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Purity and Hydrocarbon Impurities by Gas Chromatography (incorporated by reference, see §98.7).


(iii) The results of chromatographic analysis of a feedstock or product, provided that the gas chromatograph is operated, maintained, and calibrated according to the manufacturer’s instructions.

(iv) The carbon content results of mass spectrometer analysis of a feedstock or product, provided that the mass spectrometer is operated, maintained, and calibrated according to the manufacturer’s instructions.

(v) Beginning on January 1, 2010, the methods specified in paragraphs (b)(4)(v)(A) and (B) of this section may be used as alternatives for the methods specified in paragraphs (b)(4)(i) through (b)(4)(xiv) of this section.

(A) An industry standard practice for carbon black feedstock oils and carbon black products.

(B) Modifications of existing analytical methods or other methods that are applicable to your process provided that the methods listed in paragraphs (b)(4)(i) through (b)(4)(xiv) of this section are not appropriate because the relevant compounds cannot be detected, the quality control requirements are not technically feasible, or use of the method would be unsafe.


§ 98.245 Procedures for estimating missing data.

For missing feedstock flow rates, product flow rates, and carbon contents, use the same procedures as for missing flow rates and carbon contents for fuels as specified in §98.35.

§ 98.246 Data reporting requirements.

In addition to the information required by §98.3(c), each annual report must contain the information specified in paragraphs (a), (b), or (c) of this section, as appropriate for each process unit.

(a) If you use the mass balance methodology in §98.243(c), you must report the information specified in paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(11) of this section for each type of petrochemical produced, reported by process unit.

(1) The petrochemical process unit ID number or other appropriate descriptor.

(2) The type of petrochemical produced, names of other products, and names of carbon-containing feedstocks.

(3) Annual CO₂ emissions calculated using Equation X–4 of this subpart.

(4) Each of the monthly volume, mass, and carbon content values used in Equations X–1 through X–3 of this subpart (i.e., the directly measured values, substitute values, or the calculated values based on other measured data such as tank levels or gas composition) and the molecular weights for gaseous feedstocks and products used in Equation X–1 of this subpart, and the temperature (in °F) at which the gaseous feedstock and product volumes used in Equation X–1 of this subpart were determined. Indicate whether you used the alternative to sampling and analysis specified in §98.243(c)(4).

(5) Annual quantity of each type of petrochemical produced from each process unit (metric tons).

(6) Name of each method listed in §98.244 used to determine a measured parameter (or description of manufacturer’s recommended method).

(7) [Reserved]

(8) Identification of each combustion unit that burned both process off-gas and supplemental fuel.

(9) If you comply with the alternative to sampling and analysis specified in §98.243(c)(4), the amount of time during which off-specification product was produced, the volume or mass of off-specification product produced, and if applicable, the date of any process change that reduced the composition to less than 99.5 percent.

(10) You may elect to report the flow and carbon content of wastewater, and you may elect to report the annual mass of carbon released in fugitive emissions and in process vents that are not controlled with a combustion device. These values are not to be used in the mass balance calculation.