§ 1065.372 NDUV analyzer HC and H₂O interference verification.

(a) Scope and frequency. If you measure NOₓ using an NDUV analyzer, verify the amount of H₂O and hydrocarbon interference after initial analyzer installation and after major maintenance.

(b) Measurement principles. Hydrocarbons and H₂O can positively interfere with an NDUV analyzer by causing a response similar to NOₓ. If the NDUV analyzer uses compensation algorithms that utilize measurements of other gases to meet this interference verification, simultaneously conduct such measurements to test the algorithms during the analyzer interference verification.

(c) System requirements. A NOₓ NDUV analyzer must have combined H₂O and HC interference within ±2% of the flow-weighted mean concentration of NOₓ expected at the standard, though we strongly recommend keeping interference within ±1%.

(d) Procedure. Perform the interference verification as follows:

1. Start, operate, zero, and span the NOₓ NDUV analyzer according to the instrument manufacturer’s instructions.
2. We recommend that you extract engine exhaust to perform this verification. Use a CLD that meets the specifications of subpart C of this part to quantify NOₓ in the exhaust. Use the CLD response as the reference value.
3. Also measure HC in the exhaust with a FID analyzer that meets the specifications of subpart C of this part. Use the FID response as the reference hydrocarbon value.
4. Upstream of any sample dryer, if one is used during testing, introduce the engine exhaust to the NDUV analyzer.
5. Allow time for the analyzer response to stabilize. Stabilization time may include time to purge the transfer line and to account for analyzer response.
6. While all analyzers measure the sample’s concentration, record 30 seconds of sampled data, and calculate the arithmetic means for the three analyzers.
7. Subtract the CLD mean from the NDUV mean.

(e) Exceptions. The following exceptions apply:

1. You may omit this verification if you can show by engineering analysis that for your NOₓ sampling system and your emission calculations procedures, the combined HC and H₂O interference for your NOₓ NDUV analyzer always affects your brake-specific NOₓ emission results by less than 0.5% of the applicable NOₓ standard.

§ 1065.375 Interference verification for N₂O analyzers.

(a) Scope and frequency. See §1065.275 to determine whether you need to verify the amount of interference after initial analyzer installation and after major maintenance.

(b) Measurement principles. Interference gases can positively interfere with certain analyzers by causing a response similar to N₂O. If the analyzer uses compensation algorithms that utilize measurements of other gases to meet this interference verification, simultaneously conduct these other measurements to test the compensation algorithms during the analyzer interference verification.

(c) System requirements. Analyzers must have combined interference that is within (0.0 ± 1.0) μmol/mol. We strongly recommend a lower interference that is within (0.0 ± 0.5) μmol/mol.

(d) Procedure. Perform the interference verification as follows:

1. Start, operate, zero, and span the N₂O analyzer as you would before an emission test. If the sample is passed through a dryer during emission testing, you may run this verification test with the dryer if it meets the requirements of §1065.342. Operate the dryer at the same conditions as you will for an emission test. You may also run this
(2) Create a humidified test gas by bubbling a multi component span gas that incorporates the target interference species and meets the specifications in §1065.750 through distilled water in a sealed vessel. If the sample is not passed through a dryer during emission testing, control the vessel temperature to generate an H₂O level at least as high as the maximum expected during emission testing. If the sample is passed through a dryer during emission testing, control the vessel temperature to generate an H₂O level at least as high as the level determined in §1065.145(e)(2) for that dryer. Use interference span gas concentrations that are at least as high as the maximum expected during testing.

(3) Introduce the humidified interference test gas into the sample system. You may introduce it downstream of any sample dryer, if one is used during testing.

(4) If the sample is not passed through a dryer during this verification test, measure the water mole fraction, \( x_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} \), of the humidified interference test gas as close as possible to the inlet of the analyzer. For example, measure dewpoint, \( T_{\text{dew}} \), and absolute pressure, \( p_{\text{total}} \), to calculate \( x_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} \). Verify that the water content meets the requirement in paragraph (d)(2) of this section. If the sample is passed through a dryer during this verification test, you must verify that the water content of the humidified test gas downstream of the vessel meets the requirement in paragraph (d)(2) of this section based on either direct measurement of the water content (e.g., dewpoint and pressure) or an estimate based on the vessel pressure and temperature. Use good engineering judgment to estimate the water content. For example, you may use previous direct measurements of water content to verify the vessel's level of saturation.

(5) If a sample dryer is not used in this verification test, use good engineering judgment to prevent condensation in the transfer lines, fittings, or valves from the point where \( x_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} \) is measured to the analyzer. We recommend that you design your system so that the wall temperatures in the transfer lines, fittings, and valves from the point where \( x_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} \) is measured to the analyzer are at least 5 °C above the local sample gas dewpoint.

(6) Allow time for the analyzer response to stabilize. Stabilization time may include time to purge the transfer line and to account for analyzer response.

(7) While the analyzer measures the sample’s concentration, record its output for 30 seconds. Calculate the arithmetic mean of this data.

(8) The analyzer meets the interference verification if the result of paragraph (d)(7) of this section meets the tolerance in paragraph (c) of this section.

(9) You may also run interference procedures separately for individual interference gases. If the interference gas levels used are higher than the maximum levels expected during testing, you may scale down each observed interference value by multiplying the observed interference by the ratio of the maximum expected concentration value to the actual value used during this procedure. You may run separate interference concentrations of H₂O (down to 0.025 mol/mol H₂O content) that are lower than the maximum levels expected during testing, but you must scale up the observed H₂O interference by multiplying the observed interference by the ratio of the maximum expected H₂O concentration value to the actual value used during this procedure. The sum of the scaled interference values must meet the tolerance specified in paragraph (c) of this section.

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