§ 57.502 Evaluation.

(a) Evaluation at the time of application. Any smelter owner may demonstrate at the time of application for an NSO that the smelter’s SO₂ fugitive emissions will not cause or significant contribute to violations of the NAAQS in the smelter’s DLA. If such demonstration is not made, the smelter owner shall submit the design and workplan for a study adequate to assess the sources of significant fugitive emissions from the smelter and their effects upon ambient air quality.

(b) Evaluation during the first 6 months of the NSO. The design and workplan of the study shall be approved, if adequate, by the issuing agency and included in the NSO. The study shall commence no later than the date when the NSO becomes effective and an analysis of its results shall be submitted to the issuing agency within 6 months of the effective date of the NSO. The study shall include an appropriate period during which the ambient air shall be monitored to determine the impact of fugitive emissions of sulfur dioxide, arsenic (at copper smelters only), lead (at lead and zinc smelters only), and total suspended particulates on the ambient air quality in the smelter’s DLA.

§ 57.503 Control measures.

The NSO of any smelter subject to the requirements of §57.502(b) shall be amended, if necessary, within 6 months of EPA’s receipt of the analysis specified in §57.704(c) to implement the requirement of §57.501. Measures required to be implemented may include:

(a) Additional supplementary control. The use of the supplementary control system, if the additional use of the system does not interfere with the smelter owner’s ability to meet the requirements of subpart D; and

(b) Engineering and maintenance techniques. The use of engineering and maintenance techniques to detect and prevent leaks and capture and vent fugitive emissions through appropriate stacks. These techniques include but are not limited to:

1. For reactors, installation and proper operation of primary hoods;
2. For roasters, installation and proper operation of primary hoods on all hot calcine transfer points;
3. For furnaces, installation and proper operation of primary hoods on all active matte tap holes, matte launderers, slag skim bays, and transfer points;
4. For converters, installation and proper operation of primary hoods for blowing operations, and where appropriate, secondary hoods for charging and pouring operations;
5. For sintering machines, installation and proper operation of primary hoods on all hot sinter ignition points, all concentrate laydown points, and all hot sinter transfer points;
6. For blast furnaces, installation and proper operation of primary hoods on all active slag and lead bullion furnace tap holes and transfer points;
7. For dross reverberatory furnaces, installation and proper operation of primary hoods on all active charging and discharging points;
8. Maintenance of all ducts, flues and stacks in a leak-free condition to the maximum extent possible;
9. Maintenance of all process equipment under normal operating conditions in such a fashion that out-leakage of fugitive gases will be prevented to the maximum extent possible;
10. Secondary or tertiary hooding on process equipment where necessary; and
11. Partial or complete building evacuation as appropriate.