

## Question 18.2

**Topic:** Diesel-fired Units

**Question:** Is a combustion turbine firing #2 fuel oil considered a diesel-fired unit, and therefore, exempt from opacity monitoring requirements?

**Answer:** Yes. Number 2 fuel oil is included in the definition of “diesel fuel” in 40 CFR 72.2. A combustion turbine is considered to be a “diesel-fired” unit for the purposes of Part 75 if it combusts diesel fuel as its fuel oil, and uses only natural gas or gaseous fuel containing no more sulfur than natural gas as its supplementary fuel (if any). Under §75.14(d), diesel-fired units are exempt from opacity monitoring.

**References:** § 72.2, §75.14(d)

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