

## Question 12.4

**Topic:** Notification Requirements for Recertification Events

**Question:** Should a utility notify the state and EPA Regional Office of a recertification event? How much advance notice is required?

**Answer:** Yes, generally speaking, utilities must notify the State and the EPA Regional Office of a recertification event. However, for partial recertifications, where less than a full battery of recertification tests is required, the State or Region (or both) may, in accordance with § 75.61(a)(1)(iv), issue a waiver from the notification requirement of § 75.61 (a)(1)(ii).

For recertifications, the notification requirements are as follows:

\_ For *full* recertifications (where a complete battery of recertification tests is required), § 75.61(a)(1)(i) states that the source must provide notification of testing at least 21 days prior to the first scheduled day of testing. Notification may be provided either in writing, by telephone, or by email. In cases of emergency, § 75.61(a)(1)(i) also provides that "in emergency situations when full recertification testing is required following an uncontrollable failure of equipment that results in lost data, notice shall be sufficient if provided within two business days following the date when testing is scheduled."

\_ For *partial* recertifications (where less than a full battery of recertification tests is required), § 75.61(a)(1)(ii) states that the source must notify the EPA Regional Office and the State Office in writing, by telephone, or by email at least seven days prior to the first scheduled day of testing. For emergency situations, § 75.61(a)(1)(ii) has the same notification provision as § 75.61(a)(1)(i). Note that State and local environmental agencies may have notification requirements that differ from those in § 75.61(a), with which the utility must also comply.

**References:** § 75.20(b)(2), § 75.61(a)(1)(i), (ii) and (iv)

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