Test completion date [1]:_____ Test completion time [1]:_____
Reinstallation date [2] (for testing under 2.1.5.1 only):_____ Reinstallation time [2]:_____
Unit or pipe ID: Component/System ID:
Flowmeter serial number: Upper range value:
Units of measure for flowmeter and reference flow readings:

| Measurement level (percent of URV) | Run No. | Time of run (HHMM) | Candidate flowmeter reading | Reference flow reading | Percent accuracy (percent of URV) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Low (Minimum) level | 1 | | | | |
| ____ percent [3] of URV | 2 | | | | |
| | 3 | | | | |
| | Average | | | | |
| Mid-level | 1 | | | | |
| ____ percent [3] of URV | 2 | | | | |
| | 3 | | | | |
| | Average | | | | |
| High (Maximum) level | 1 | | | | |
| ____ percent [3] of URV | 2 | | | | |
| | 3 | | | | |
| | Average | | | | |

[1] Report the date, hour, and minute that all test runs were completed.
[2] For laboratory tests not performed inline, report the date and hour that the fuel flowmeter was reinstalled following the test.
[3] It is required to test at least at three different levels: (1) normal full unit operating load, (2) normal minimum unit operating load, and (3) a load point approximately equally spaced between the full and minimum unit operating loads.

2.1.6 Quality Assurance

(a) Test the accuracy of each fuel flowmeter prior to use under this part and at least once every four fuel flowmeter QA operating quarters, as defined in §72.2 of this chapter, thereafter. Notwithstanding these requirements, no more than 20 successive calendar quarters shall elapse after the quarter in which a fuel flowmeter was last tested for accuracy without a subsequent flowmeter accuracy test having been conducted. Test

the flowmeter accuracy more frequently if required by manufacturer specifications.

(b) Except for orifice-, nozzle-, and venturi-type flowmeters, perform the required flowmeter accuracy testing using the procedures in either section 2.1.5.1 or section 2.1.5.2 of this appendix. Each fuel flowmeter must meet the accuracy specification in section 2.1.5 of this appendix.

(c) For orifice-, nozzle-, and venturi-type flowmeters, either perform the required flowmeter accuracy testing using the procedures in section 2.1.5.2 of this appendix or perform a transmitter accuracy test for the initial certification and once every four fuel flowmeter QA operating quarters thereafter. Perform a primary element visual inspection for the initial certification and once every 12 calendar quarters thereafter, according to the procedures in sections 2.1.6.1 through 2.1.6.4 of this appendix for periodic quality assurance.

(d) Notwithstanding the requirements of this section, if the procedures of section 2.1.7 (fuel flow-to-load test) of this appendix are performed during each fuel flowmeter QA operating quarter, subsequent to a required flowmeter accuracy test or (if applicable) transmitter accuracy test and primary element inspection, those procedures may be used to meet the requirement for periodic quality assurance testing for a period of up to 20 calendar quarters from the previous accuracy test or (if applicable) transmitter accuracy test and primary element inspection.

(e) When accuracy testing of the orifice, nozzle, or venturi meter is performed according to section 2.1.5.2 of this appendix, record the information displayed in Table D–1 in this section. At a minimum, record the overall accuracy results for the fuel flowmeter at the three flow rate levels specified in section 2.1.5.2 of this appendix.

(f) Report the results of all fuel flowmeter accuracy tests, transmitter or transducer accuracy tests, and primary element inspections, as applicable, in the emissions report for the quarter in which the quality assurance tests are performed, using the electronic format specified by the Administrator under §75.64.

2.1.6.1 Transmitter or Transducer Accuracy Test for Orifice-, Nozzle-, and Venturi-Type Flowmeters

(a) Calibrate the differential pressure transmitter or transducer, static pressure transmitter or transducer, and temperature transmitter or transducer, as applicable, using equipment that has a current certificate of traceability to NIST standards. Check the calibration of each transmitter or transducer by comparing its readings to that of the NIST traceable equipment at least once at each of the following levels: the zero-level and at least two other upscale levels (e.g., ''mid'' and ''high''), such that the full range of transmitter or transducer readings corresponding to normal unit operation is represented. For temperature transmitters, the zero and upscale levels may correspond to fixed reference points, such as the freezing point or boiling point of water.

(b) Calculate the accuracy of each transmitter or transducer at each level tested, using the following equation:

$$ACC = \frac{|R - T|}{FS} \times 100 \qquad \text{(Eq. D-1a)}$$

Where:

ACC = Accuracy of the transmitter or transducer as a percentage of full-scale.

R = Reading of the NIST traceable reference value (in milliamperes, inches of water, psi, or degrees).

T = Reading of the transmitter or transducer being tested (in milliamperes, inches of water, psi, or degrees, consistent with the units of measure of the NIST traceable reference value).

FS = Full-scale range of the transmitter or transducer being tested (in milliamperes, inches of water, psi, or degrees, consistent with the units of measure of the NIST traceable reference value).

(c) If each transmitter or transducer meets an accuracy of 1.0 percent of its full-scale range at each level tested, the fuel flowmeter accuracy of 2.0 percent is considered to be met at all levels. If, however, one or more of the transmitters or transducers does not meet an accuracy of 1.0 percent of full-scale at a particular level, then the owner or operator may demonstrate that the fuel flowmeter meets the total accuracy specification of 2.0 percent at that level by using one of the following alternative methods. If, at a particular level, the sum of the individual accuracies of the three transducers is less than or equal to 4.0 percent, the fuel flowmeter accuracy specification of 2.0 percent is considered to be met for that level. Or, if at a particular level, the total fuel flowmeter accuracy is 2.0 percent or less, when calculated in accordance with Part 1 of American Gas Association Report No. 3, General Equations and Uncertainty Guidelines, the flowmeter accuracy requirement is considered to be met for that level.

2.1.6.2 Recordkeeping for Transmitter or Transducer Accuracy Results

(a) Record the accuracy of the orifice, nozzle, or venturi meter or its individual transmitters or transducers and keep this information in a file at the site or other location suitable for inspection.

TABLE D–2—TABLE OF FLOWMETER TRANSMITTER OR TRANSDUCER ACCURACY RESULTS

Test number:_____ Test completion date: _____ Unit or pipe ID: _____
Flowmeter serial number: Component/System ID:
Full-scale value: Units of measure:[3]
Transducer/Transmitter Type (check one):
____ Differential Pressure
____ Static Pressure
____ Temperature

| Measurement level (percent of full-scale) | Run number (if multiple runs)[2] | Run time (HHMM) | Transmitter/ transducer input (pre-calibration) | Expected transmitter/ transducer output (reference) | Actual transmitter/ transducer output[3] | Percent accuracy (percent of full-scale) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Low (Minimum) level | | | | | | |
| ____ percent[1] of full-scale | ..... | | | | | |
| Mid-level | | | | | | |
| ____ percent[1] of full-scale | ..... | | | | | |
| (If tested at more than 3 levels) | | | | | | |
| 2nd Mid-level | | | | | | |
| ____ percent[1] of full-scale | ..... | | | | | |
| (If tested at more than 3 levels) | | | | | | |
| 3rd Mid-level | | | | | | |
| ____ percent[1] of full-scale | ..... | | | | | |
| High (Maximum) level | | | | | | |
| ____ percent[1] of full-scale | ..... | | | | | |

[1] At a minimum, it is required to test at zero-level and at least two other levels across the range of the transmitter or transducer readings corresponding to normal unit operation.
[2] It is required to test at least once at each level.
[3] Use the same units of measure for all readings (e.g., use degrees (°), inches of water (in $H_2O$), pounds per square inch (psi), or milliamperes (ma) for both transmitter or transducer readings and reference readings).

(b)–(c) [Reserved]

2.1.6.3 Failure of Transducer(s) or Transmitter(s)

If, during a transmitter or transducer accuracy test conducted according to section 2.1.6.1 of this appendix, the flowmeter accuracy specification of 2.0 percent is not met at any of the levels tested, repair or replace transmitter(s) or transducer(s) as necessary until the flowmeter accuracy specification has been achieved at all levels. (Note that only transmitters or transducers which are repaired or replaced need to be re-tested; however, the re-testing is required at all three measurement levels, to ensure that the flowmeter accuracy specification is met at each level). The fuel flowmeter is ''out-of-control'' and data from the flowmeter are considered invalid, beginning with the date and hour of the failed accuracy test and continuing until the date and hour of completion of a successful transmitter or transducer accuracy test at all levels. In addition, if, during normal operation of the fuel flowmeter, one or more transmitters or transducers malfunction, data from the fuel flowmeter shall be considered invalid from the hour of the transmitter or transducer failure until the hour of completion of a successful 3-level transmitter or transducer accuracy test. During fuel flowmeter out-of-control periods, provide data from another fuel flowmeter that meets the requirements of §75.20(d) and section 2.1.5 of this appendix, or substitute for fuel flow rate using the missing data procedures in section 2.4.2 of this appendix. Record and report test data and results, consistent with sections 2.1.6.1 and 2.1.6.2 of this appendix and §75.59.

2.1.6.4 Primary Element Inspection

(a) Conduct a visual inspection of the orifice, nozzle, or venturi meter at least once every twelve calendar quarters. Notwithstanding this requirement, the procedures of section 2.1.7 of this appendix may be used to reduce the inspection frequency of the orifice, nozzle, or venturi meter to at least once every twenty calendar quarters. The inspection may be performed using a baroscope. If the visual inspection is failed (if the orifice, nozzle, or venturi meter has become damaged or corroded), then:

(1) Replace the primary element with another primary element meeting the requirements of American Gas Association Report No. 3 or ASME MFC–3M–1989, as cited in section 2.1.5.1 of this appendix (both standards incorporated by reference under §75.6). If the primary element size is changed, also calibrate the transmitters or transducers, consistent with the new primary element size;

(2) Replace the primary element with another primary element, and demonstrate that the overall flowmeter accuracy meets the accuracy specification in section 2.1.5 of

this appendix, using the procedures of section 2.1.5.2 of this appendix; or

(3) Restore the damaged or corroded primary element to ''as new'' condition; determine the overall accuracy of the flowmeter, using either the specifications of American Gas Association Report No. 3 or ASME MFC–3M–1989, as cited in section 2.1.5.1 of this appendix (both standards incorporated by reference under §75.6); and retest the transmitters or transducers prior to providing quality-assured data from the flowmeter.

(b) Data from the fuel flowmeter are considered invalid, beginning with the date and hour of a failed visual inspection and continuing until the date and hour when:

(1) The damaged or corroded primary element is replaced with another primary element meeting the requirements of American Gas Association Report No. 3 or ASME MFC–3M–1989, as cited in section 2.1.5.1 of this appendix (both standards incorporated by reference under §75.6) and, if applicable, the transmitters have been successfully recalibrated;

(2) The damaged or corroded primary element is replaced, and the overall accuracy of the flowmeter is demonstrated to meet the accuracy specification in section 2.1.5 of this appendix, using the procedures of section 2.1.5.2 of this appendix; or

(3) The restored primary element is installed to meet the requirements of American Gas Association Report No. 3 or ASME MFC–3M–1989, as cited in section 2.1.5.1 of this appendix (both standards incorporated by reference under §75.6) and its transmitters or transducers are retested to meet the accuracy specification in section 2.1.6.1 of this appendix.

(c) During each period of invalid fuel flowmeter data described in paragraph (b) of this section, provide data from another fuel flowmeter that meets the requirements of §75.20(d) and section 2.1.5 of this appendix, or substitute for fuel flow rate using the missing data procedures in section 2.4.2 of this appendix.

### 2.1.7 Fuel Flow-to-Load Quality Assurance Testing for Certified Fuel Flowmeters

The procedures of this section may be used as an optional supplement to the quality assurance procedures in section 2.1.5.1, 2.1.5.2, 2.1.6.1, or 2.1.6.4 of this appendix when conducting periodic quality assurance testing of a certified fuel flowmeter. Note, however, that these procedures may not be used unless the 168-hour baseline data requirement of section 2.1.7.1 of this appendix has been met. If, following a flowmeter accuracy test or (if applicable) a flowmeter transmitter test and primary element inspection, the procedures of this section are performed during each subsequent fuel flowmeter QA operating quarter, as defined in §72.2 of this chapter (excluding the quarter(s) in which the baseline data are collected), then these procedures may be used to meet the requirement for periodic quality assurance for a period of up to 20 calendar quarters from the previous periodic quality assurance procedure(s) performed according to sections 2.1.5.1, 2.1.5.2, or 2.1.6.1 through 2.1.6.4 of this appendix. The procedures of this section are not required for any quarter in which a flowmeter accuracy test or (if applicable) a transmitter accuracy test and a primary element inspection, are conducted. Notwithstanding the requirements of §75.57(a), when using the procedures of this section, keep records of the test data and results from the previous flowmeter accuracy test under section 2.1.5.1 or 2.1.5.2 of this appendix, records of the test data and results from the previous transmitter or transducer accuracy test under section 2.1.6.1 of this appendix for orifice-, nozzle-, and venturi-type fuel flowmeters, and records of the previous visual inspection of the primary element required under section 2.1.6.4 of this appendix for orifice-, nozzle-, and venturi-type fuel flowmeters until the next flowmeter accuracy test, transmitter accuracy test, or visual inspection is performed, even if the previous flowmeter accuracy test, transmitter accuracy test, or visual inspection was performed more than three years previously.

#### 2.1.7.1 Baseline Flow Rate-to-Load Ratio or Heat Input-to-Load Ratio

(a) Determine $R_{base}$, the baseline value of the ratio of fuel flow rate to unit load, following each successful periodic quality assurance procedure performed according to sections 2.1.5.1, 2.1.5.2, or 2.1.6.1 and 2.1.6.4 of this appendix. Establish a baseline period of data consisting, at a minimum, of 168 hours of quality-assured fuel flowmeter data. Baseline data collection shall begin with the first hour of fuel flowmeter operation following completion of the most recent quality assurance procedure(s), during which only the fuel measured by the fuel flowmeter is combusted (e.g., only gas, only residual oil, or only diesel fuel is combusted by the unit). During the baseline data collection period, the owner or operator may exclude as non-representative any hour in which the unit is ''ramping'' up or down, (i.e., the load during the hour differs by more than 15.0 percent from the load in the previous or subsequent hour) and may exclude any hour in which the unit load is in the lower 25.0 percent of the range of operation, as defined in section 6.5.2.1 of appendix A to this part (unless operation in this lower 25.0 percent of the range is considered normal for the unit). The baseline data must be obtained no later than the end of the fourth calendar quarter following the calendar quarter of the most recent quality assurance procedure for that fuel flowmeter. For orifice-, nozzle-, and venturi-type

fuel flowmeters, if the fuel flow-to-load ratio is to be used as a supplement both to the transmitter accuracy test under section 2.1.6.1 of this appendix and to primary element inspections under section 2.1.6.4 of this appendix, then the baseline data must be obtained after both procedures are completed and no later than the end of the fourth calendar quarter following the calendar quarter in which both procedures were completed. From these 168 (or more) hours of baseline data, calculate the baseline fuel flow rate-to-load ratio as follows:

$$R_{base} = \frac{Q_{base}}{L_{avg}} \qquad \text{(Eq. D-1b)}$$

where:

$R_{base}$ = Value of the fuel flow rate-to-load ratio during the baseline period; 100 scfh/MWe, 100 scfh/klb per hour steam load, or 100 scfh/mmBtu per hour thermal output for gas-firing; (lb/hr)/MWe, (lb/hr)/klb per hour steam load, or (lb/hr)/mmBtu per hour thermal output for oil-firing.

$Q_{base}$ = Arithmetic average fuel flow rate measured by the fuel flowmeter during the baseline period, 100 scfh for gas-firing and lb/hr for oil-firing.

$L_{avg}$ = Arithmetic average unit load during the baseline period, megawatts, 1000 lb/hr of steam, or mmBtu/hr thermal output.

(b) In Equation D–1b, for a fuel flowmeter installed on a common pipe header, $L_{avg}$ is the sum of the operating loads of all units that received fuel through the common pipe header during the baseline period, divided by the total number of hours of fuel flow rate data collected during the baseline period. For a unit that receives the same type of fuel through multiple pipes, $Q_{base}$ is the sum of the fuel flow rates during the baseline period from all of the pipes, divided by the total number of hours of fuel flow rate data collected during the baseline period. Round off the value of $R_{base}$ to the nearest tenth.

(c) Alternatively, a baseline value of the gross heat rate (GHR) may be determined in lieu of $R_{base}$. The baseline value of the GHR, $GHR_{base}$, shall be determined as follows:

$$(GHR)_{base} = \frac{(\text{Heat Input})_{avg}}{L_{avg}} \times 1000 \qquad \text{(Eq. D-1c)}$$

Where:

$(GHR)_{base}$ = Baseline value of the gross heat rate during the baseline period, Btu/kwh, Btu/lb steam load, or 1000mmBtu heat input/mmBtu thermal output.

$(\text{Heat Input})_{avg}$ = Average (mean) hourly heat input rate recorded by the fuel flowmeter during the baseline period, as determined using the average fuel flow rate and the fuel GCV in the applicable equation in appendix F to this part, mmBtu/hr.

$L_{avg}$ = Average (mean) unit load during the baseline period, megawatts, 1000 lb/hr of steam, or mmBtu/hr thermal output.

(d) Report the current value of $R_{base}$ (or $GHR_{base}$) and the completion date of the associated quality assurance procedure in each electronic quarterly report required under § 75.64.

(e) If a unit co-fires different fuels (*e.g.*, oil and natural gas) as its normal mode of operation, the gross heat rate option in paragraph (c) of this section may be used to determine a value of $(GHR)_{base}$, as follows. Derive the baseline data during co-fired hours. Then, use Equation D–1c to calculate $(GHR)_{base}$, making sure that each hourly unit heat input rate used to calculate $(\text{Heat Input})_{avg}$ includes the contribution of each type of fuel.

2.1.7.2 Data Preparation and Analysis

(a) Evaluate the fuel flow rate-to-load ratio (or GHR) for each fuel flowmeter QA operating quarter, as defined in § 72.2 of this chapter. At the end of each fuel flowmeter QA operating quarter, use Equation D–1d in this appendix to calculate $R_h$, the hourly fuel flow-to-load ratio, for every quality-assured hourly average fuel flow rate obtained with a certified fuel flowmeter. Alternatively, the owner or operator may exclude non-representative hours from the data analysis, as described in section 2.1.7.3 of this appendix, prior to calculating the values of $R_h$.

$$R_h = \frac{Q_h}{L_h} \qquad \text{(Eq. D-1d)}$$

where:

$R_h$ = Hourly value of the fuel flow rate-to-load ratio; 100 scfh/MWe, (lb/hr)/MWe, 100 scfh/1000 lb/hr of steam load, (lb/hr)/1000 lb/hr of steam load, 100 scfh/(mmBtu/hr of steam load), or (lb/hr)/(mmBtu/hr thermal output).

$Q_h$ = Hourly fuel flow rate, as measured by the fuel flowmeter, 100 scfh for gas-firing or lb/hr for oil-firing.

$L_h$ = Hourly unit load, megawatts, 1000 lb/hr of steam, or mmBtu/hr thermal output.

(b) For a fuel flowmeter installed on a common pipe header, Lh shall be the sum of the hourly operating loads of all units that receive fuel through the common pipe header. For a unit that receives the same type of fuel through multiple pipes, $Q_h$ will be the sum of the fuel flow rates from all of the pipes. Round off each value of $R_h$ to the nearest tenth.

(c) Alternatively, calculate the hourly gross heat rates (GHR) in lieu of the hourly flow-to-load ratios. If this option is selected, calculate each hourly GHR value as follows:

$$(GHR)_h = \frac{(\text{Heat Input})_h}{L_h} \times 1000 \qquad \text{(Eq. D-1e)}$$

Where:

$(GHR)_h$ = Hourly value of the gross heat rate, Btu/kwh, Btu/lb steam load, or mmBtu heat input/mmBtu thermal output.

$(\text{Heat Input})_h$ = Hourly heat input rate, as determined using the hourly fuel flow rate and the fuel GCV in the applicable equation in appendix F to this part, mmBtu/hr.

$L_h$ = Hourly unit load, megawatts, 1000 lb/hr of steam, or mmBtu/hr thermal output.

(d) Evaluate the calculated flow rate-to-load ratios (or gross heat rates) as follows.

(1) Perform a separate data analysis for each fuel flowmeter system following the procedures of this section. Base each analysis on a minimum of 168 hours of data. If, for a particular fuel flowmeter system, fewer than 168 hourly flow-to-load ratios (or GHR values) are available, or, if the baseline data collection period is still in progress at the end of the quarter and fewer than four calendar quarters have elapsed since the quarter in which the last successful fuel flowmeter system accuracy test was performed, a flow-to-load (or GHR) evaluation is not required for that flowmeter system for that calendar quarter. A one-quarter extension of the deadline for the next fuel flowmeter system accuracy test may be claimed for a quarter in which there is insufficient hourly data available to analyze or a quarter that ends with the baseline data collection period still in progress.

(2) For a unit that normally co-fires different types of fuel (e.g., oil and natural gas), include the contribution of each type of fuel in the value of $(\text{Heat Input})_h$, when using Equation D–1e.

(e) For each hourly flow-to-load ratio or GHR value, calculate the percentage difference (percent $D_h$) from the baseline fuel flow-to-load ratio using Equation D–1f.

$$\%D_h = \frac{|R_{base} - R_h|}{R_{base}} \times 100 \qquad \text{(Eq. D-1f)}$$

Where:

$\%D_h$ = Absolute value of the percentage difference between the hourly fuel flow rate-to-load ratio and the baseline value of the fuel flow rate-to-load ratio (or hourly and baseline GHR).

$R_h$ = The hourly fuel flow rate-to-load ratio (or GHR).

$R_{base}$ = The value of the fuel flow rate-to-load ratio (or GHR) from the baseline period, determined in accordance with section 2.1.7.1 of this appendix.

(f) Consistently use $R_{base}$ and $R_h$ in Equation D–1f if the fuel flow-to-load ratio is being evaluated, and consistently use $(GHR)_{base}$ and $(GHR)_h$ in Equation D–1f if the gross heat rate is being evaluated.

(g) Next, determine the arithmetic average of all of the hourly percent difference (percent $D_h$) values using Equation D–1g, as follows:

$$E_f = \sum_{h=1}^{q} \frac{\%D_h}{q} \qquad \text{(Eq. D-1g)}$$

Where:

$E_f$ = Quarterly average percentage difference between hourly flow rate-to-load ratios and the baseline value of the fuel flow rate-to-load ratio (or hourly and baseline GHR).

$\%D_h$ = Percentage difference between the hourly fuel flow rate-to-load ratio and the baseline value of the fuel flow rate-to-load ratio (or hourly and baseline GHR).

q = Number of hours used in fuel flow-to-load (or GHR) evaluation.

(h) When the quarterly average load value used in the data analysis is greater than 50 MWe (or 500 klb steam per hour), the results of a quarterly fuel flow rate-to-load (or GHR) evaluation are acceptable and no further action is required if the quarterly average percentage difference ($E_f$) is no greater than 10.0 percent. When the arithmetic average of the hourly load values used in the data analysis is ≤50 MWe (or 500 klb steam per hour), the results of the analysis are acceptable if the value of $E_f$ is no greater than 15.0 percent. For units that normally co-fire different types of fuel, if the GHR option is used, apply the test results to each fuel flowmeter system used during the quarter.

2.1.7.3 Optional Data Exclusions

(a) If $E_f$ is outside the limits in section 2.1.7.2(h) of this appendix, the owner or operator may re-examine the hourly fuel flow rate-to-load ratios (or GHRs) that were used for the data analysis and may identify and exclude fuel flow-to-load ratios or GHR values for any non-representative hours, provided that such data exclusions were not previously made under section 2.1.7.2(a) of this appendix. Specifically, the $R_h$ or $(GHR)_h$ values for the following hours may be considered non-representative:

(1) For units that do not normally co-fire fuels, any hour in which the unit combusted another fuel in addition to the fuel measured by the fuel flowmeter being tested; or

(2) Any hour for which the load differed by more than ±15.0 percent from the load during either the preceding hour or the subsequent hour; or

(3) For units that normally co-fire different fuels, any hour in which the unit burned only one type of fuel; or

(4) Any hour for which the unit load was in the lower 25.0 percent of the range of operation, as defined in section 6.5.2.1 of appendix A to this part (unless operation in the lower 25.0 percent of the range is considered normal for the unit).

(b) After identifying and excluding all non-representative hourly fuel flow-to-load ratios or GHR values, analyze the quarterly fuel flow rate-to-load data a second time. If fewer than 168 hourly fuel flow-to-load ratio or GHR values remain after the allowable data exclusions, a fuel flow-to-load ratio or GHR analysis is not required for that quarter, and a one-quarter extension of the fuel flowmeter accuracy test deadline may be claimed.

2.1.7.4 Consequences of Failed Fuel Flow-to-Load Ratio Test

(a) If $E_f$ is outside the applicable limit in section 2.1.7.2(h) of this appendix (after analysis using any optional data exclusions under section 2.1.7.3 of this appendix), perform transmitter accuracy tests according to section 2.1.6.1 of this appendix for orifice-, nozzle-, and venturi-type flowmeters, or perform a fuel flowmeter accuracy test, in accordance with section 2.1.5.1 or 2.1.5.2 of this appendix, for each fuel flowmeter for which $E_f$ is outside of the applicable limit. In addition, for an orifice-, nozzle-, or venturi-type fuel flowmeter, repeat the fuel flow-to-load ratio comparison of section 2.1.7.2 of this appendix using six to twelve hours of data following a passed transmitter accuracy test in order to verify that no significant corrosion has affected the primary element. If, for the abbreviated 6-to-12 hour test, the orifice-, nozzle-, or venturi-type fuel flowmeter is not able to meet the limit in section 2.1.7.2 of this appendix, then perform a visual inspection of the primary element according to section 2.1.6.4 of this appendix, and repair or replace the primary element, as necessary.

(b) Substitute for fuel flow rate, for any hour when that fuel is combusted, using the missing data procedures in section 2.4.2 of this appendix, beginning with the first hour of the calendar quarter following the quarter for which $E_f$ was found to be outside the applicable limit and continuing until quality-assured fuel flow data become available. Following a failed flow rate-to-load or GHR evaluation, data from the flowmeter shall not be considered quality-assured until the hour in which all required flowmeter accuracy tests, transmitter accuracy tests, visual inspections and diagnostic tests have been passed. Additionally, a new value of $R_{base}$ or $(GHR)_{base}$ shall be established no later than two fuel flowmeter QA operating quarters (as defined in §72.2 of this chapter) after the quarter in which the required quality assurance tests are completed (note that for orifice-, nozzle-, or venturi-type fuel flowmeters, establish a new value of $R_{base}$ or $(GHR)_{base}$ only if both a transmitter accuracy test and a primary element inspection have been performed).

2.1.7.5 Test Results

Report the results of each quarterly flow rate-to-load (or GHR) evaluation, as determined from Equation D–1g, in the electronic quarterly report required under §75.64. Table D–3 is provided as a reference on the type of information to be recorded under §75.59 and reported under §75.64.

TABLE D–3—BASELINE INFORMATION AND TEST RESULTS FOR FUEL FLOW-TO-LOAD TEST

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|---|---|
| Plant name:_____ State:____ ORIS code:_____<br>Unit/pipe ID #: _____ Fuel flowmeter system ID :___<br>Calendar quarter (1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th) and year:_____<br>Range of operation: _____ to _____ MWe or klb steam/hr (indicate units) | |
| Reported Data Elements | |
| Baseline period | Quarterly analysis |
| Completion date and time of most recent QA sequence, i.e., primary element inspection and transmitter calibration (orifice-, nozzle-, and venturi-type flowmeters only).<br>__/__/__ __:__ | Number of hours excluded from quarterly average due to co-firing different fuels (where co-firing is not normal operation):_____ hrs. |
| Completion date and time of most recent flowmeter or accuracy test (all other flowmeters)<br>__/__/__ __:__ | Number of hours excluded from quarterly average due to single-fuel combustion (where co-firing is normal operation):_____ hrs. |
| Beginning date and time of baseline period<br>__/__/__ __:__ | Number of hours excluded from quarterly average due to ramping load:_____ hrs. |
| End date and time of baseline period<br>__/__/__ __:__ | Number of hours in the lower 25.0 percent of the range of operation excluded from quarterly average:<br>_____hrs. |
| Average fuel flow rate_____<br>(100 scfh for gas and lb/hr for oil) | Number of hours included in quarterly average:_____ hrs. |
| Average load;_____<br>(MWe or 1000 lb steam/hr) | Quarterly percentage difference between hourly ratios and baseline ratio:_____ percent. |
| Baseline fuel flow-to-load ratio _____<br>Units of fuel flow-to-load:_____ | Test result: pass, fail. |
| Baseline GHR: _____<br>Units of fuel flow-to-load:_____ | |
| Number of hours excluded from baseline ratio or GHR due to ramping load: _____ | |
| Number of hours in the lower 25.0 percent of the range of operation excluded from baseline ratio or GHR:<br>hrs. | |

*2.2 Oil Sampling and Analysis*

Perform sampling and analysis of oil to determine the following fuel properties for each type of oil combusted by a unit: percentage of sulfur by weight in the oil; gross calorific value (GCV) of the oil; and, if necessary, the density of the oil. Use the sulfur content, density, and gross calorific value, determined under the provisions of this section, to calculate $SO_2$ mass emission rate and heat input rate for each fuel using the applicable procedures of section 3 of this appendix. The designated representative may petition for reduced GCV and or density sampling under §75.66 if the fuel combusted has a consistent and relatively non-variable GCV or density.

TABLE D-4. -- OIL SAMPLING METHODS AND SULFUR, DENSITY AND GROSS CALORIFIC VALUE USED IN CALCULATIONS

| Parameter | Sampling technique/frequency | Value used in calculations (except for missing data hours) |
|---|---|---|
| Oil Sulfur Content | Daily manual sampling | 1. Highest sulfur content from previous 30 daily samples; or<br>2. Actual daily value. |
| | Flow proportional/weekly composite | Actual measured value. |
| | In storage tank (after addition of fuel to tank) | 1. Actual measured value; or<br>2. Highest of all sampled values in previous calendar year, unless a higher sample value is obtained;[1] or<br>3. Maximum value allowed by contract, unless a higher sample value is obtained[1] |
| | As delivered (in delivery truck or barge).[1] | 1. Highest of all sampled values in previous calendar year, unless a higher sample value is obtained;[1] or<br>2. Maximum value allowed by contract, unless a higher sample value is obtained[1] |
| Oil Density | Daily manual sampling | 1. Use the highest density from the previous 30 daily samples; or<br>2. Actual measured value. |
| | Flow proportional/weekly composite | Actual measured value. |
| | In storage tank (after addition of fuel to tank) | 1. Actual measured value; or<br>2. Highest of all sampled values in previous calendar year, unless a higher sample value is obtained;[1] or<br>3. Maximum value allowed by contract, unless a higher sample value is obtained[1] |
| | As delivered (in delivery truck or barge).[1] | 1. Highest of all sampled values in previous calendar year, unless a higher sample value is obtained;[1] or<br>2. Maximum value allowed by contract, unless a higher sample value is obtained[1] |
| Oil GCV | Daily manual sampling | 1. Highest fuel GCV from the previous 30 daily samples; or<br>2. Actual measured value. |
| | Flow proportional/weekly composite | Actual measured value. |
| | In storage tank (after addition of fuel to tank) | 1. Actual measured value; or<br>2. Highest of all sampled values in previous calendar year, unless a higher sample value is obtained;[1] or<br>3. Maximum value allowed by contract, unless a higher sample value is obtained[1] |
| | As delivered (in delivery truck or barge).[1] | 1. Highest of all sampled values in previous calendar year, unless a higher sample value is obtained;[1] or<br>2. Maximum value allowed by contract, unless a higher sample value is obtained[1] |

[1] Assumed values may only be used if sulfur content, gross calorific value, or density of each sample is no greater than the assumed value used to calculate emissions or heat input. If a higher sample value is obtained, use the results of that sample analysis as the new assumed value.

2.2.1 When combusting oil, use one of the following methods to sample the oil (see Table D–4): sample from the storage tank for the unit after each addition of oil to the storage tank, in accordance with section 2.2.4.2 of this appendix; or sample from the fuel lot in the shipment tank or container upon receipt of each oil delivery or from the fuel lot in the oil supplier's storage container, in accordance with section 2.2.4.3 of this appendix; or use the flow proportional sampling methodology in section 2.2.3 of this appendix; or use the daily manual sampling methodology in section 2.2.4.1 of this appendix. For purposes of this appendix, a fuel lot of oil is the mass or volume of product oil

from one source (supplier or pretreatment facility), intended as one shipment or delivery (e.g., ship load, barge load, group of trucks, discrete purchase of diesel fuel through pipeline, etc.). A storage tank is a container at a plant holding oil that is actually combusted by the unit, such that no blending of any other fuel with the fuel in the storage tank occurs from the time that the fuel lot is transferred to the storage tank to the time when the fuel is combusted in the unit.

2.2.2 [Reserved]

2.2.3 Flow Proportional Sampling

Conduct flow proportional oil sampling or continuous drip oil sampling in accordance with ASTM D4177–95 (Reapproved 2000), ''Standard Practice for Automatic Sampling of Petroleum and Petroleum Products'' (incorporated by reference under §75.6), every day the unit is combusting oil. Extract oil at least once every hour and blend into a composite sample. The sample compositing period may not exceed 7 calendar days (168 hrs). Use the actual sulfur content (and where density data are required, the actual density) from the composite sample to calculate the hourly $SO_2$ mass emission rates for each operating day represented by the composite sample. Calculate the hourly heat input rates for each operating day represented by the composite sample, using the actual gross calorific value from the composite sample.

2.2.4 Manual Sampling

2.2.4.1 Daily Samples

Representative oil samples may be taken from the storage tank or fuel flow line manually every day that the unit combusts oil according to ASTM ASTM D4057–95 (Reapproved 2000), Standard Practice for Manual Sampling of Petroleum and Petroleum Products (incorporated by reference under §75.6 of this part). Use either the actual daily sulfur content or the highest fuel sulfur content recorded at that unit from the most recent 30 daily samples for the purpose of calculating $SO_2$ emissions under section 3 of this appendix. Use either the gross calorific value measured from that day's sample or the highest GCV from the previous 30 days' samples to calculate heat input. If oil supplies with different sulfur contents are combusted on the same day, sample the highest sulfur fuel combusted that day.

2.2.4.2 Sampling From a Unit's Storage Tank

Take a manual sample after each addition of oil to the storage tank. Do not blend additional fuel with the sampled fuel prior to combustion. Sample according to the single tank composite sampling procedure or all-levels sampling procedure in ASTM ASTM D4057–95 (Reapproved 2000), Standard Practice for Manual Sampling of Petroleum and Petroleum Products (incorporated by reference under §75.6 of this part). Use the sulfur content and GCV value (and where required, the density) of either the most recent sample or one of the conservative assumed values described in section 2.2.4.3(c) of this appendix to calculate $SO_2$ mass emission rate. Calculate heat input rate using the gross calorific value from either:

(a) The most recent oil sample taken or

(b) One of the conservative assumed values described in section 2.2.4.3(c) of this appendix. Follow the applicable provisions in section 2.2.4.3(d) of this appendix, regarding the use of assumed values.

2.2.4.3 Sampling From Each Delivery

(a) Alternatively, an oil sample may be taken from—

(1) The shipment tank or container upon receipt of each lot of fuel oil or

(2) The supplier's storage container which holds the lot of fuel oil. (Note: a supplier need only sample the storage container once for sulfur content, GCV and, where required, the density so long as the fuel sulfur content and GCV do not change and no fuel is added to the supplier's storage container.)

(b) For the purpose of this section, a lot is defined as a shipment or delivery (e.g., ship load, barge load, group of trucks, discrete purchase of diesel fuel through a pipeline, etc.) of a single fuel.

(c) Oil sampling may be performed either by the owner or operator of an affected unit, an outside laboratory, or a fuel supplier, provided that samples are representative and that sampling is performed according to either the single tank composite sampling procedure or the all-levels sampling procedure in ASTM ASTM D4057–95 (Reapproved 2000), Standard Practice for Manual Sampling of Petroleum and Petroleum Products (incorporated by reference under §75.6 of this part). Except as otherwise provided in this section, calculate $SO_2$ mass emission rate using the sulfur content (and where required, the density) from one of the two following conservative assumed values, and calculate heat input using the gross calorific value from one of the assumed values:

(1) The highest value sampled during the previous calendar year (this option is allowed for any consistent fuel which comes from a single source whether or not the fuel is supplied under a contractual agreement) or

(2) The maximum value indicated in the contract with the fuel supplier. Continue to use this assumed contract value unless and until the actual sampled sulfur content, density, or gross calorific value of a delivery exceeds the assumed value.

(d) Continue using the assumed value(s), so long as the sample results do not exceed the assumed value(s). However, if the actual sampled sulfur content, gross calorific value, or density of an oil sample is greater than the assumed value for that parameter, then, consistent with section 2.3.7 of this appendix, begin to use the actual sampled value for sulfur content, gross calorific value, or density of fuel to calculate SO2 mass emission rate or heat input rate. Consider the sampled value to be the new assumed sulfur content, gross calorific value, or density. Continue using this new assumed value to calculate SO2 mass emission rate or heat input rate unless and until: it is superseded by a higher value from an oil sample; or (if applicable) it is superseded by a new contract in which case the new contract value becomes the assumed value at the time the fuel specified under the new contract begins to be combusted in the unit; or (if applicable) both the calendar year in which the sampled value exceeded the assumed value and the subsequent calendar year have elapsed.

2.2.5 For each oil sample that is taken onsite at the affected facility, split and label the sample and maintain a portion (at least 200 cc) of it throughout the calendar year and in all cases for not less than 90 calendar days after the end of the calendar year allowance accounting period. This requirement does not apply to oil samples taken from the fuel supplier's storage container, as described in section 2.2.4.3 of this appendix. Analyze oil samples for percent sulfur content by weight in accordance with ASTM D129–00, Standard Test Method for Sulfur in Petroleum Products (General Bomb Method), ASTM D1552–01, Standard Test Method for Sulfur in Petroleum Products (High-Temperature Method), ASTM D2622–98, Standard Test Method for Sulfur in Petroleum Products by Wavelength Dispersive X-ray Fluorescence Spectrometry, ASTM D4294–98, Standard Test Method for Sulfur in Petroleum and Petroleum Products by Energy-Dispersive X-ray Fluorescence Spectrometry, or ASTM D5453–06, Standard Test Method for Determination of Total Sulfur in Light Hydrocarbons, Spark Ignition Engine Fuel, Diesel Engine Fuel, and Engine Oil by Ultraviolet Fluorescence (all incorporated by reference under §75.6 of this part). Alternatively, the oil samples may be analyzed for percent sulfur by any consensus standard method prescribed for the affected unit under part 60 of this chapter.

2.2.6 Where the flowmeter records volumetric flow rate rather than mass flow rate, analyze oil samples to determine the density or specific gravity of the oil. Determine the density or specific gravity of the oil sample in accordance with ASTM D287–92 (Reapproved 2000), Standard Test Method for API Gravity of Crude Petroleum and Petroleum Products (Hydrometer Method), ASTM D1217–93 (Reapproved 1998), Standard Test Method for Density and Relative Density (Specific Gravity) of Liquids by Bingham Pycnometer, ASTM D1481–93 (Reapproved 1997), Standard Test Method for Density and Relative Density (Specific Gravity) of Viscous Materials by Lipkin Bicapillary Pycnometer, ASTM D1480–93 (Reapproved 1997), Standard Test Method for Density and Relative Density (Specific Gravity) of Viscous Materials by Bingham Pycnometer, ASTM D1298–99, Standard Test Method for Density, Relative Density (Specific Gravity), or API Gravity of Crude Petroleum and Liquid Petroleum Products by Hydrometer Method, or ASTM D4052–96 (Reapproved 2002), Standard Test Method for Density and Relative Density of Liquids by Digital Density Meter (all incorporated by reference under §75.6 of this part). Alternatively, the oil samples may be analyzed for density or specific gravity by any consensus standard method prescribed for the affected unit under part 60 of this chapter.

2.2.7 Analyze oil samples to determine the heat content of the fuel. Determine oil heat content in accordance with ASTM D240–00, ASTM D4809–00, ASTM D5865–01a, or D5865–10 (all incorporated by reference under §75.6) or any other procedures listed in section 5.5 of appendix F of this part. Alternatively, the oil samples may be analyzed for heat content by any consensus standard method prescribed for the affected unit under part 60 of this chapter.

2.2.8 Results from the oil sample analysis must be available no later than thirty calendar days after the sample is composited or taken. However, during an audit, the Administrator may require that the results of the analysis be available as soon as practicable, and no later than 5 business days after receipt of a request from the Administrator.

*2.3 $SO_2$ Emissions From Combustion of Gaseous Fuels*

(a) Account for the hourly $SO_2$ mass emissions due to combustion of gaseous fuels for each hour when gaseous fuels are combusted by the unit using the procedures in this section.

(b) The procedures in sections 2.3.1 and 2.3.2 of this appendix, respectively, may be used to determine $SO_2$ mass emissions from combustion of pipeline natural gas and natural gas, as defined in §72.2 of this chapter. The procedures in section 2.3.3 of this appendix may be used to account for $SO_2$ mass emissions from any gaseous fuel combusted by a unit. For each type of gaseous fuel, the appropriate sampling frequency and the sulfur content and GCV values used for calculations of $SO_2$ mass emission rates are summarized in the following Table D–5.

TABLE D-5. -- GAS SULFUR AND GCV VALUES USED IN CALCULATIONS FOR VARIOUS FUEL TYPES

| Parameter | Fuel type and sampling frequency | Value used in calculations (except for missing data hours) |
|---|---|---|
| Gas Total Sulfur Content | Pipeline Natural Gas with total sulfur content less than or equal to 0.5 grains/100scf<br><br>* Sampling is not required if a valid contract or tariff sheet is used to qualify.<br><br>* If fuel sampling and analysis is used to qualify, sample annually and whenever the fuel supply source changes. | 1. If a contract or tariff sheet is used to qualify, use 0.0006 lb/mmBtu<br><br>2. If fuel sampling and analysis is used to qualify, use 0.0006 lb/mmBtu, provided that the results of the required annual samples do not exceed 0.5 grains/100 scf of total sulfur. If the results of an annual sample exceed 0.5 grains/100 scf, re-classify the fuel as appropriate and determine the $SO_2$ emission rate to be used in the calculations, using the applicable procedures in section 2.3.2 or 2.3.3 of this appendix |
| | Natural Gas with total sulfur content less than or equal to 20.0 grains /100scf<br>* Sampling is not required if a valid contract or tariff sheet is used to qualify.<br><br>* If fuel sampling and analysis is used to qualify, sample annually and whenever the fuel supply source changes. | Default $SO_2$ emission rate calculated from Eq. D-1h, using either:<br><br>1. The maximum total sulfur content specified in the fuel contract or tariff sheet, if a contract or tariff sheet is used to qualify; or<br><br>2. The total sulfur content, based on the most recent fuel sampling and analysis. If multiple samples are taken, the results may be averaged before using Equation D-1h. |
| | Any gaseous fuel transmitted by pipeline, having a "low sulfur variability", as shown under section 2.3.6 of this appendix.<br><br>* Either sample daily or, if Eq. D-1h is used to calculate a default $SO_2$ emission rate, sample annually. | * If daily sampling is performed, use either:<br><br>1. Actual value from the daily sample; or<br>2. Highest value from previous 30 samples.<br><br>* If the option to use Eq. D-1h is selected, use a default $SO_2$ emission rate, calculated using the higher of:<br><br>1. The 90th percentile value of the total sulfur content, obtained in the 720-hr demonstration under section 2.3.6; or<br><br>2. The actual total sulfur content from the most recent annual sample. If multiple samples are taken, the results may be averaged before using Equation D-1h. |

| Parameter | Fuel type and sampling frequency | Value used in calculations (except for missing data hours) |
|---|---|---|
| | Any gaseous fuel transmitted by pipeline, having a maximum total sulfur content ≤ 20 grains/100 scf and "high sulfur variability", as shown under section 2.3.6 of this appendix.<br><br>* Either sample hourly or, if Eq. D-1h is used to calculate a default $SO_2$ emission rate, sample annually. | * If hourly sampling is performed, use the actual hourly value<br><br>* If the option to use Eq. D-1h is selected, use a default $SO_2$ emission rate, calculated using the higher of:<br><br>1. The maximum value of the total sulfur content, obtained in the 720-hr demonstration under section 2.3.6; or<br><br>2. The actual total sulfur content from the most recent annual sample. If multiple samples are taken, the results may be averaged before using Equation D-1h. |
| | Any gaseous fuel transmitted by pipeline, having a maximum total sulfur content > 20 grains/100 scf and "high sulfur variability", as shown under section 2.3.6 of this appendix.<br><br>* Sample hourly | Actual hourly sulfur content of the gas |
| | Any gaseous fuel delivered in shipments or lots<br><br>* Sample each lot or shipment. | 1. Actual total sulfur content from most recent shipment; or<br>2. Highest total sulfur content from previous year's samples, unless a higher value is obtained in a sample[1] ; or<br>3. Maximum total sulfur content value allowed by contract, unless a higher value is obtained in a sample.[1] |
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| Gas GCV | Pipeline Natural Gas<br><br>* Sample monthly | 1. GCV from most recent monthly sample (with ≥ 48 operating hours in the month);<br>2. Maximum GCV from contract, unless a higher value is obtained in a monthly sample;[1] or<br>3. Highest GCV from previous year's samples, unless a higher value is obtained in a monthly sample.[1] |
| | Natural Gas<br><br>* Sample monthly | 1. GCV from most recent monthly sample (with ≥ 48 operating hours in the month);<br>2. Maximum GCV from contract[1] or<br>3. Highest GCV from previous year's samples.[1] |
| | Any gaseous fuel delivered in shipments or lots<br><br>* Sample each lot or shipment | 1. Actual GCV from most recent shipment or lot;<br>2. Highest GCV from previous year's samples, unless a higher value is obtained in a sample;[1] or<br>3. Maximum GCV value allowed by contract, unless a higher value is obtained in a sample.[1] |

| Parameter | Fuel type and sampling frequency | Value used in calculations (except for missing data hours) |
|---|---|---|
| | Any gaseous fuel transmitted by pipeline and having a demonstrated "low GCV variability" using the provisions of section 2.3.5<br><br>* Sample monthly | 1. GCV from most recent monthly sample (with ≥ 48 operating hours in the month); or<br>2. Highest GCV from previous year's samples, unless a higher value is obtained in a monthly sample.[1] |
| | Any gaseous fuel not demonstrated to have a "low GCV variability" under section 2.3.5<br><br>* Sample daily or hourly. (Note that the use of an on-line GCV calorimeter or gas chromatograph is allowed). | Actual daily or hourly GCV of the gas. |

[1] Assumed sulfur content and GCV values (i.e., contract values or highest values from previous year) may only continue to be used if the sulfur content or GCV of each sample is no greater than the assumed value used to calculate $SO_2$ emissions or heat input. If a higher sample value is obtained, use the results of that sample analysis as the new assumed value.

### 2.3.1 Pipeline Natural Gas Combustion

The owner or operator may determine the $SO_2$ mass emissions from the combustion of a fuel that meets the definition of pipeline natural gas, in §72.2 of this chapter, using the procedures of this section.

#### 2.3.1.1 $SO_2$ Emission Rate

For a fuel that meets the definition of pipeline natural gas under §72.2 of this chapter, the owner or operator may determine the $SO_2$ mass emissions using either a default $SO_2$ emission rate of 0.0006 lb/mmBtu and the procedures of this section, the procedures in section 2.3.2 for natural gas, or the procedures of section 2.3.3 for any gaseous fuel. For each affected unit using the default rate of 0.0006 lb/mmBtu, the owner or operator must document that the fuel combusted is actually pipeline natural gas, using the procedures in section 2.3.1.4 of this appendix.

#### 2.3.1.2 Hourly Heat Input Rate

Calculate hourly heat input rate, in mmBtu/hr, for a unit combusting pipeline natural gas, using the procedures of section 3.4.1 of this appendix. Use the measured fuel flow rate from section 2.1 of this appendix and the gross calorific value from section 2.3.4.1 of this appendix in the calculations.

#### 2.3.1.3 $SO_2$ Hourly Mass Emission Rate and Hourly Mass Emissions

For pipeline natural gas combustion, calculate the SO2 mass emission rate, in lb/hr, using Equation D–5 in section 3.3.2 of this appendix (when the default $SO_2$ emission rate is used) or Equation D–4 (if daily or hourly fuel sampling is used). Then, use the calculated $SO_2$ mass emission rate and the unit operating time to determine the hourly $SO_2$ mass emissions from pipeline natural gas combustion, in lb, using Equation D–12 in section 3.5.1 of this appendix.

#### 2.3.1.4 Documentation that a Fuel is Pipeline Natural Gas

(a) A fuel may initially qualify as pipeline natural gas, if information is provided in the monitoring plan required under §75.53, demonstrating that the definition of pipeline natural gas in §72.2 of this chapter has been met. The information must demonstrate that the fuel meets either the percent methane or GCV requirement and has a total sulfur content of 0.5 grains/100scf or less. The demonstration must be made using one of the following sources of information:

(1) The gas quality characteristics specified by a purchase contract, tariff sheet, or by a pipeline transportation contract; or

(2) Historical fuel sampling data for the previous 12 months, documenting the total sulfur content of the fuel and the GCV and/or percentage by volume of methane. The results of all sample analyses obtained by or provided to the owner or operator in the previous 12 months shall be used in the demonstration, and each sample result must meet the definition of pipeline natural gas in §72.2 of this chapter, except where the results of at least 100 daily (or more frequent) total sulfur samples are provided by the fuel supplier. In that case you may opt to convert these data to monthly averages and then if, for each month, the average total sulfur content is 0.5 grains/100 scf or less, and if the GCV or percent methane requirement is also met, the fuel qualifies as pipeline natural

gas. Alternatively, the fuel qualifies as pipeline natural gas if ≥98 percent of the 100 (or more) samples have a total sulfur content of 0.5 grains/100 scf or less and if the GCV or percent methane requirement is also met; or

(3) If the requirements of paragraphs (a)(1) and (a)(2) of this section cannot be met, a fuel may initially qualify as pipeline natural gas if at least one representative sample of the fuel is obtained and analyzed for total sulfur content and for either the gross calorific value (GCV) or percent methane, and the results of the sample analysis show that the fuel meets the definition of pipeline natural gas in § 72.2 of this chapter. Use the sampling methods specified in sections 2.3.3.1.2 and 2.3.4 of this appendix. The required fuel sample may be obtained and analyzed by the owner or operator, by an independent laboratory, or by the fuel supplier. If multiple samples are taken, each sample must meet the definition of pipeline natural gas in § 72.2 of this chapter.

(b) If the results of the fuel sampling under paragraph (a)(2) or (a)(3) of this section show that the fuel does not meet the definition of pipeline natural gas in § 72.2 of this chapter, but those results are believed to be anomalous, the owner or operator may document the reasons for believing this in the monitoring plan for the unit, and may immediately perform additional sampling. In such cases, a minimum of three additional samples must be obtained and analyzed, and the results of each sample analysis must meet the definition of pipeline natural gas.

(c) If several affected units are supplied by a common source of gaseous fuel, a single sampling result may be applied to all of the units and it is not necessary to obtain a separate sample for each unit, provided that the composition of the fuel is not altered by blending or mixing it with other gaseous fuel(s) when it is transported from the sampling location to the affected units. For the purposes of this paragraph, the term ''other gaseous fuel(s)'' excludes compounds such as mercaptans when they are added in trace quantities for safety reasons.

(d) If the results of fuel sampling and analysis under paragraph (a)(2), (a)(3), or (b) of this section show that the fuel does not qualify as pipeline natural gas, proceed as follows:

(1) If the fuel still qualifies as natural gas under section 2.3.2.4 of this appendix, re-classify the fuel as natural gas and determine the appropriate default $SO_2$ emission rate for the fuel, according to section 2.3.2.1.1 of this appendix; or

(2) If the fuel does not qualify either as pipeline natural gas or natural gas, re-classify the fuel as ''other gaseous fuel'' and implement the procedures of section 2.3.3 of this appendix, within 180 days of the end of the quarter in which the disqualifying sample was taken. In addition, the owner or operator shall use Equation D–1h in this appendix to calculate a default $SO_2$ emission rate for the fuel, based on the results of the sample analysis that exceeded 20 grains/100 scf of total sulfur, and shall use that default emission rate to report $SO_2$ mass emissions under this part until section 2.3.3 of this appendix has been fully implemented.

(e) If a fuel qualifies as pipeline natural gas based on the specifications in a fuel contract or tariff sheet, no additional, on-going sampling of the fuel's total sulfur content is required, provided that the contract or tariff sheet is current, valid and representative of the fuel combusted in the unit. If the fuel qualifies as pipeline natural gas based on fuel sampling and analysis, on-going sampling of the fuel's sulfur content is required annually and whenever the fuel supply source changes. For the purposes of this paragraph (e), sampling ''annually'' means that at least one sample is taken in each calendar year. If the results of at least 100 daily (or more frequent) total sulfur samples have been provided by the fuel supplier since the last annual assessment of the fuel's sulfur content, the data may be used as follows to satisfy the annual sampling requirement for the current year. If this option is chosen, all of the data provided by the fuel supplier shall be used. First, convert the data to monthly averages. Then, if, for each month, the average total sulfur content is 0.5 grains/100 scf or less, and if the GCV or percent methane requirement is also met, the fuel qualifies as pipeline natural gas. Alternatively, the fuel qualifies as pipeline natural gas if the analysis of the 100 (or more) total sulfur samples since the last annual assessment shows that ≥98 percent of the samples have a total sulfur content of 0.5 grains/100 scf or less and if the GCV or percent methane requirement is also met. The effective date of the annual total sulfur sampling requirement is January 1, 2003.

(f) On-going sampling of the GCV of the pipeline natural gas is required under section 2.3.4.1 of this appendix.

(g) For units that are required to monitor and report $NO_X$ mass emissions and heat input under subpart H of this part, but which are not affected units under the Acid Rain Program, the owner or operator is exempted from the requirements in paragraphs (a) and (e) of this section to document the total sulfur content of the pipeline natural gas.

### 2.3.2 Natural Gas Combustion

The owner or operator may determine the $SO_2$ mass emissions from the combustion of a fuel that meets the definition of natural gas, in § 72.2 of this chapter, using the procedures of this section.

2.3.2.1 $SO_2$ Emission Rate

The owner or operator may account for $SO_2$ emissions either by using a default $SO_2$ emission rate, as determined under section 2.3.2.1.1 of this appendix, or by daily sampling of the gas sulfur content using the procedures of section 2.3.3 of this appendix. For each affected unit using a default $SO_2$ emission rate, the owner or operator must provide documentation that the fuel combusted is actually natural gas according to the procedures in section 2.3.2.4 of this appendix.

2.3.2.1.1 In lieu of daily sampling of the sulfur content of the natural gas, the owner or operator may either use the total sulfur content specified in a contract or tariff sheet as the $SO_2$ default emission rate or may calculate the default $SO_2$ emission rate based on fuel sampling results, using Equation D–1h. In Equation D–1h, the total sulfur content and GCV values shall be determined in accordance with Table D–5 of this appendix. Round off the calculated $SO_2$ default emission rate to the nearest 0.0001 lb/mmBtu.

$$ER = \left[\frac{2.0}{7000}\right] \times \left[10^6\right] \times \left[\frac{S_{total}}{GCV}\right] \qquad \text{(Eq. D-1h)}$$

Where:

ER = Default $SO_2$ emission rate for natural gas combustion, lb/mmBtu.

$S_{total}$ = Total sulfur content of the natural gas, gr/100scf.

GCV = Gross calorific value of the natural gas, Btu/100scf.

7000 = Conversion of grains/100scf to lb/100scf.

2.0 = Ratio of lb $SO_2$/lb S.

$10^6$ = Conversion factor (Btu/mmBtu).

2.3.2.1.2 [Reserved]

2.3.2.2 Hourly Heat Input Rate

Calculate hourly heat input rate for natural gas combustion, in mmBtu/hr, using the procedures in section 3.4.1 of this appendix. Use the measured fuel flow rate from section 2.1 of this appendix and the gross calorific value from section 2.3.4.2 of this appendix in the calculations.

2.3.2.3 $SO_2$ Mass Emission Rate and Hourly Mass Emissions

For natural gas combustion, calculate the $SO_2$ mass emission rate, in lb/hr, using Equation D–5 in section 3.3.2 of this appendix, when the default $SO_2$ emission rate is used. Then, use the calculated $SO_2$ mass emission rate and the unit operating time to determine the hourly $SO_2$ mass emissions from natural gas combustion, in lb, using Equation D–12 in section 3.5.1 of this appendix.

2.3.2.4 Documentation that a Fuel Is Natural Gas

(a) A fuel may initially qualify as natural gas, if information is provided in the monitoring plan required under §75.53, demonstrating that the definition of natural gas in §72.2 of this chapter has been met. The information must demonstrate that the fuel meets either the percent methane or GCV requirement and has a total sulfur content of 20.0 grains/100 scf or less. This demonstration must be made using one of the following sources of information:

(1) The gas quality characteristics specified by a purchase contract, tariff sheet, or by a transportation contract; or

(2) Historical fuel sampling data for the previous 12 months, documenting the total sulfur content of the fuel and the GCV and/or percentage by volume of methane. The results of all sample analyses obtained by or provided to the owner or operator in the previous 12 months shall be used in the demonstration, and each sample result must meet the definition of natural gas in §72.2 of this chapter; or

(3) If the requirements of paragraphs (a)(1) and (a)(2) of this section cannot be met, a fuel may initially qualify as natural gas if at least one representative sample of the fuel is obtained and analyzed for total sulfur content and for either the gross calorific value (GCV) or percent methane, and the results of the sample analysis show that the fuel meets the definition of natural gas in §72.2 of this chapter. Use the sampling methods specified in sections 2.3.3.1.2 and 2.3.4 of this appendix. The required fuel sample may be obtained and analyzed by the owner or operator, by an independent laboratory, or by the fuel supplier. If multiple samples are taken, each sample must meet the definition of natural gas in §72.2 of this chapter.

(b) If the results of the fuel sampling under paragraph (a)(2) or (a)(3) of this section show that the fuel does not meet the definition of natural gas in §72.2 of this chapter, but those results are believed to be anomalous, the owner or operator may document the reasons for believing this in the monitoring plan for the unit, and may immediately perform additional sampling. In such cases, a minimum of three additional samples must be obtained and analyzed, and the results of each sample analysis must meet the definition of natural gas.

(c) If several affected units are supplied by a common source of gaseous fuel, a single sampling result may be applied to all of the units and it is not necessary to obtain a separate sample for each unit, provided that the composition of the fuel is not altered by blending or mixing it with other gaseous fuel(s) when it is transported from the sampling location to the affected units. For the purposes of this paragraph, the term ''other gaseous fuel(s)'' excludes compounds such as mercaptans when they are added in trace quantities for safety reasons.

(d) If the results of fuel sampling and analysis under paragraph (a)(2), (a)(3), or (b) of this section show that the fuel does not qualify as natural gas, the owner or operator shall re-classify the fuel as ''other gaseous fuel'' and shall implement the procedures of section 2.3.3 of this appendix, within 180 days of the end of the quarter in which the disqualifying sample was taken. In addition, the owner or operator shall use Equation D–1h in this appendix to calculate a default $SO_2$ emission rate for the fuel, based on the results of the sample analysis that exceeded 20 grains/100 scf of total sulfur, and shall use that default emission rate to report $SO_2$ mass emissions under this part until section 2.3.3 of this appendix has been fully implemented.

(e) If a fuel qualifies as natural gas based on the specifications in a fuel contract or tariff sheet, no additional, on-going sampling of the fuel's total sulfur content is required, provided that the contract or tariff sheet is current, valid and representative of the fuel combusted in the unit. If the fuel qualifies as natural gas based on fuel sampling and analysis, the owner or operator shall sample the fuel for total sulfur content at least annually and when the fuel supply source changes. For the purposes of this paragraph, (e), sampling ''annually'' means that at least one sample is taken in each calendar year. The effective date of the annual total sulfur sampling requirement is January 1, 2003.

(f) On-going sampling of the GCV of the natural gas is required under section 2.3.4.2 of this appendix.

(g) For units that are required to monitor and report $NO_X$ mass emissions and heat input under subpart H of this part, but which are not affected units under the Acid Rain Program, the owner or operator is exempted from the requirements in paragraphs (a) and (e) of this section to document the total sulfur content of the natural gas.

### 2.3.3 $SO_2$ Mass Emissions From Any Gaseous Fuel

The owner or operator of a unit may determine $SO_2$ mass emissions using this section for any gaseous fuel (including fuels such as refinery gas, landfill gas, digester gas, coke oven gas, blast furnace gas, coal-derived gas, producer gas or any other gas which may have a variable sulfur content).

#### 2.3.3.1 Sulfur Content Determination

2.3.3.1.1 Analyze the total sulfur content of the gaseous fuel in grains/100 scf, at the frequency specified in Table D–5 of this appendix. That is: for fuel delivered in discrete shipments or lots, sample each shipment or lot. For fuel transmitted by pipeline, sample hourly unless a demonstration is provided under section 2.3.6 of this appendix showing that the gaseous fuel qualifies for less frequent (*i.e.*, daily or annual) sampling. If daily sampling is required, determine the sulfur content using either manual sampling or a gas chromatograph. If hourly sampling is required, determine the sulfur content using a gas chromatograph. For units that are required to monitor and report $NO_X$ mass emissions and heat input under subpart H of this part, but which are not affected units under the Acid Rain Program, the owner or operator is exempted from the requirements of this section to document the total sulfur content of the gaseous fuel.

2.3.3.1.2 Use one of the following methods when using manual sampling (as applicable to the type of gas combusted) to determine the sulfur content of the fuel: ASTM D1072–06, Standard Test Method for Total Sulfur in Fuel Gases by Combustion and Barium Chloride Titration, ASTM D4468–85 (Reapproved 2006), Standard Test Method for Total Sulfur in Gaseous Fuels by Hydrogenolysis and Rateometric Colorimetry, ASTM D5504–01, Standard Test Method for Determination of Sulfur Compounds in Natural Gas and Gaseous Fuels by Gas Chromatography and Chemiluminescence, ASTM D6667–04, Standard Test Method for Determination of Total Volatile Sulfur in Gaseous Hydrocarbons and Liquefied Petroleum Gases by Ultraviolet Fluorescence, or ASTM D3246–96, Standard Test Method for Sulfur in Petroleum Gas by Oxidative Microcoulometry, (all incorporated by reference under §75.6 of this part). Alternatively, the gas samples may be analyzed for percent sulfur by any consensus standard method prescribed for the affected unit under part 60 of this chapter.

2.3.3.1.3 The sampling and analysis of daily manual samples may be performed by the owner or operator, an outside laboratory, or the gas supplier. If hourly sampling with a gas chromatograph is required, or a source chooses to use an online gas chromatograph to determine daily fuel sulfur content, the owner or operator shall develop and implement a program to quality assure the data from the gas chromatograph, in accordance with the manufacturer's recommended procedures. The quality assurance procedures shall be kept on-site, in a form suitable for inspection.

2.3.3.1.4 Results of all sample analyses must be available no later than thirty calendar days after the sample is taken.

2.3.3.2 $SO_2$ Mass Emission Rate

Calculate the $SO_2$ mass emission rate for the gaseous fuel, in lb/hr, using Equation D–4 or D–5 (as applicable) in section 3.3.1 of this appendix. Equation D–5 may only be used if a demonstration is performed under section 2.3.6 of this appendix, showing that the fuel qualifies to use a default $SO_2$ emission rate to account for $SO_2$ mass emissions under this part. Use the appropriate sulfur content or default $SO_2$ emission rate in Equation D–4 or D–5, as specified in Table D–5 of this appendix. If the fuel qualifies to use Equation D–5, the default $SO_2$ emission rate shall be calculated using Equation D–1h in section 2.3.2.1.1 of this appendix, replacing the words ''natural gas'' in the equation nomenclature with the words, ''gaseous fuel''. In all cases, for reporting purposes, apply the results of the required periodic total sulfur samples in accordance with the provisions of section 2.3.7 of this appendix.

2.3.3.3 Hourly Heat Input Rate

Calculate the hourly heat input rate for combustion of the gaseous fuel, using the provisions in section 3.4.1 of this appendix. Use the measured fuel flow rate from section 2.1 of this appendix and the gross calorific value from section 2.3.4.3 of this appendix in the calculations.

2.3.4 Gross Calorific Values for Gaseous Fuels

Determine the GCV of each gaseous fuel at the frequency specified in this section, using one of the following methods: ASTM D1826–94 (Reapproved 1998), ASTM D3588–98, ASTM D4891–89 (Reapproved 2006), GPA Standard 2172–96, Calculation of Gross Heating Value, Relative Density and Compressibility Factor for Natural Gas Mixtures from Compositional Analysis, or GPA Standard 2261–00, Analysis for Natural Gas and Similar Gaseous Mixtures by Gas Chromatography (all incorporated by reference under §75.6 of this part). Use the appropriate GCV value, as specified in section 2.3.4.1, 2.3.4.2, or 2.3.4.3 of this appendix, in the calculation of unit hourly heat input rates. Alternatively, the gas samples may be analyzed for heat content by any consensus standard method prescribed for the affected unit under part 60 of this chapter.

2.3.4.1 GCV of Pipeline Natural Gas

Determine the GCV of fuel that is pipeline natural gas, as defined in §72.2 of this chapter, at least once per calendar month. For GCV used in calculations use the specifications in Table D–5: either the value from the most recent monthly sample, the highest value specified in a contract or tariff sheet, or the highest value from the previous year. The fuel GCV value from the most recent monthly sample shall be used for any month in which that value is higher than a contract limit. If a unit combusts pipeline natural gas for less than 48 hours during a calendar month, the sampling and analysis requirement for GCV is waived for that calendar month. The preceding waiver is limited by the condition that at least one analysis for GCV must be performed for each quarter the unit operates for any amount of time. If multiple GCV samples are taken and analyzed in a particular month, the GCV values from all samples shall be averaged arithmetically to obtain the monthly GCV. Then, apply the monthly average GCV value as described in paragraph (c) in section 2.3.7 of this appendix.

2.3.4.2 GCV of Natural Gas

Determine the GCV of fuel that is natural gas, as defined in §72.2 of this chapter, on a monthly basis, in the same manner as described for pipeline natural gas in section 2.3.4.1 of this appendix.

2.3.4.3 GCV of Other Gaseous Fuels

For gaseous fuels other than natural gas or pipeline natural gas, determine the GCV as specified in section 2.3.4.3.1, 2.3.4.3.2 or 2.3.4.3.3, as applicable. For reporting purposes, apply the results of the required periodic GCV samples in accordance with the provisions of section 2.3.7 of this appendix.

2.3.4.3.1 For a gaseous fuel that is delivered in discrete shipments or lots, determine the GCV for each shipment or lot. The determination may be made by sampling each delivery or by sampling the supply tank after each delivery. For sampling of each delivery, use the highest GCV in the previous year's samples. For sampling from the tank after each delivery, use either the most recent GCV sample, the maximum GCV specified in the fuel contract or tariff sheet, or the highest GCV from the previous year's samples.

2.3.4.3.2 For any gaseous fuel that does not qualify as pipeline natural gas or natural gas, which is not delivered in shipments or lots, and for which the owner or operator performs the 720 hour test under section 2.3.5 of this appendix, if the results of the test demonstrate that the gaseous fuel has a low GCV variability, determine the GCV at least monthly (as described in section 2.3.4.1 of this appendix). In calculations of hourly heat input for a unit, use either the most recent monthly sample, the maximum GCV specified in the fuel contract or tariff sheet, or the highest fuel GCV from the previous year's samples.

2.3.4.3.3 For any other gaseous fuel, determine the GCV at least daily and use the actual fuel GCV in calculations of unit hourly

heat input. If an online gas chromatograph or on-line calorimeter is used to determine fuel GCV each day, the owner or operator shall develop and implement a program to quality assure the data from the gas chromatograph or on-line calorimeter, in accordance with the manufacturer's recommended procedures. The quality assurance procedures shall be kept on-site, in a form suitable for inspection.

2.3.5 Demonstration of Fuel GCV Variability

(a) This optional demonstration may be made for any fuel which does not qualify as pipeline natural gas or natural gas, and is not delivered only in shipments or lots. The demonstration data may be used to show that monthly sampling of the GCV of the gaseous fuel or blend is sufficient, in lieu of daily GCV sampling.

(b) To make this demonstration, proceed as follows. Provide a minimum of 720 hours of data, indicating the GCV of the gaseous fuel or blend (in Btu/100 scf). The demonstration data shall be obtained using either: hourly sampling and analysis using the methods in section 2.3.4 to determine GCV of the fuel; an on-line gas chromatograph capable of determining fuel GCV on an hourly basis; or an on-line calorimeter. For gaseous fuel produced by a variable process, the data shall be representative of and include all process operating conditions including seasonal and yearly variations in process which may affect fuel GCV.

(c) The data shall be reduced to hourly averages. The mean GCV value and the standard deviation from the mean shall be calculated from the hourly averages. Specifically, the gaseous fuel is considered to have a low GCV variability, and monthly gas sampling for GCV may be used, if the mean value of the GCV multiplied by 1.075 is greater than the sum of the mean value and one standard deviation. If the gaseous fuel or blend does not meet this requirement, then daily fuel sampling and analysis for GCV, using manual sampling, a gas chromatograph or an on-line calorimeter is required.

2.3.6 Demonstration of Fuel Sulfur Variability

(a) This demonstration may be made for any fuel which does not qualify as pipeline natural gas or natural gas, and is not delivered only in shipments or lots. The results of the demonstration may be used to show that daily sampling for sulfur in the fuel is sufficient, rather than hourly sampling. The procedures in this section may also be used to demonstrate that a particular gaseous fuel qualifies to use a default $SO_2$ emission rate (calculated using Equation D–1h in section 2.3.2.1.1 of this appendix) for the purpose of reporting hourly $SO_2$ mass emissions under this part. To make this demonstration, proceed as follows. Provide a minimum of 720 hours of data, indicating the total sulfur content of the gaseous fuel (in gr/100 scf). The demonstration data shall be obtained using either manual hourly sampling or an on-line gas chromatograph (GC) capable of determining fuel total sulfur content on an hourly basis. For gaseous fuel produced by a variable process, the data shall be representative of all process operating conditions including seasonal or annual variations which may affect fuel sulfur content.

(b) If the data are collected with an on-line GC, reduce the data to hourly average values of the total sulfur content of the fuel. If manual hourly sampling is used, the results of each hourly sample analysis shall be the total sulfur value for that hour. Express all hourly average values of total sulfur content in units of grains/100 scf. Use all of the hourly average values of total sulfur content in grains/100 scf to calculate the mean value and the standard deviation. Also determine the 90th percentile and maximum hourly values of the total sulfur content for the data set. If the standard deviation of the hourly values from the mean does not exceed 5.0 grains/100 scf, the fuel has a low sulfur variability. If the standard deviation exceeds 5.0 grains/100 scf, the fuel has a high sulfur variability. Based on the results of this determination, establish the required sampling frequency and $SO_2$ mass emissions methodology for the gaseous fuel, as follows:

(1) If the gaseous fuel has a low sulfur variability (irrespective of the total sulfur content), the owner or operator may either perform daily sampling of the fuel's total sulfur content using manual sampling or a GC, or may report hourly $SO_2$ mass emissions data using a default $SO_2$ emission rate calculated by substituting the 90th percentile value of the total sulfur content in Equation D–1h.

(2) If the gaseous fuel has a high sulfur variability, but the maximum hourly value of the total sulfur content does not exceed 20 grains/100 scf, the owner or operator may either perform hourly sampling of the fuel's total sulfur content using an on-line GC, or may report hourly $SO_2$ mass emissions data using a default $SO_2$ emission rate calculated by substituting the maximum value of the total sulfur content in Equation D–1h.

(3) If the gaseous fuel has a high sulfur variability and the maximum hourly value of the total sulfur content exceeds 20 grains/100 scf, the owner or operator shall perform hourly sampling of the fuel's total sulfur content, using an on-line GC.

(4) Any gaseous fuel under paragraph (b)(1) or (b)(2) of this section, for which the owner or operator elects to use a default $SO_2$ emission rate for reporting purposes is subject to the annual total sulfur sampling requirement under section 2.3.2.4(e) of this appendix.

2.3.7 Application of Fuel Sampling Results

For reporting purposes, apply the results of the required periodic fuel samples described in Tables D–4 and D–5 of this appendix as follows. Use Equation D–1h to recalculate the $SO_2$ emission rate, as necessary.

(a) For daily samples of total sulfur content or GCV:

(1) If the actual value is to be used in the calculations, apply the results of each daily sample to all hours in the day on which the sample is taken; or

(2) If the highest value in the previous 30 daily samples is to be used in the calculations, apply that value to all hours in the current day. If, for a particular unit, fewer than 30 daily samples have been collected, use the highest value from all available samples until 30 days of historical sampling results have been obtained.

(b) For annual samples of total sulfur content:

(1) For pipeline natural gas, use the results of annual sample analyses in the calculations only if the results exceed 0.5 grains/100 scf. In that case, if the fuel still qualifies as natural gas, follow the procedures in paragraph (b)(2) of this section. If the fuel does not qualify as natural gas, the owner or operator shall implement the procedures in section 2.3.3 of this appendix, in the time frame specified in sections 2.3.1.4(d) and 2.3.2.4(d) of this appendix;

(2) For natural gas, if only one sample is taken, apply the results beginning at the date on which the sample was taken. If multiple samples are taken and averaged, apply the results beginning at the date on which the last sample used in the annual assessment was taken;

(3) For other gaseous fuels with an annual sampling requirement under section 2.3.6(b)(4) of this appendix, use the sample results in the calculations only if the results exceed the 90th percentile value or maximum value (as applicable) from the 720-hour demonstration of fuel sulfur content and variability under section 2.3.6 of this appendix.

(c) For monthly samples of the fuel GCV:

(1) If the actual monthly value is to be used in the calculations and only one sample is taken, apply the results starting from the date on which the sample was taken. If multiple samples are taken and averaged, apply the monthly average GCV value to the entire month; or

(2) If an assumed value (contract maximum or highest value from previous year's samples) is to be used in the calculations, apply the assumed value to all hours in each month of the quarter unless a higher value is obtained in a monthly GCV sample (or, if multiple samples are taken and averaged, if the monthly average exceeds the assumed value). In that case, if only one monthly sample is taken, use the sampled value, starting from the date on which the sample was taken. If multiple samples are taken and averaged, use the average value for the entire month in which the assumed value was exceeded. Consider the sample (or, if applicable, monthly average) results to be the new assumed value. Continue using the new assumed value unless and until one of the following occurs (as applicable to the reporting option selected): The assumed value is superseded by a higher value from a subsequent monthly sample (or by a higher monthly average); or the assumed value is superseded by a new contract in which case the new contract value becomes the assumed value at the time the fuel specified under the new contract begins to be combusted in the unit; or both the calendar year in which the new sampled value (or monthly average) exceeded the assumed value and the subsequent calendar year have elapsed.

(d) For samples of gaseous fuel delivered in shipments or lots:

(1) If the actual value for the most recent shipment is to be used in the calculations, apply the results of the most recent sample, from the date on which the sample was taken until the date on which the next sample is taken; or

(2) If an assumed value (contract maximum or highest value from previous year's samples) is to be used in the calculations, apply the assumed value unless a higher value is obtained in a sample of a shipment. In that case, use the sampled value, starting from the date on which the sample was taken. Consider the sample results to be the new assumed value. Continue using the new assumed value unless and until: it is superseded by a higher value from a sample of a subsequent shipment; or (if applicable) it is superseded by a new contract in which case the new contract value becomes the assumed value at the time the fuel specified under the new contract begins to be combusted in the unit; or (if applicable) both the calendar year in which the sampled value exceeded the assumed value and the subsequent calendar year have elapsed.

(e) When the owner or operator elects to use assumed values in the calculations, the results of periodic samples of sulfur content and GCV which show that the assumed value has not been exceeded need not be reported. Keep these sample results on file, in a format suitable for inspection.

(f) Notwithstanding the requirements of paragraphs (b) through (d) of this section, in cases where the sample results are provided to the owner or operator by the supplier of the fuel, the owner or operator shall begin using the sampling results on the date of receipt of those results, rather than on the date that the sample was taken.

*2.4 Missing Data Procedures.*

When data from the procedures of this part are not available, provide substitute data using the following procedures.

2.4.1 Missing Data for Oil and Gas Samples

When fuel sulfur content, gross calorific value or, when necessary, density data are missing or invalid for an oil or gas sample taken according to the procedures in section 2.2.3, 2.2.4.1, 2.2.4.2, 2.2.4.3, 2.2.5, 2.2.6, 2.2.7, 2.3.3.1.2, or 2.3.4 of this appendix, then substitute the maximum potential sulfur content, density, or gross calorific value of that fuel from Table D–6 of this appendix. Except for the annual samples of fuel sulfur content required under sections 2.3.1.4(e), 2.3.2.4(e) and 2.3.6(b)(5) of this appendix, the missing data values in Table D–6 shall be reported whenever the results of a required sample of sulfur content, GCV or density is missing or invalid in the current calendar year, irrespective of which reporting option is selected (i.e., actual value, contract value or highest value from the previous year). For the annual samples of fuel sulfur content required under sections 2.3.1.4(e), 2.3.2.4(e) and 2.3.6(b)(5) of this appendix, if a valid annual sample has not been obtained by the end of a particular calendar year, the appropriate missing data value in Table D–6 shall be reported, beginning with the first unit operating hour in the next calendar year. The substitute data value(s) shall be used until the next valid sample for the missing parameter(s) is obtained. Note that only actual sample results shall be used to determine the "highest value from the previous year" when that reporting option is used; missing data values shall not be used in the determination.

TABLE D-6. -- MISSING DATA SUBSTITUTION PROCEDURES FOR SULFUR, DENSITY, AND GROSS CALORIFIC VALUE DATA

| Parameter | Missing data substitution maximum potential value |
|---|---|
| Oil Sulfur Content | 3.5 percent for residual oil, or<br>1.0 percent for diesel fuel. |
| Oil Density | 8.5 lb/gal for residual oil, or<br>7.4 lb/gal for diesel fuel. |
| Oil GCV | 19,500 Btu/lb for residual oil, or 20,000 Btu/lb for diesel fuel. |
| Gas Total Sulfur Content | 1. For pipeline natural gas, where annual sampling is required, substitute 0.002 lb/mmBtu for each hour of the missing data period.<br>2. For natural gas (or other gaseous fuel that qualifies to use a default $SO_2$ emission rate under section 2.3.6 of this appendix), where annual sampling is required, substitute 1.5 times the default $SO_2$ emission rate in use at the time of the missing data period.<br>3. For any gaseous fuel sampled daily, 1.5 times the highest total sulfur content value from the previous 30 days on which valid samples were obtained.<br>4. For any gaseous fuel sampled hourly, the highest total sulfur content value from the previous 720 hourly samples. |
| Gas GCV/Heat Content | 110,000 Btu/100 scf for pipeline natural gas, natural gas or landfill gas.<br>150,000 Btu/100 scf for butane or refinery gas.<br>210,000 Btu/100 scf for propane or any other gaseous fuel. |

2.4.2 Missing Data Procedures for Fuel Flow Rate

Whenever data are missing from any primary fuel flowmeter system (as defined in §72.2 of this chapter) and there is no backup system available to record the fuel flow rate, use the procedures in sections 2.4.2.2 and 2.4.2.3 of this appendix to account for the flow rate of fuel combusted at the unit for each hour during the missing data period. Alternatively, for a fuel flowmeter system used to measure the fuel combusted by a

peaking unit, the simplified fuel flow missing data procedure in section 2.4.2.1 of this appendix may be used. Before using the procedures in sections 2.4.2.2 and 2.4.2.3 of this appendix, establish load ranges for the unit using the procedures of section 2 in appendix C to this part, except for units that do not produce electrical output (i.e., megawatts) or thermal output (e.g., klb of steam per hour). The owner or operator of a unit that does not produce electrical or thermal output shall either perform missing data substitution without segregating the fuel flow rate data into bins, or may petition the Administrator under §75.66 for permission to segregate the data into operational bins. When load ranges are used for fuel flow rate missing data purposes, separate, fuel-specific databases shall be created and maintained. A database shall be kept for each type of fuel combusted in the unit, for the hours in which the fuel is combusted alone in the unit. An additional database shall be kept for each type of fuel, for the hours in which it is co-fired with any other type(s) of fuel(s).

2.4.2.1 Simplified Fuel Flow Rate Missing Data Procedure for Peaking Units

If no fuel flow rate data are available for a fuel flowmeter system installed on a peaking unit (as defined in §72.2 of this chapter), then substitute for each hour of missing data using the maximum potential fuel flow rate. The maximum potential fuel flow rate is the lesser of the following:

(a) The maximum fuel flow rate the unit is capable of combusting or

(b) The maximum flow rate that the fuel flowmeter can measure (i.e., the upper range value of the flowmeter).

2.4.2.2 Standard Missing Data Procedures—Single Fuel Hours

For missing data periods that occur when only one type of fuel is being combusted, provide substitute data for each hour in the missing data period as follows.

2.4.2.2.1 If load-based missing data procedures are used, substitute the arithmetic average of the hourly fuel flow rate(s) measured and recorded by a certified fuel flowmeter system at the corresponding operating unit load range during the previous 720 operating hours in which the unit combusted only that same fuel. If no fuel flow rate data are available at the corresponding load range, use data from the next higher load range, if such data are available. If no quality-assured fuel flow rate data are available at either the corresponding load range or a higher load range, substitute the maximum potential fuel flow rate (as defined in section 2.4.2.1 of this appendix) for each hour of the missing data period.

2.4.2.2.2 For units that do not produce electrical or thermal output and therefore cannot use load-based missing data procedures, provide substitute data for each hour of the missing data period as follows. Substitute the arithmetic average of the hourly fuel flow rates measured and recorded by a certified fuel flowmeter system during the previous 720 operating hours in which the unit combusted only that same fuel. If no quality-assured fuel flow rate data are available, substitute the maximum potential fuel flow rate (as defined in section 2.4.2.1 of this appendix) for each hour of the missing data period.

2.4.2.3 Standard Missing Data Procedures—Multiple Fuel Hours

For missing data periods that occur when two or more different types of fuel are being co-fired, provide substitute fuel flow rate data for each hour of the missing data period as follows.

2.4.2.3.1 If load-based missing data procedures are used, substitute the maximum hourly fuel flow rate measured and recorded by a certified fuel flowmeter system at the corresponding load range during the previous 720 operating hours when the fuel for which the flow rate data are missing was co-fired with any other type of fuel. If no such quality-assured fuel flow rate data are available at the corresponding load range, use data from the next higher load range (if available). If no quality-assured fuel flow rate data are available for co-fired hours, either at the corresponding load range or a higher load range, substitute the maximum potential fuel flow rate (as defined in section 2.4.2.1 of this appendix) for each hour of the missing data period.

2.4.2.3.2 For units that do not produce electrical or thermal output and therefore cannot use load-based missing data procedures, provide substitute fuel flow rate data for each hour of the missing data period as follows. Substitute the maximum hourly fuel flow rate measured and recorded by a certified fuel flowmeter system during the previous 720 operating hours in which the fuel for which the flow rate data are missing was co-fired with any other type of fuel. If no quality-assured fuel flow rate data for co-fired hours are available, substitute the maximum potential fuel flow rate (as defined in section 2.4.2.1 of this appendix) for each hour of the missing data period.

2.4.2.3.3 If, during an hour in which different types of fuel are co-fired, quality-assured fuel flow rate data are missing for two or more of the fuels being combusted, apply the procedures in section 2.4.2.3.1 or 2.4.2.3.2 of this appendix (as applicable) separately for each type of fuel.

2.4.2.3.4 If the missing data substitution required in section 2.4.2.3.1 or 2.4.2.3.2 causes the reported hourly heat input rate based on the combined fuel usage to exceed the maximum rated hourly heat input of the unit,

adjust the substitute fuel flow rate value(s) so that the reported heat input rate equals the unit's maximum rated hourly heat input. Manual entry of the adjusted substitute data values is permitted.

2.4.3. In any case where the missing data provisions of this section require substitution of data measured and recorded more than three years (26,280 clock hours) prior to the date and time of the missing data period, use three years (26,280 clock hours) in place of the prescribed lookback period. In addition, for a new or newly-affected unit, until 720 hours of quality-assured fuel flowmeter data are available for the lookback periods described in sections 2.4.2.2 and 2.4.2.3 of this appendix, use all of the available fuel flowmeter data to determine the appropriate substitute data values.

## 3. CALCULATIONS

Calculate hourly $SO_2$ mass emission rate from combustion of oil fuel using the procedures in section 3.1 of this appendix. Calculate hourly $SO_2$ mass emission rate from combustion of gaseous fuel using the procedures in section 3.3 of this appendix. (Note: the $SO_2$ mass emission rates in sections 3.1 and 3.3 are calculated such that the rate, when multiplied by unit operating time, yields the hourly $SO_2$ mass emissions for a particular fuel for the unit.) Calculate hourly heat input rate for both oil and gaseous fuels using the procedures in section 3.4 of this appendix. Calculate total $SO_2$ mass emissions and heat input for each hour, each quarter and the year to date using the procedures under section 3.5 of this appendix. Where an oil flowmeter records volumetric flow rate, use the calculation procedures in section 3.2 of this appendix to calculate the mass flow rate of oil.

### *3.1 $SO_2$ Mass Emission Rate Calculation for Oil*

3.1.1 Use Equation D–2 to calculate $SO_2$ mass emission rate per hour (lb/hr):

$$SO2_{rate\text{-}oil} = 2.0 \times OIL_{rate} \times \frac{\%S_{oil}}{100.0} \qquad \text{(Eq. D-2)}$$

Where:

$SO_{2rate\text{-}oil}$ = Hourly mass emission rate of $SO_2$ emitted from combustion of oil, lb/hr.

$OIL_{rate}$ = Mass rate of oil consumed per hr during combustion, lb/hr.

$\%S_{oil}$ = Percentage of sulfur by weight in the oil.

2.0 = Ratio of lb $SO_2$/lb S.

3.1.2 Record the $SO_2$ mass emission rate from oil for each hour that oil is combusted.

### 3.2 Mass Flow Rate Calculation for Volumetric Oil Flowmeters

3.2.1 Where the oil flowmeter records volumetric flow rate rather than mass flow rate, calculate and record the oil mass flow rate for each hourly period using hourly oil flow rate measurements and the density or specific gravity of the oil sample.

3.2.2 Convert density, specific gravity, or API gravity of the oil sample to density of the oil sample at the sampling location's temperature using ASTM D1250–07, Standard Guide for Use of the Petroleum Measurement Tables (incorporated by reference under (§75.6 of this part).

3.2.3 Where density of the oil is determined by the applicable ASTM procedures from section 2.2.6 of this appendix, use Equation D–3 to calculate the rate of the mass of oil consumed (in lb/hr):

$$OIL_{rate} = V_{oil\text{-}rate} \times D_{oil} \qquad \text{(Eq. D-3)}$$

Where:

$OIL_{rate}$ = Mass rate of oil consumed per hr, lb/hr.

$V_{oil\text{-}rate}$ = Volume rate of oil consumed per hr, measured in scf/hr, gal/hr, barrels/hr, or $m^3$/hr.

$D_{oil}$ = Density of oil, measured in lb/scf, lb/gal, lb/barrel, or lb/$m^3$.

### *3.3 $SO_2$ Mass Emission Rate Calculation for Gaseous Fuels*

3.3.1 Use Equation D–4 to calculate the $SO_2$ mass emission rate when using the optional gas sampling and analysis procedures in sections 2.3.1 and 2.3.2 of this appendix, or the required gas sampling and analysis procedures in section 2.3.3 of this appendix. Total sulfur content of a fuel must be determined using the procedures of 2.3.3.1.2 of this appendix:

$$SO_{2_{rate\text{-}gas}} = \left(\frac{2.0}{7000}\right) \times GAS_{rate} \times S_{gas} \qquad \text{(Eq. D-4)}$$

Where:

SO2rate-gas = Hourly mass rate of $SO_2$ emitted due to combustion of gaseous fuel, lb/hr.

GASrate = Hourly metered flow rate of gaseous fuel combusted, 100 scf/hr.

Sgas = Sulfur content of gaseous fuel, in grain/100 scf.

2.0 = Ratio of lb $SO_2$/lb S.

7000 = Conversion of grains/100 scf to lb/100 scf.

3.3.2 Use Equation D–5 to calculate the $SO_2$ mass emission rate when using a default emission rate from section 2.3.1.1 or 2.3.2.1.1 of this appendix:

$$SO2_{rate} = ER \times HI_{rate} \qquad \text{(Eq. D-5)}$$

where:

$SO_2$rate = Hourly mass emission rate of $SO_2$ from combustion of a gaseous fuel, lb/hr.

ER = $SO_2$ emission rate from section 2.3.1.1 or 2.3.2.1.1, of this appendix, lb/mmBtu.

$HI_{rate}$ = Hourly heat input rate of a gaseous fuel, calculated using procedures in section 3.4.1 of this appendix, in mmBtu/hr.

3.3.3 Record the $SO_2$ mass emission rate for each hour when the unit combusts a gaseous fuel.

*3.4 Calculation of Heat Input Rate*

3.4.1 Heat Input Rate for Gaseous Fuels

(a) Determine total hourly gas flow or average hourly gas flow rate with a fuel flowmeter in accordance with the requirements of section 2.1 of this appendix and the fuel GCV in accordance with the requirements of section 2.3.4 of this appendix. If necessary perform the 720-hour test under section 2.3.5 to determine the appropriate fuel GCV sampling frequency.

(b) Then, use Equation D–6 to calculate heat input rate from gaseous fuels for each hour.

$$HI_{rate\text{-}gas} = \frac{GAS_{rate} \times GCV_{gas}}{10^6} \qquad \text{(Eq. D-6)}$$

Where:

$HI_{rate\text{-}gas}$ = Hourly heat input rate from combustion of the gaseous fuel, mmBtu/hr.

$GAS_{rate}$ = Average volumetric flow rate of fuel, for the portion of the hour in which the unit operated, 100 scf/hr.

$GCV_{gas}$ = Gross calorific value of gaseous fuel, Btu/100 scf.

$10^6$ = Conversion of Btu to mmBtu.

(c) Note that when fuel flow is measured on an hourly totalized basis (e.g. a fuel flowmeter reports totalized fuel flow for each hour), before Equation D–6 can be used, the total hourly fuel usage must be converted from units of 100 scf to units of 100 scf/hr using Equation D–7:

$$GAS_{rate} = \frac{GAS_{unit}}{t} \qquad \text{(Eq. D-7)}$$

Where:

$GAS_{rate}$ = Average volumetric flow rate of fuel for the portion of the hour in which the unit operated, 100 scf/hr.

$GAS_{unit}$ = Total fuel combusted during the hour, 100 scf.

t = Unit operating time, hour or fraction of an hour (in equal increments that can range from one hundredth to one quarter of an hour, at the option of the owner or operator).

3.4.2 Heat Input Rate From the Combustion of Oil

(a) Determine total hourly oil flow or average hourly oil flow rate with a fuel flowmeter, in accordance with the requirements of section 2.1 of this appendix. Determine oil GCV according to the requirements of section 2.2 of this appendix.

Then, use Equation D–8 to calculate hourly heat input rate from oil for each hour:

$$HI_{rate\text{-}oil} = OIL_{rate} \frac{GCV_{oil}}{10^6} \qquad \text{(Eq. D-8)}$$

Where:

$HI_{rate\text{-}oil}$ = Hourly heat input rate from combustion of oil, mmBtu/hr.

$OIL_{rate}$ = Mass rate of oil consumed per hour, as determined using procedures in section 3.2.3 of this appendix, in lb/hr, tons/hr, or kg/hr.

$GCV_{oil}$ = Gross calorific value of oil, Btu/lb, Btu/ton, or Btu/kg.

$10^6$ = Conversion of Btu to mmBtu.

(b) Note that when fuel flow is measured on an hourly totalized basis (e.g., a fuel flowmeter reports totalized fuel flow for each hour), before equation D–8 can be used, the total hourly fuel usage must be converted from units of lb to units of lb/hr, using equation D–9:

$$OIL_{rate} = \frac{OIL_{unit}}{t} \qquad \text{(Eq. D-9)}$$

Where:

$OIL_{rate}$ = Average fuel flow rate for the portion of the hour which the unit operated in lb/hr.

$OIL_{unit}$ = Total fuel combusted during the hour, lb.

t = Unit operating time, hour or fraction of an hour (in equal increments that can range from one hundredth to one quarter of an hour, at the option of the owner or operator).

(c) For affected units that are not subject to an Acid Rain emissions limitation, but are regulated under a State or federal $NO_X$ mass emissions reduction program that adopts the requirements of subpart H of this part, the following alternative method may be used to determine the heat input rate from oil combustion, when the oil flowmeter measures the flow rate of oil volumetrically. In lieu of measuring the oil density and converting the volumetric oil flow rate to a mass flow rate, Equation D–8 may be applied on a volumetric basis. If this option is selected, express the terms $OIL_{rate}$ and $GCV_{oil}$ in Equation D–8 in units of volume rather than mass. For example, the units of $OIL_{rate}$ may be gal/hr and the units of $GCV_{oil}$ may be Btu/gal.

3.4.3 Apportioning Heat Input Rate to Multiple Units

(a) Use the procedure in this section to apportion hourly heat input rate to two or more units using a single fuel flowmeter which supplies fuel to the units. The designated representative may also petition the Administrator under §75.66 to use this apportionment procedure to calculate $SO_2$ and $CO_2$ mass emissions.

(b) Determine total hourly fuel flow or flow rate through the fuel flowmeter supplying gas or oil fuel to the units. Convert fuel flow rates to units of 100 scf for gaseous fuels or to lb for oil, using the procedures of this appendix. Apportion the fuel to each unit separately based on hourly output of the unit in $MW_e$ or 1000 lb of steam/hr (klb/hr) using Equation F–21a or F–21b in appendix F to this part, as applicable:

Equation D–10 [Reserved]

Equation D–11 [Reserved]

(c) Use the total apportioned fuel flow calculated from Equation F–21a or F–21b to calculate the hourly unit heat input rate, using Equations D–6 and D–7 (for gas) or Equations D–8 and D–9 (for oil).

*3.5 Conversion of Hourly Rates to Hourly, Quarterly, and Year-to-Date Totals*

3.5.1 Hourly $SO_2$ Mass Emissions from the Combustion of all Fuels. Determine the total mass emissions for each hour from the combustion of all fuels using Equation D–12 (On and after January 1, 2009, determine the total mass emission rate (in lbs/hr) for each hour from the combustion of all fuels by dividing Equation D–12 by the actual unit operating time for the hour):

$$M_{SO_2-hr} = \sum_{all-fuels} SO_{2_{rate-I}} t_i \qquad \text{(Eq. D-12)}$$

Where:

$MSO_2$-hr = Total mass of $SO_2$ emissions from all fuels combusted during the hour, lb.

$SO_2$ rate−I = $SO_2$ mass emission rate for each type of gas or oil fuel combusted during the hour, lb/hr.

ti = Time each gas or oil fuel was combusted for the hour (fuel usage time), fraction of an hour (in equal increments that can range from one hundredth to one quarter of an hour, at the option of the owner or operator).

3.5.2 Quarterly Total $SO_2$ Mass Emissions

Sum the hourly $SO_2$ mass emissions in lb as determined from Equation D–12 for all hours in a quarter using Equation D–13:

$$M_{SO2-qtr} = \frac{1}{2000} \sum_{all-hours-in-qtr} M_{SO2-hr} \qquad \text{(Eq. D-13)}$$

Where:

$M_{SO2\text{-}qtr}$ = Total mass of $SO_2$ emissions from all fuels combusted during the quarter, tons.

$M_{SO2\text{-}hr}$ = Hourly $SO_2$ mass emissions determined using Equation D–12, lb.

2000= Conversion factor from lb to tons.

3.5.3 Year to Date $SO_2$ Mass Emissions

Calculate and record $SO_2$ mass emissions in the year to date using Equation D–14:

$$M_{SO2\text{-}YTD} = \sum_{q=1}^{\text{current-quarter}} M_{SO2\text{-}qtr} \qquad \text{(Eq. D-14)}$$

Where:

$M_{SO2\text{-}YTD}$ = Total $SO_2$ mass emissions for the year to date, tons.

$M_{SO2\text{-}qtr}$ = Total $SO_2$ mass emissions for the quarter, tons.

3.5.4 Hourly Total Heat Input Rate and Heat Input from the Combustion of all Fuels

3.5.4.1 Determine the total heat input in mmBtu for each hour from the combustion of all fuels using Equation D–15:

$$HI_{hr} = \sum_{\text{all-fuels}} HI_{rate\text{-}i} t_i \qquad \text{(Eq. D-15)}$$

Where:

$HI_{hr}$ = Total heat input from all fuels combusted during the hour, mmBtu.

$HI_{rate\text{-}i}$ =Heat input rate for each type of gas or oil combusted during the hour, mmBtu/hr.

$t_i$ = Time each gas or oil fuel was combusted for the hour (fuel usage time), fraction of an hour (in equal increments that can range from one hundredth to one quarter of an hour, at the option of the owner or operator).

3.5.4.2 For reporting purposes, determine the heat input rate to each unit, in mmBtu/hr, for each hour from the combustion of all fuels using Equation D–15a:

$$HI_{rate\text{-}hr} = \frac{\sum_{\text{all-fuels}} HI_{rate\text{-}i} t_i}{t_u} \qquad \text{(Eq. D-15a)}$$

Where:

$HI_{rate\text{-}hr}$ = Total heat input rate from all fuels combusted during the hour, mmBtu/hr.

$HI_{rate\text{-}i}$ = Heat input rate for each type of gas or oil combusted during the hour, mmBtu/hr.

$t_i$ = Time each gas or oil fuel was combusted for the hour (fuel usage time), fraction of an hour (in equal increments that can range from one hundredth to one quarter of an hour, at the option of the owner or operator).

$t_u$ = Unit operating time

3.5.5 Quarterly Heat Input

Sum the hourly heat input values determined from equation D–15 for all hours in a quarter using Equation D–16:

$$HI_{qtr} = \sum_{\text{all-hours-in-qtr}} HI_{hr} \qquad \text{(Eq. D-16)}$$

Where:

HIqtr = Total heat input from all fuels combusted during the quarter, mmBtu.

HIqtr = Hourly heat input determined using Equation D–15, mmBtu.

3.5.6 Year-to-Date Heat Input

Calculate and record the total heat input in the year to date using Equation D–17.

$$HI_{YTD} = \sum_{q=1}^{\text{current-quarter}} HI_{qtr} \qquad \text{(Eq. D-17)}$$

$HI_{YTD}$ = Total heat input for the year to date, mmBtu.

$HI_{qtr}$ = Total heat input for the quarter, mmBtu.

*3.6 Records and Reports*

Calculate and record quarterly and cumulative $SO_2$ mass emissions and heat input for each calendar quarter using the procedures and equations of section 3.5 of this appendix. Calculate and record $SO_2$ emissions and heat input data using a data acquisition and handling system. Report these data in a standard electronic format specified by the Administrator.

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EDITOR'S NOTE: At 67 FR 53505, Aug. 16, 2002, section 2.4.1 Table D–6 was amended.

However, this table is a photograph and the amendments could not be incorporated.

## APPENDIX E TO PART 75—OPTIONAL $NO_X$ EMISSIONS ESTIMATION PROTOCOL FOR GAS-FIRED PEAKING UNITS AND OIL-FIRED PEAKING UNITS

### 1. APPLICABILITY

#### *1.1 Unit Operation Requirements*

This $NO_X$ emissions estimation procedure may be used in lieu of a continuous $NO_X$ emission monitoring system (lb/mmBtu) for determining the average $NO_X$ emission rate and hourly $NO_X$ rate from gas-fired peaking units and oil-fired peaking units as defined in §72.2 of this chapter. If a unit's operations exceed the levels required to be a peaking unit, the owner or operator shall install and certify a $NO_X$-diluent continuous emission monitoring system no later than December 31 of the following calendar year. If the required CEMS has not been installed and certified by that date, the owner or operator shall report the maximum potential $NO_X$ emission rate (MER) (as defined in §72.2 of this chapter) for each unit operating hour, starting with the first unit operating hour after the deadline and continuing until the CEMS has been provisionally certified. The provision of §75.12 apply to excepted monitoring systems under this appendix.

#### *1.2 Certification*

1.2.1 Pursuant to the procedures in §75.20, complete all testing requirements to certify use of this protocol in lieu of a $NO_X$ continuous emission monitoring system no later than the applicable deadline specified in §75.4. Apply to the Administrator for certification to use this method no later than 45 days after the completion of all certification testing. Whenever the monitoring method is to be changed, reapply to the Administrator for certification of the new monitoring method.

1.2.2 [Reserved]

### 2. PROCEDURE

#### *2.1 Initial Performance Testing*

Use the following procedures for: measuring $NO_X$ emission rates at heat input rate levels corresponding to different load levels; measuring heat input rate; and plotting the correlation between heat input rate and $NO_X$ emission rate, in order to determine the emission rate of the unit(s). The requirements in section 6.1.2 of appendix A to this part shall apply to any stack testing performed to obtain $O_2$ and $NO_X$ concentration measurements under this appendix, either for units using the excepted methodology in this appendix or for units using the low mass emissions excepted methodology in §75.19.

2.1.1 Load Selection

Establish at least four approximately equally spaced operating load points, ranging from the maximum operating load to the minimum operating load. Select the maximum and minimum operating load from the operating history of the unit during the most recent two years. (If projections indicate that the unit's maximum or minimum operating load during the next five years will be significantly different from the most recent two years, select the maximum and minimum operating load based on the projected dispatched load of the unit.) For new gas-fired peaking units or new oil-fired peaking units, select the maximum and minimum operating load from the expected maximum and minimum load to be dispatched to the unit in the first five calendar years of operation.

2.1.2 $NO_X$ and $O_2$ Concentration Measurements

Use the following procedures to measure $NO_X$ and $O_2$ concentration in order to determine $NO_X$ emission rate.

2.1.2.1 For boilers, select an excess $O_2$ level for each fuel (and, optionally, for each combination of fuels) to be combusted that is representative for each of the four or more load levels. If a boiler operates using a single, consistent combination of fuels only, the testing may be performed using the combination rather than each fuel. If a fuel is combusted only for the purpose of testing ignition of the burners for a period of five minutes or less per ignition test or for start-up, then the boiler $NO_X$ emission rate does not need to be tested separately for that fuel. Operate the boiler at a normal or conservatively high excess oxygen level in conjunction with these tests. Measure the $NO_X$ and $O_2$ at each load point for each fuel or consistent fuel combination (and, optionally, for each combination of fuels) to be combusted. Measure the $NO_X$ and $O_2$ concentrations according to method 7E and 3A in appendix A of part 60 of this chapter. Use a minimum of 12 sample points, located according to Method 1 in appendix A–1 to part 60 of this chapter. The designated representative for the unit may also petition the Administrator under §75.66 to use fewer sampling points. Such a petition shall include the proposed alternative sampling procedure and information demonstrating that there is no concentration stratification at the sampling location.

2.1.2.2 For stationary gas turbines, sample at a minimum of 12 points per run at each load level. Locate the sample points according to Method 1 in appendix A–1 to part 60 of this chapter. For each fuel or consistent combination of fuels (and, optionally, for each combination of fuels), measure the $NO_X$ and $O_2$ concentrations at each sampling