§ 265.1062 Alternative standards for valves in gas/vapor service or in light liquid service: skip period leak detection and repair.

(a) An owner or operator subject to the requirements of §265.1057 may elect for all valves within a hazardous waste management unit to comply with one of the alternative work practices specified in paragraphs (b)(2) and (3) of this section.

(b)(1) An owner or operator shall comply with the requirements for valves, as described in §265.1057, except as described in paragraphs (b)(2) and (b)(3) of this section.

(b)(2) After two consecutive quarterly leak detection periods with the percentage of valves leaking equal to or less than 2 percent, an owner or operator may begin to skip one of the quarterly leak detection periods (i.e., monitor for leaks once every six months) for the valves subject to the requirements in §265.1057 of this subpart.

(b)(3) After five consecutive quarterly leak detection periods with the percentage of valves leaking equal to or less than 2 percent, an owner or operator may begin to skip three of the quarterly leak detection periods (i.e., monitor for leaks once every year) for the valves subject to the requirements in §265.1057 of this subpart.

(c) Engineering studies shall be made by the owner or operator to determine if the valve leak rates are less than 2 percent. If the percentage of valves leaking is greater than 2 percent, the owner or operator shall monitor monthly in compliance with the requirements in §265.1057, but may again elect to use this section after meeting the requirements of §265.1057(c)(1).