

FACT SHEET

Test Methods and Performance Specifications for Air Emission Sources

ACTION

- On August 21, 2020, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency issued a final rule that made routine corrections and updates to some of its emissions measurement methods that are included in various stationary source regulations and used at stationary and industrial sources.
- The revisions consist primarily of corrections of typographical and technical errors, updates to procedures, and the addition of alternative methods that the Agency has deemed acceptable to use. The final revisions apply to industries that are already subject to various testing provisions.
- The revisions improve the quality of data and give source testers the flexibility to use newly approved alternative procedures.
- Many of the revisions were brought to EPA's attention by regulated sources and end-users like environmental consultants and compliance professionals.
- EPA takes this routine step every few years to improve consistency in measurement methods and data quality.

BACKGROUND

- On December 13, 2019, the EPA published a proposed rule and received 13 relevant comment letters from the public. After considering the comments, EPA made changes to the proposed rule as appropriate to develop this final rule.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

- Interested parties can download the rule from EPA's web site on the Internet under Proposed Actions at the following address: <http://www.epa.gov/emc>.
- For further information about the rulemaking, contact Lula Melton at EPA's Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards at (919) 541-2910.