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(3) A description of the test locomotive or engine;
(4) Special or alternate test procedures, if applicable;
(5) A description of the operating cycle and the period of operation necessary to accumulate service hours on the test locomotive or engine and stabilize emission levels;
(6) A description of all adjustable operating parameters (including, but not limited to, injection timing and fuel rate), including the following:
   (i) The nominal or recommended setting and the associated production tolerances;
   (ii) The intended adjustable range, and the physically adjustable range;
   (iii) The limits or stops used to limit adjustable ranges;
   (iv) Production tolerances of the limits or stops used to establish each physically adjustable range; and
   (v) Information relating to why the physical limits or stops used to establish the physically adjustable range of each parameter, or any other means used to inhibit adjustment, are the most effective means possible of preventing adjustment of parameters to settings outside the manufacturer’s or remanufacturer’s specified adjustable ranges on in-use engines;
(7) For families participating in the averaging, banking, and trading program, the information specified in subpart D of this part;
(8) Projected U.S. production information for each configuration;
(9) A description of the test equipment and fuel proposed to be used;
(10) All test data obtained by the manufacturer or remanufacturer on each test engine or locomotive;
(11) The intended useful life period for the engine family, in accordance with §92.9(a);
(12) The intended deterioration factors for the engine family, in accordance with §92.9(b)(2);
(13) An unconditional statement certifying that all locomotives and engines included the engine family comply with all requirements of this part and the Clean Air Act.

(e) At the Administrator’s request, the manufacturer or remanufacturer must supply such additional information as may be required to evaluate the application.

(f)(1) If the manufacturer or remanufacturer submits some or all of the information specified in paragraph (d) of this section in advance of its full application for certification, the Administrator shall review the information and make the determinations required in §92.208(d) within 90 days of the manufacturer’s or remanufacturer’s submittal.
(2) The 90-day decision period is exclusive of any elapsed time during which EPA is waiting for additional information requested from a manufacturer or remanufacturer regarding an adjustable parameter (the 90-day period resumes upon receipt of the manufacturer’s or remanufacturer’s response). For example, if EPA requests additional information 30 days after the manufacturer or remanufacturer submits information under paragraph (f)(1) of this section, then the Administrator would make a determination within 60 days of the receipt of the requested information from the manufacturer or remanufacturer.

(g)(1) The Administrator may modify the information submission requirements of paragraph (d) of this section, provided that all of the information specified therein is maintained by the manufacturer or remanufacturer as required by §92.215, and amended, updated, or corrected as necessary.
(2) For the purposes of this paragraph (g), §92.215 includes all information specified in paragraph (d) of this section whether or not such information is actually submitted to the Administrator for any particular model year.
(3) The Administrator may review a manufacturer’s or remanufacturer’s records at any time. At the Administrator’s discretion, this review may take place either at the manufacturer’s or remanufacturer’s facility or at another facility designated by the Administrator.

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§ 92.204 Designation of engine families.

This section specifies the procedure and requirements for grouping of engines into engine families.
(a) Manufacturers and remanufacturers shall divide their locomotives and locomotive engines into groupings of locomotives and locomotive engines which are expected to have similar emission characteristics throughout their useful life. Each group shall be defined as a separate engine family. Freshly manufactured locomotives may not be included in the same engine family as remanufactured locomotives. Freshly manufactured engines may be included in the same engine family as remanufactured locomotives, provided such engines are used as replacement engines for locomotive models included in the engine family.

(b) For Tier 1 and Tier 2 locomotives and locomotive engines, the following characteristics distinguish engine families:

1. The combustion cycle (e.g., diesel cycle);
2. The type of engine cooling employed (air-cooled or water-cooled), and procedure(s) employed to maintain engine temperature within desired limits (thermostat, on-off radiator fan(s), radiator shutters, etc.);
3. The bore and stroke dimensions;
4. The approximate intake and exhaust event timing and duration (valve or port);
5. The location of the intake and exhaust valves (or ports);
6. The size of the intake and exhaust valves (or ports);
7. The overall injection, or as appropriate ignition, timing characteristics (i.e., the deviation of the timing curves from the optimal fuel economy timing curve must be similar in degree);
8. The combustion chamber configuration and the surface-to-volume ratio of the combustion chamber when the piston is at top dead center position, using nominal combustion chamber dimensions;
9. The location of the piston rings on the piston;
10. The method of air aspiration (turbocharged, supercharged, naturally aspirated, Roots blown);
11. The turbocharger or supercharger general performance characteristics (e.g., approximate boost pressure, approximate response time, approximate size relative to engine displacement);
12. The type of air inlet cooler (air-to-air, air-to-liquid, approximate degree to which inlet air is cooled);
13. The intake manifold induction port size and configuration;
14. The type of fuel and fuel system configuration;
15. The configuration of the fuel injectors and approximate injection pressure;
16. The type of fuel injection system controls (i.e., mechanical or electronic);
17. The type of smoke control system;
18. The exhaust manifold port size and configuration; and
19. The type of exhaust aftertreatment system (oxidation catalyst, particulate trap), and characteristics of the aftertreatment system (catalyst loading, converter size vs engine size).

(c) For Tier 0 locomotives and locomotive engines, the following characteristics distinguish engine families:

1. The combustion cycle (e.g., diesel cycle);
2. The type of engine cooling employed (air-cooled or water-cooled), and procedure(s) employed to maintain engine temperature within desired limits (thermostat, on-off radiator fan(s), radiator shutters, etc.);
3. The approximate bore and stroke dimensions;
4. The approximate location of the intake and exhaust valves (or ports);
5. The combustion chamber general configuration and the approximate surface-to-volume ratio of the combustion chamber when the piston is at top dead center position, using nominal combustion chamber dimensions;
6. The method of air aspiration (turbocharged, supercharged, naturally aspirated, Roots blown);
7. The type of air inlet cooler (air-to-air, air-to-liquid, approximate degree to which inlet air is cooled);
8. The type of fuel and general fuel system configuration;
9. The general configuration of the fuel injectors and approximate injection pressure; and
10. The fuel injection system control type (electronic or mechanical).
§ 92.206 Required information.

(a) The manufacturer or remanufacturer shall perform the tests required by the applicable test procedures, and submit to the Administrator the information required by this section. Provided, however, that if requested by the manufacturer or remanufacturer, the Administrator may waive any requirement of this section for testing of locomotives, or locomotive engines, for which the required emission data are otherwise available.

(b) Exhaust emission deterioration factors, with supporting data. The determination of the deterioration factors shall be conducted in accordance with good engineering practice to assure that the locomotives or locomotive engines covered by a certificate issued under § 92.208 will meet the emission standards in § 92.8, in actual use for the useful life of the locomotive or locomotive engine.

(c) Emission data, including exhaust methane data in the case of locomotives or locomotive engines subject