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§ 63.765 Glycol dehydration unit process vent standards.

(a) This section applies to each glycol dehydration unit subject to this subpart with an actual annual average natural gas flowrate equal to or greater than 85 thousand standard cubic meters per day and with actual average benzene glycol dehydration unit process vent emissions equal to or greater than 0.90 megagrams per year, that must be controlled for HAP emissions as specified in either paragraph (c)(1) or paragraph (d)(1)(i) of §63.764.

(b) Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this section, an owner or operator of a glycol dehydration unit process vent shall comply with the requirements specified in paragraphs (b)(1) and (b)(2) of this section.

(1) For each glycol dehydration unit process vent, the owner or operator shall control air emissions by either paragraph (b)(1)(i) or (b)(1)(ii) of this section.

(i) The owner or operator shall connect the process vent to a control device or a combination of control devices through a closed-vent system. The closed-vent system shall be designed and operated in accordance with the requirements of §63.771(c). The control device(s) shall be designed and operated in accordance with the requirements of §63.771(d), except that the performance levels specified in §63.771(d)(1)(i) and (ii) do not apply.

(ii) One or more safety devices that vent directly to the atmosphere may be used on the air emission control equipment installed to comply with paragraph (b)(1) of this section.

(c) As an alternative to the requirements of paragraph (b) of this section, the owner or operator may comply with one of the requirements specified as determined by the procedures specified in §63.772(b)(2) of this subpart.

(2) The owner or operator is exempt from the requirements of paragraph (c)(3) of this section for ancillary equipment (as defined in §63.761) and compressors at a natural gas processing plant subject to this subpart if the criteria listed in paragraph (e)(2)(i) or (ii) of this section are met, except that the records of the determination of these criteria must be maintained as required in §63.774(d)(2).

(i) Any ancillary equipment and compressors that contain or contact a fluid (liquid or gas) must have a total VHAP concentration less than 10 percent by weight, as determined by the procedures specified in §63.772(a); or

(ii) That ancillary equipment and compressors must operate in VHAP service less than 300 hours per calendar year.

(f) Each owner or operator of a major HAP source subject to this subpart is required to apply for a 40 CFR part 70 or part 71 operating permit from the appropriate permitting authority. If the Administrator has approved a State operating permit program under 40 CFR part 70, the permit shall be obtained from the State authority. If a State operating permit program has not been approved, the owner or operator of a source shall apply to the EPA Regional Office pursuant to 40 CFR part 71.

(g)-(h) [Reserved]

(i) In all cases where the provisions of this subpart require an owner or operator to repair leaks by a specified time after the leak is detected, it is a violation of this standard to fail to take action to repair the leak(s) within the specified time. If action is taken to repair the leak(s) within the specified time, failure of that action to successfully repair the leak(s) is not a violation of this standard. However, if the repairs are unsuccessful, a leak is detected and the owner or operator shall take further action as required by the applicable provisions of this subpart.

in paragraphs (c)(1) through (3) of this section.

(1) The owner or operator shall control air emissions by connecting the process vent to a process natural gas line.

(2) The owner or operator shall demonstrate, to the Administrator’s satisfaction, that the total HAP emissions to the atmosphere from the glycol dehydration unit process vent are reduced by 95.0 percent through process modifications, or a combination of process modifications and one or more control devices, in accordance with the requirements specified in §63.771(e).

(3) Control of HAP emissions from a GCG separator (flash tank) vent is not required if the owner or operator demonstrates, to the Administrator’s satisfaction, that total emissions to the atmosphere from the glycol dehydration unit process vent are reduced by one of the levels specified in paragraph (c)(3)(i) or (ii) of this section, through the installation and operation of controls as specified in paragraph (b)(1) of this section.

(i) HAP emissions are reduced by 95.0 percent or more.

(ii) Benzene emissions are reduced to a level less than 0.90 megagrams per year.

§ 63.766 Storage vessel standards.

(a) This section applies to each storage vessel with the potential for flash emissions (as defined in §63.761) subject to this subpart.

(b) The owner or operator of a storage vessel with the potential for flash emissions (as defined in §63.761) shall comply with one of the control requirements specified in paragraphs (b)(1) and (2) of this section.

(1) The owner or operator shall equip the affected storage vessel with the potential for flash emissions with a cover that is connected, through a closed-vent system that meets the conditions specified in §63.771(c), to a control device or a combination of control devices that meets any of the conditions specified in §63.771(d). The cover shall be designed and operated in accordance with the requirements of §63.771(b).

(2) The owner or operator of a pressure storage vessel that is designed to operate as a closed system shall operate the storage vessel with no detectable emissions at all times that material is in the storage vessel, except as provided for in paragraph (c) of this section.

(c) One or more safety devices that vent directly to the atmosphere may be used on the storage vessel and air emission control equipment complying with paragraphs (b)(1) and (2) of this section.

(d) This section does not apply to storage vessels for which the owner or operator is meeting the requirements specified in 40 CFR part 60, subpart Kb; or is meeting the requirements specified in 40 CFR part 63, subparts G or CC.

§§ 63.767–63.768 [Reserved]

§ 63.769 Equipment leak standards.

(a) This section applies to equipment subject to this subpart and specified in paragraphs (a)(1) and (2) of this section that is located at a natural gas processing plant and operates in VHAP service equal to or greater than 300 hours per calendar year.

(1) Ancillary equipment, as defined in §63.761; and

(2) Compressors.

(b) This section does not apply to ancillary equipment and compressors for which the owner or operator is meeting the requirements specified in subpart H of this part; or is meeting the requirements specified in 40 CFR part 60, subpart KKK.

(c) For each piece of ancillary equipment and each compressor subject to this section located at an existing or new source, the owner or operator shall meet the requirements specified in 40 CFR part 61, subpart V, §§61.241 through 61.247, except as specified in paragraphs (c)(1) through (8) of this section.

(1) Each pressure relief device in gas/vapor service shall be monitored quarterly and within 5 days after each pressure release to detect leaks, except under the following conditions.

(i) The owner or operator has obtained permission from the Administrator to use an alternative means of