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(3) Provide for the implementation of appropriate measures to protect public health from exceedances or violations of ambient air quality standards caused by exceptional events.

(b) [Reserved]

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Subpart Z—Provisions for Implementation of PM$_{2.5}$ National Ambient Air Quality Standards

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§ 51.1000 Definitions.

The following definitions apply for purposes of this subpart. Any term not defined herein shall have the meaning as defined in 40 CFR 51.100.


Attainment date means the date by which an area, under an approved State implementation plan, is required to attain the PM$_{2.5}$ NAAQS (based on the average of three consecutive years of ambient air quality data).

Baseline year inventory for the RFP plan is the emissions inventory for the year also used as the base year for the attainment demonstration.

Benchmark RFP plan means the reasonable further progress plan that requires generally linear emission reductions in pollutants from the baseline emissions year through the milestone inventory year.

Date of designation means the effective date of the PM$_{2.5}$ area designation as promulgated by the Administrator.

Direct PM$_{2.5}$ emissions means solid particles emitted directly from an air emissions source or activity, or gaseous emissions or liquid droplets from an air emissions source or activity which condense to form particulate matter at ambient temperatures. Direct PM$_{2.5}$ emissions include elemental carbon, directly emitted organic carbon, directly emitted sulfate, directly emitted nitrate, and other inorganic particles (including but not limited to crustal material, metals, and sea salt).

Existing control measure means any Federally enforceable national, State, or local control measure that has been