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[59.104(f) and 65.158(a)(2). The criteria authority can be found in 40 CFR parts 59, 60, 61, 63, and 65; state, local, and tribal entities regulated under 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) parts 59, 60, 61, 63, and 65; and the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP), 40 CFR part 60, and the New Source Performance Standards (NSPS), 40 CFR part 60, and the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) programs, 40 CFR parts 61 and 63. See Table 1 of this notice for the summary of these test methods. Source owners and operators may voluntarily use these broadly applicable alternative test methods in lieu of otherwise required test methods or related testing procedures. Use of these broadly applicable alternative test methods are not intended to and should not change the applicable emission standards. This notice also announces the removal of ALT–109 as an approved broadly applicable alternative test method given our subsequent revisions to certain requirements in Method 22. 83 FR 56713 (November 14, 2018). The Administrator has the authority to approve the use of alternative test methods for compliance with requirements under 40 CFR parts 60, 61, and 63. This authority is found in 40 CFR 60.8(b)(3), 61.13(h)(1)(ii), and 63.71(e)(2)(ii). Additional and similar authority can be found in 40 CFR 59.104(f) and 65.158(a)(2). The criteria for approval and procedures for submission and review of broadly applicable alternative test methods are explained in a previous Federal Register notice published at 72 FR 4257 (January 30, 2007) and located at https://www.epa.gov/emc/broadly-applicable-approved-alternative-test-methods. As explained in this notice, we will announce approvals for broadly applicable alternative test methods at https://www.epa.gov/emc/broadly-applicable-approved-alternative-test-methods as they are issued and publish an annual notice that summarizes approvals for broadly applicable alternative test methods during the preceding year.

As also explained in the January 30, 2007 notice, our approval decisions involve thorough technical reviews of numerous source-specific requests for alternatives and modifications to test methods and procedures. Based on these reviews, we have often found that these modifications or alternatives would be equally valid and appropriate to apply to other sources within a particular class, category, or subcategory. Consequently, we have concluded that where a method modification or an alternative method is clearly broadly applicable to a class, category, or subcategory of sources, it is both equitable and efficient to simultaneously approve its use for all appropriate sources and situations.

Use of approved alternative test methods are not mandatory but rather permissive. Sources are not required to employ such a method but may choose to do so in appropriate circumstances. As specified in 40 CFR 63.7(l)(5), however, a source owner or operator electing to use an alternative method for 40 CFR part 63 standards must continue to use the alternative method until otherwise authorized. Source owners or operators should, therefore, review the specific broadly applicable alternative method approval decision at https://www.epa.gov/emc/broadly-applicable-approved-alternative-test-methods
before electing to employ any alternative method.

III. Approved Alternative Test Methods and Modifications To Test Methods

This notice specifies four broadly applicable alternative test methods that the EPA approved between January 1, 2020, and December 31, 2020. The alternative method decision letter/memo designation numbers, test methods affected, sources allowed to use this alternative, and method modifications or alternative methods allowed have been summarized in Table 1 of this notice. A summary of approval documents was previously made available on our Technology Transfer Network between January 1, 2020, and December 31, 2020. For more detailed information, please refer to the complete copies of these approval documents available at [https://www.epa.gov/emc/broadly-applicable-approved-alternative-test-methods](https://www.epa.gov/emc/broadly-applicable-approved-alternative-test-methods).

As also explained in our January 30, 2007 notice, we will revisit approvals of alternative test methods in response to written requests or objections indicating that a particular approved alternative test method either should not be broadly applicable or that its use is not appropriate or should be limited in some way. Any objection to a broadly applicable alternative test method, as well as the resolution of such an objection, will be announced at [https://www.epa.gov/emc/broadly-applicable-approved-alternative-test-methods](https://www.epa.gov/emc/broadly-applicable-approved-alternative-test-methods) and in a subsequent Federal Register notice. If we decide to retract a broadly applicable test method, we will likely consider the need for an appropriate transition period for users either to request case-by-case approval or to transition to an approved method.

This notice also announces our removal of ALT–109 as a broadly applicable alternative test method from the Broadly Applicable Approved Alternative Test Methods web page. In the February 10, 2016 Federal Register notice (81 FR 7092), we announced the approval of ALT–109 as an alternative method that would allow the use of digital photographs as a compliance option for specific recordkeeping requirements in Method 22. On November 14, 2018, we incorporated this compliance option into Method 22 (63 FR 56713). Therefore, ALT–109 is no longer an alternative test method.


Peter Tsirigotis,
Director, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards.

**TABLE 1—APPROVED ALTERNATIVE TEST METHODS AND MODIFICATIONS TO TEST METHODS REFERENCED IN OR PUBLISHED UNDER APPENDICES IN 40 CFR PARTS 60, 61, AND 63 POSTED BETWEEN JANUARY 2020 AND DECEMBER 2020**

<table>
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<th>Alternative method decision letter/ memo number</th>
<th>As an alternative or modification to . . .</th>
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<td>ALT–136 ......................................</td>
<td>Gas Chromatography (GC) in Method 18.</td>
<td>Sources subject to 40 CFR parts 59, 60, 61, 63, and 65.</td>
<td>Use High-Performance Liquid Chromatograph (HPLC) to measure acetic acid, formic acid, and lactic acid under Method 18.</td>
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<td>ALT–138 ......................................</td>
<td>ASTM D6522–00 ................................</td>
<td>Sources subject to 40 CFR part 60, subpart JJJJ and 40 CFR part 63, subparts ZZZZ and DDDDD.</td>
<td>Use Method 30B-Determination of Total Vapor Phase Mercury Emissions from Coal-Fired Combustion Sources Using Carbon Sorbent Traps.</td>
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*Source owners or operators should review the specific broadly applicable alternative method approval letter at [https://www.epa.gov/emc/broadly-applicable-approved-alternative-test-methods](https://www.epa.gov/emc/broadly-applicable-approved-alternative-test-methods) before electing to employ any alternative test method.*

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**Certain New Chemicals or Significant New Uses; Statements of Findings for August 2019**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Section 5(g) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) requires EPA to publish in the Federal Register a statement of its findings after its review of TSCA section 5(a) notices when EPA makes a finding that a new chemical substance or significant new use is not likely to present an unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment. Such statements apply to premanufacture notices (PMNs), microbial commercial activity notices (MCANs), and significant new use notices (SNUNs) submitted to EPA under TSCA section 5. This document presents statements of findings made by EPA on TSCA section 5(a) notices during the period from August 1, 2019 to August 31, 2019.

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