

5.7 What happens if an Appendix E unit loses its peaking unit status?

If, at the end of any calendar year or ozone season, the capacity factor requirements in Table 11, above, have not been met for an Appendix E unit, its peaking unit status is lost at that point. When this happens, Part 75 requires a NO_x-diluent monitoring system to be installed and certified by December 31 of the calendar year following the year in which the peaking status is lost. For example, if, at the end of 2008, the 3-year average annual capacity factor of an Appendix E unit for 2006, 2007 and 2008 is determined to be 12.5%, then a NO_x-diluent CEMS must be installed and certified by December 31, 2009.³³

A unit which has previously qualified as a peaking unit but loses that status may qualify again as a peaking unit in a subsequent year or ozone season, but only if capacity factor data for a three year period following the loss of peaking status show that the unit once again meets the criteria in Table 11, above.