

## Question 8.13

**Topic:** Reporting Requirements for Failed RATAs

**Question:** Must I report a failed or discontinued RATA?

**Answer:** The results of all completed and aborted RATAs which affect data validation must be reported. For example, when a RATA is aborted due to a problem with the CEMS, that RATA must be reported because the monitoring system is considered to be out-of-control as of the hour in which the test is discontinued. However, do not report tests that are discontinued for reasons unrelated to the monitors' performance (e.g., due to process upsets, unit outages, or a problem with the reference method used). Rather, keep records of these tests on site with the justification for why the test was invalidated.

Furthermore, for a monitoring system already out-of-control with respect to a failed or aborted RATA, subsequent RATA attempts that are failed or aborted need not be reported. Again, keep records of these tests on site as part of the test records and maintenance logs for the CEMS.

**References:** Appendix B, Section 2.3.2(h)

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