§ 92.506 Test procedures.

(a)(1) For locomotives and locomotive engines subject to the provisions of this subpart, the prescribed test procedures are those procedures described in subpart B of this part, except as provided in this section.

(2) The Administrator may, on the basis of a written application by a manufacturer or remanufacturer, prescribe test procedures other than those specified in paragraph (a)(1) of this section for any locomotive or locomotive engine he/she determines is not susceptible to satisfactory testing using procedures specified in paragraph (a)(1) of this section.

(3) If test procedures other than those in subpart B were used in certification of the engine family being tested under this subpart (other than alternate test procedures necessary for testing of a development engine instead of a low mileage locomotive or a low hour engine under §92.9), the manufacturer or remanufacturer shall use the test procedures used in certification for production line testing.

(b)(1) The manufacturer or remanufacturer may not adjust, repair, prepare, modify, or perform any emission test on any test locomotive or locomotive engine unless this adjustment, repair, preparation, modification and/or test is documented in the manufacturer’s or remanufacturer’s locomotive or engine assembly and inspection procedures and is actually performed by the manufacturer or remanufacturer or unless this adjustment, repair, preparation, modification and/or test is required or permitted under this subpart or is approved in advance by the Administrator.

(2) Any adjustable locomotive or locomotive engine parameter must be set to values or positions that are within the range recommended to the ultimate purchaser.

(3) The Administrator may adjust or require to be adjusted any engine parameter which the Administrator has determined to be subject to adjustment for certification and production line testing, to any setting within the specified adjustable range of that parameter, as determined by the Administrator, prior to the performance of any test.

(c) Service Accumulation/Green Engine factor. The manufacturer or remanufacturer shall accumulate service on the locomotives and locomotive engines to be tested up to 300 hours of operation. In lieu of conducting such service accumulation, the manufacturer or remanufacturer may establish a Green Engine factor for each regulated pollutant for each engine family to be used in calculating emissions test results. The manufacturer or remanufacturer shall obtain the approval of the Administrator prior to using a Green Engine factor.

(d) The manufacturer or remanufacturer may not perform any maintenance on test locomotives or locomotive engines after selection for testing.

(e) If a locomotive or locomotive engine is shipped to a facility other than the production facility for production line testing, and an adjustment or repair is necessary because of such shipment, the locomotive or locomotive engine manufacturer or remanufacturer must perform the necessary adjustment or repair only after the initial test of the locomotive or locomotive engine, except where the Administrator has determined that the test would be impossible to perform or would permanently damage the locomotive engine.

(f) If a locomotive or locomotive engine cannot complete the service accumulation, if applicable, or an emission test, because of a malfunction, the manufacturer or remanufacturer may request that the Administrator authorize either the repair of that locomotive or locomotive engine or its deletion from the test sequence.

(g) Retesting. (1) If a locomotive or locomotive engine manufacturer or remanufacturer determines that any production line emission test of a locomotive or locomotive engine is invalid, the locomotive or locomotive engine must be retested in accordance with the requirements of this subpart. Emission results from all tests must be reported to EPA, including test results the manufacturer or remanufacturer determines are invalid. The locomotive or locomotive engine manufacturer or
remanufacturer must also include a detailed explanation of the reasons for invalidating any test in the quarterly report required in §92.508(e). In the event a retest is performed, a request may be made to the Administrator, within ten days of the end of the production quarter, for permission to substitute the after-repair test results for the original test results. The Administrator will either affirm or deny the request by the locomotive or locomotive engine manufacturer or remanufacturer within ten working days from receipt of the request.

§ 92.507 Sequence of testing.

If one or more locomotives or locomotive engines fail a production line test, then the manufacturer or remanufacturer must test two additional locomotives or locomotive engines from the next fifteen produced in that engine family, for each locomotive or locomotive engine that fails.

§ 92.508 Calculation and reporting of test results.

(a) Manufacturers and remanufacturers shall calculate initial test results using the applicable test procedure specified in §92.506(a). These results must also include the green engine factor, if applicable. The manufacturer or remanufacturer shall round these results, in accordance with ASTM E29–93a (incorporated by reference at §92.5), to the number of decimal places contained in the applicable emissions standard expressed to one additional significant figure.

(b) Final test results shall be calculated by summing the initial test results derived in paragraph (a) of this section for each test locomotive or locomotive engine, dividing by the number of tests conducted on the locomotive or locomotive engine, and rounding in accordance with ASTM E29–93a (incorporated by reference at §92.5) to the same number of decimal places contained in the applicable standard expressed to one additional significant figure.

(c) Manufacturers and remanufacturers shall calculate the final test results for each test locomotive or locomotive engine by applying the appropriate deterioration factors, derived in the certification process for the engine family, to the final test results, and rounding in accordance with ASTM E29–93a (incorporated by reference at §92.5) to the same number of decimal places contained in the applicable standard expressed to one additional significant figure.

(d) If, subsequent to an initial failure of a production line test, the average of the test results for the failed locomotive or locomotive engine and the two additional locomotives or locomotive engines tested, is greater than any applicable emission standard or FEL, the engine family is deemed to be in non-compliance with applicable emission standards, and the manufacturer or remanufacturer must notify EPA within 2 working days of such noncompliance.

(e) Within 45 calendar days of the end of each quarter, each manufacturer or remanufacturer must submit to the Administrator a report which includes the following information:

(1) The location and description of the manufacturer’s or remanufacturer’s emission test facilities which were utilized to conduct testing reported pursuant to this section;

(2) Total production and sample size for each engine family;

(3) The applicable standards and/or FELs against which each engine family was tested;

(4) A description of the test locomotives or locomotive engines;

(5) For each test conducted:

(i) A description of the test locomotive or locomotive engine, including:

(A) Configuration and engine family identification;

(B) Year, make, and build date;

(C) Engine identification number;

(D) Number of megawatt-hours (or miles if applicable) of service accumulated on locomotive or locomotive engine prior to testing; and

(E) Description of green engine factor; how it is determined and how it is applied;

(ii) Location(s) where service accumulation was conducted and description of accumulation procedure and schedule, if applicable;