1.1 What is the purpose of this guide?

EPA has developed this plain-English guide as a "road map" to help interested parties navigate through the complex Part 75 continuous emission monitoring rule. This guide may be useful to people responsible for complying with the rule, regulatory agencies assessing compliance with the rule, and others who want a general understanding of the emissions monitoring approach used in emissions trading programs.

This guide, although quite comprehensive, does not replace the Part 75 rule. Rather, it provides a general overview of Part 75 and is intended to clarify the regulation. To gain a more complete understanding of the rule, it is necessary to carefully read and study Part 75, as well as the associated guidance documents issued by EPA, such as the "Part 75 Emissions Monitoring Policy Manual", "Part 75 Administrative Processes", and the "ECMPS Reporting Instructions"). For further information on EPA's emissions trading programs, continuous emissions monitoring, Part 75, and related topics, visit the EPA Clean Air Markets Division (CAMD) website at: www.epa.gov/airmarkets