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(A) Conduct an initial inspection according to the procedures specified in §63.1282(b) to demonstrate that the closed-vent system operates with no detectable emissions. Inspection results shall be submitted with the Notification of Compliance Status Report as specified in §63.1285(d)(1) or (2).

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(i) A first attempt at repair shall be made no later than 15 calendar days after the leak is detected.

(ii) Repair shall be completed no later than 15 calendar days after the leak is detected.

(4) Delay of repair of a closed-vent system for which leaks or defects have been detected is allowed if the repair is technically infeasible without a shutdown, as defined in §63.1271, or if the owner or operator determines that emissions resulting from immediate repair would be greater than the fugitive emissions likely to result from delay of repair. Repair of such equipment shall be completed by the end of the next shutdown.

(5) Any parts of the closed-vent system or cover that are designated, as described in paragraphs (c)(5)(i) and (ii) of this section, as unsafe to inspect are exempt from the inspection requirements of paragraphs (c)(2)(i) and (ii) of this section if:

(i) The owner or operator determines that the equipment is unsafe to inspect because inspecting personnel would be exposed to an imminent or potential danger as a consequence of complying with paragraph (c)(2) (i) or (ii) of this section; and

(ii) The owner or operator has a written plan that requires inspection of the equipment as frequently as practicable during safe-to-inspect times.

(6) Any parts of the closed-vent system or cover that are designated, as described in paragraphs (c)(6)(i) and (ii) of this section, as difficult to inspect are exempt from the inspection requirements of paragraphs (c)(2)(i) and (ii) of this section if:

(i) The owner or operator determines that the equipment cannot be inspected without elevating the inspecting personnel more than 2 meters above a support surface; and

(ii) The owner or operator has a written plan that requires inspection of the equipment at least once every 5 years.

(7) Records shall be maintained as specified in §63.1284(b)(5) through (8).

(d) Control device monitoring requirements. (1) For each control device except as provided for in paragraph (d)(2) of this section, the owner or operator shall install and operate a continuous parameter monitoring system in accordance with the requirements of paragraphs (d)(3) through (9) of this section that will allow a determination
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to be made whether the control device is achieving the applicable performance requirements of §63.1281(d) or (e)(3). Owners or operators that install and operate a flare in accordance with §63.1281(d)(1)(iii) are exempt from the requirements of paragraphs (d)(4) and (5) of this section. The continuous parameter monitoring system must meet the following specifications and requirements:

(i) Each continuous parameter monitoring system shall measure data values at least once every hour and record either:

(A) Each measured data value; or

(B) Each block average value for each 1-hour period or shorter periods calculated from all measured data values during each period. If values are measured more frequently than once per minute, a single value for each minute may be used to calculate the hourly (or shorter period) block average instead of all measured values.

(ii) The monitoring system must be installed, calibrated, operated, and maintained in accordance with the manufacturer’s specifications or other written procedures that provide reasonable assurance that the monitoring equipment is operating properly.

(2) An owner or operator is exempted from the monitoring requirements specified in paragraphs (d)(3) through (9) of this section for the following types of control devices:

(i) A boiler or process heater in which all vent streams are introduced with the primary fuel or are used as the primary fuel;

(ii) A boiler or process heater with a design heat input capacity equal to or greater than 44 megawatts.

(3) The owner or operator shall install, calibrate, operate, and maintain a device equipped with a continuous recorder to measure the values of operating parameters appropriate for the control device as specified in either paragraph (d)(3)(i), (d)(3)(ii), or (d)(3)(iii) of this section.

(i) A continuous monitoring system that measures the following operating parameters as applicable:

(A) For a thermal vapor incinerator, a temperature monitoring device equipped with a continuous recorder. The temperature sensor shall be installed at a location in the combustion chamber downstream of the combustion zone.

(B) For a catalytic vapor incinerator, a temperature monitoring device equipped with a continuous recorder. The temperature sensor shall be installed in the vent stream at the nearest feasible point to the catalyst bed outlet. One temperature sensor shall be installed in the vent stream at the nearest feasible point to the catalyst bed inlet and a second temperature sensor shall be installed in the vent stream at the nearest feasible point to the catalyst bed outlet.

(C) For a flare, a heat sensing monitoring device equipped with a continuous recorder that indicates the continuous ignition of the pilot flame.

(D) For a boiler or process heater with a design heat input capacity of less than 44 megawatts, a temperature monitoring device equipped with a continuous recorder. The temperature monitoring device shall have a minimum accuracy of ±2 percent of the temperature being monitored in °C, or ±2.5 °C, whichever value is greater. The temperature sensor shall be installed at a location in the exhaust vent stream from the condenser.

(E) For a condenser, a temperature monitoring device equipped with a continuous recorder. The temperature monitoring device shall have a minimum accuracy of ±2 percent of the temperature being monitored in °C, or ±2.5 °C, whichever value is greater. The temperature sensor shall be installed at a location in the exhaust vent stream from the condenser.

(F) For a regenerative-type carbon adsorption system:

(1) A continuous parameter monitoring system to measure and record the average total regeneration stream mass flow or volumetric flow during each carbon bed regeneration cycle. The integrating regenerating stream flow monitoring device must have an accuracy of ±10 percent; and
(2) A continuous parameter monitoring system to measure and record the average carbon bed temperature for the duration of the carbon bed steaming cycle and to measure the actual carbon bed temperature after regeneration and within 15 minutes of completing the cooling cycle. The temperature monitoring device shall have a minimum accuracy of ±2 percent of the temperature being monitored in °C, or ±2.5 °C, whichever value is greater.

(G) For a nonregenerative-type carbon adsorption system, the owner or operator shall monitor the design carbon replacement interval established using a performance test performed in accordance with §63.1282(d)(3) or a design analysis in accordance with §63.1282(d)(4)(i)(F) and shall be based on the total carbon working capacity of the control device and source operating schedule.

(ii) A continuous monitoring system that measures the concentration level of organic compounds in the exhaust vent stream from the control device using an organic monitoring device equipped with a continuous recorder. The monitor must meet the requirements of Performance Specification 8 or 9 of appendix B of 40 CFR part 60 and must be installed, calibrated, and maintained according to the manufacturer’s specifications.

(iii) A continuous monitoring system that measures alternative operating parameters other than those specified in paragraph (d)(3)(i) or (d)(3)(ii) of this section upon approval of the Administrator as specified in §63.8(f)(1) through (5).

(4) Using the data recorded by the monitoring system, the owner or operator must calculate the daily average value for each monitored operating parameter for each operating day. If HAP emissions unit operation is continuous, the operating day is a 24-hour period. If the HAP emissions unit operation is not continuous, the operating day is the total number of hours of control device operation per 24-hour period. Valid data points must be available for 75 percent of the operating hours in an operating day to compute the daily average.

(5) For each operating parameter monitored in accordance with the requirements of paragraph (d)(3) of this section, the owner or operator shall comply with paragraph (d)(5)(i) of this section for all control devices, and when condensers are installed, the owner or operator shall also comply with paragraph (d)(5)(ii) of this section for condensers.

(i) The owner or operator shall establish a minimum operating parameter value or a maximum operating parameter value, as appropriate for the control device, to define the conditions at which the control device must be operated to continuously achieve the applicable performance requirements of §63.1281(d)(1) or (e)(3)(ii). Each minimum or maximum operating parameter value shall be established as follows:

(A) If the owner or operator conducts performance tests in accordance with the requirements of §63.1282(d)(3) to demonstrate that the control device achieves the applicable performance requirements specified in §63.1281(d)(1) or (e)(3)(ii), then the minimum operating parameter value or the maximum operating parameter value shall be established based on values measured during the performance test and supplemented, as necessary, by control device design analysis or control device manufacturer’s recommendations or a combination of both.

(B) If the owner or operator uses a control device design analysis in accordance with the requirements of §63.1282(d)(4) to demonstrate that the control device achieves the applicable performance requirements specified in §63.1281(d)(1) or (e)(3)(ii), then the minimum operating parameter value or the maximum operating parameter value shall be established based on the control device design analysis and may be supplemented by the control device manufacturer’s recommendations.

(ii) The owner or operator shall establish a condenser performance curve showing the relationship between condenser outlet temperature and condenser control efficiency. The curve shall be established as follows:

(A) If the owner or operator conducts a performance test in accordance with the requirements of §63.1282(d)(3) to demonstrate that the condenser
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achieves the applicable performance requirements in §63.1281(d)(1) or (e)(3)(ii), then the condenser performance curve shall be based on values measured during the performance test and supplemented as necessary by control device design analysis, or control device manufacturer’s recommendations, or a combination or both.

(B) If the owner or operator uses a control device design analysis in accordance with the requirements of §63.1282(d)(4)(i)(D) to demonstrate that the condenser achieves the applicable performance requirements specified in §63.1281(d)(1) or (e)(3)(ii), then the condenser performance curve shall be based on the condenser design analysis and may be supplemented by the control device manufacturer’s recommendations.

(C) As an alternative to paragraphs (d)(5)(ii)(A) and (B) of this section, the owner or operator may elect to use the procedures documented in the GRI report entitled, “Atmospheric Rich/Light Method for Determining Glycol Dehydrator Emissions” (GRI–95/0368.1) as inputs for the model GRI-GLYCalc™, Version 3.0 or higher, to generate a condenser performance curve.

(6) An excursion for a given control device is determined to have occurred when the monitoring data or lack of monitoring data result in any one of the criteria specified in paragraphs (d)(6)(i) through (d)(6)(iv) of this section being met. When multiple operating parameters are monitored for the same control device and during the same operating day, and more than one of these operating parameters meets an excursion criterion specified in paragraphs (d)(6)(i) through (d)(6)(iv) of this section, then a single excursion is determined to have occurred for the control device for that operating day.

(i) An excursion occurs when the daily average value of a monitored operating parameter is less than the minimum operating parameter limit (or, if applicable, greater than the maximum operating parameter limit) established for the operating parameter in accordance with the requirements of paragraph (d)(5)(1) of this section.

(ii) An excursion occurs when average condenser efficiency calculated according to the requirements specified in §63.1282(f)(2)(iii) is less than 95.0 percent, as specified in §63.1282(f)(3).

(iii) An excursion occurs when the monitoring data are not available for at least 75 percent of the operating hours in a day.

(iv) If the closed-vent system contains one or more bypass devices that could be used to divert all or a portion of the gases, vapors, or fumes from entering the control device, an excursion occurs when:

(A) For each bypass line subject to §63.1281(c)(3)(i)(A) the flow indicator indicates that flow has been detected and that the stream has been diverted away from the control device to the atmosphere.

(B) For each bypass line subject to §63.1281(c)(3)(i)(B), if the seal or closure mechanism has been broken, the bypass line valve position has changed, the key for the lock-and-key type lock has been checked out, or the car-seal has broken.

(7) For each excursion, except as provided for in paragraph (d)(8) of this section, the owner or operator shall be deemed to have failed to have applied control in a manner that achieves the required operating parameter limits. Failure to achieve the required operating parameter limits is a violation of this standard.

(8) An excursion is not a violation of the operating parameter limit as specified in paragraphs (d)(8)(i) and (d)(8)(ii) of this section: 

(i) An excursion does not count toward the number of excused excursions allowed under paragraph (d)(8)(ii) of this section when the excursion occurs during any one of the following periods:

(A) During a period of startup, shutdown, or malfunction when the affected facility is operated during such period in accordance with §63.6(e)(1); or

(B) During periods of non-operation of the unit or the process that is vented to the control device (resulting in cessation of HAP emissions to which the monitoring applies).

(ii) For each control device, or combinations of control devices, installed on the same HAP emissions unit, one excused excursion is allowed per semi-annual period for any reason. The initial semiannual period is the 6-month
§ 63.1284 Recordkeeping requirements.

(a) The recordkeeping provisions of subpart A of this part, that apply and those that do not apply to owners and operators of facilities subject to this subpart are listed in Table 2 of this subpart.

(b) Except as specified in paragraphs (c) and (d) of this section, each owner or operator of a facility subject to this subpart shall maintain the records specified in paragraphs (b)(1) through (b)(10) of this section:

(1) The owner or operator of an affected source subject to the provisions of this subpart shall maintain files of all information (including all reports and notifications) required by this subpart. The files shall be retained for at least 5 years following the date of each occurrence, measurement, maintenance, corrective action, report or period.

(i) All applicable records shall be maintained in such a manner that they can be readily accessed.

(ii) The most recent 12 months of records shall be retained on site or shall be accessible from a central location by computer or other means that provides access within 2 hours after a request.

(iii) The remaining 4 years of records may be retained offsite.

(iv) Records may be maintained in hard copy or computer-readable form including, but not limited to, on paper, microfilm, computer, floppy disk, magnetic tape, or microfiche.

(2) Records specified in §63.10(b)(2);

(3) Records specified in §63.10(c) for each monitoring system operated by the owner or operator in accordance with the requirements of §63.1283(d).

Notwithstanding the previous sentence, monitoring data recorded during periods identified in paragraphs (b)(3)(i) through (iv) of this section shall not be included in any average or percent leak rate computed under this subpart. Records shall be kept of the times and durations of all such periods and any other periods during process or control device operation when monitors are not operating.

(i) Monitoring system breakdowns, repairs, calibration checks, and zero (low-level) and high-level adjustments;

(ii) Startup, shutdown, and malfunction events. During startup, shutdown and malfunction events, the owner or operator shall maintain records indicating whether or not the startup, shutdown, or malfunction plan, required under §63.1272(d), was followed.

(iii) Periods of non-operation resulting in cessation of the emissions to which the monitoring applies; and

(iv) Excursions due to invalid data as defined in §63.1283(d)(6)(iii).

(4) Each owner or operator using a control device to comply with §63.1274 shall keep the following records up-to-date and readily accessible:

(i) Continuous records of the equipment operating parameters specified to be monitored under §63.1283(d) or specified by the Administrator in accordance with §63.1283(d)(3)(iii). For flares, the hourly records and records of pilot flame outages specified in paragraph (e) of this section shall be maintained in place of continuous records.

(ii) Records of the daily average value of each continuously monitored parameter for each operating day determined according to the procedures specified in §63.1283(d)(4). For flares, the records required in paragraph (e) of this section.

(iii) Hourly records of whether the flow indicator specified under §63.1281(c)(3)(I)(A) was operating and whether flow was detected at any time during the hour, as well as records of the times and durations of all periods when the vent stream is diverted from the control device or the monitor is not operating.

(iv) Where a seal or closure mechanism is used to comply with §63.1281(c)(3)(I)(B), hourly records of flow are not required. In such cases, the owner or operator shall record that