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§ 63.7917 What are my inspection and monitoring requirements for transfer systems?

(a) If you operate an individual drain system as a transfer system according to § 63.7915(b), you must visually inspect each individual drain system at least annually according to the requirements in § 63.964(a).

(b) If you operate a transfer system using covers according to § 63.7915(c)(1), you must inspect each cover and its closure devices for defects according to the requirements in § 63.689(d)(1) through (5).

(c) If you operate a transfer system consisting of hard piping according to § 63.7915(c)(2), you must annually inspect the unburied portion of pipeline and all joints for leaks and other defects. In the event that a defect is detected, you must repair the leak or defect according to the requirements of paragraph (e) of this section.

(d) If you operate a transfer system that is enclosed and vented to a control device according to § 63.7915(e)(3) you must meet requirements in paragraphs (d)(1) and (2) of this section.

(1) You must annually inspect all enclosure components (e.g., enclosure sections, closure devices, fans) for defects that would prevent an internal pressure in the vapor headspace in the enclosure from continuously being maintained at a level less than atmospheric pressure when the control device is operating. In the event that a defect is detected, you must repair the defect according to the requirements of paragraph (e) of this section.

(2) You must monitor and inspect the closed vent system and control device according to the requirements in § 63.7927 that apply to you.

(e) If you are subject to paragraph (c) or (d) of this section, you must repair all detected defects as specified in paragraphs (e)(1) through (3) of this section.

(1) You must make first efforts at repair of the defect no later than 5 calendar days after detection and repair shall be completed as soon as possible but no later than 45 calendar days after detection except as provided in paragraph (e)(2) of this section.

(2) Repair of a defect may be delayed beyond 45 calendar days if you determine that repair of the defect requires emptying or temporary removal from service of the transfer system and no alternative transfer system is available at the site to accept the material normally handled by the system. In this case, you must repair the defect the
next time the process or unit that is generating the material handled by the transfer system stops operation. Repair of the defect must be completed before the process or unit resumes operation.

(3) You must maintain a record of the defect repair according to the requirements specified in §63.7952.


§ 63.7918 How do I demonstrate continuous compliance with the emissions limitations and work practice standards for transfer systems?

(a) You must demonstrate continuous compliance with the emissions limitations and work practice standards in §63.7915 applicable to your affected transfer system by meeting the requirements in paragraphs (b) through (e) of this section as applicable to your transfer systems.

(b) You must demonstrate continuous compliance for each individual drain system using controls according to §63.7915(b) by meeting the requirements in paragraphs (b)(1) through (5) of this section.

(1) Operating and maintaining the air emission controls for individual drain systems according to the requirements in §63.962.

(2) Visually inspecting each individual drain system at least annually according to the requirements in §63.964(a).

(3) Repairing defects according to the requirements in §63.964(b).

(4) Recording the information specified in §63.965(a).

(5) Keeping records to document compliance with the requirements of this subpart according to the requirements in §63.7952.

(c) You must demonstrate continuous compliance for each transfer system using covers according to §63.7915(c)(1) by meeting the requirements in paragraphs (c)(1) through (4) of this section.

(1) Operating and maintaining each cover and its closure devices according to the requirements in §63.689(d)(1) through (5).

(2) Performing inspections of each cover and its closure devices for defects at least annually according to the requirements in §63.695(d)(1) through (5).

(3) Repairing defects according to the requirements in §63.695(e).

(4) Keeping records to document compliance with the requirements of this subpart according to the requirements in §63.7952.

(d) You must demonstrate continuous compliance for each transfer system that consists of hard piping according to §63.7915(c)(2) by meeting the requirements in paragraphs (d)(1) through (4) of this section.

(1) Operating and maintaining the pipeline to ensure that all joints or seams between the pipe sections remain permanently or semi-permanently sealed (e.g., a welded joint between two sections of metal pipe or a bolted and gasketed flange).

(2) Inspecting the pipeline for defects at least annually according to the requirements in §63.7917(c).

(3) Repairing defects according to the requirements in §63.7917(e).

(4) Keeping records to document compliance with the requirements of this subpart according to the requirements in §63.7952.

(e) You must demonstrate continuous compliance for each transfer system that is enclosed and vented to a control device according to §63.7915(c)(3) by meeting the requirements in paragraphs (e)(1) through (5) of this section.

(1) Operating and maintaining the enclosure to ensure that the internal pressure in the vapor headspace in the enclosure is maintained continuously at a level less than atmospheric pressure when the control device is operating.

(2) Inspecting the enclosure and its closure devices for defects at least annually according to the requirements in §63.7918(d).

(3) Repairing defects according to the requirements in §63.7918(e).

(4) Meeting each applicable requirement for demonstrating continuous compliance with the emission limitations and work practice standards for a closed vent system and control device in §63.7928.

(5) Keeping records to document compliance with the requirements according to the requirements in §63.7952.