Question 11.6

Topic: Certification Application -- Paper Documentation

Question: It is easy to generate certification test results within a week or so in electronic format, but paper often takes much longer. Is there flexibility in the requirement for submission of the certification application 45 days after testing (especially for the extra paper copies)?

Answer: No. A complete application is due within 45 days. A unit will be out of compliance if it does not submit a complete application within 45 days. However, if a utility finds it cannot submit a complete application, then it would be prudent to submit the electronic data within the 45 day period and the hard copy information shortly thereafter. Note that EPA's 120 day review period will not begin until all paper documentation is received, thus completing the certification application. For recertification applications, the EPA Regional Office (and the applicable state and/or local agency) may waive the requirement to receive the hardcopy portion of the application. For both certification and recertification applications, the designated representative does not have to submit a hardcopy portion of the application to EPA Headquarters.

References: § 75.59, § 75.63

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