## **Question 22.1**

**Topic:** Purpose of Common Stack NO<sub>x</sub> Apportionment Policy

**Question:** What is the purpose of this policy?

**Answer:** If you have a common stack exhaust configuration consisting of either:

- (1) a group of NO<sub>x</sub> affected units; or
- (2) a combination of NO<sub>x</sub> affected units and NO<sub>x</sub> nonaffected units; or
- (3) a combination of Acid Rain units and non-Acid Rain units, *and if* you wish to use common stack NO<sub>x</sub> apportionment to determine unit-specific NO<sub>x</sub> emission rates (see options I.B (3), II.B, and III.B under Background section, above), this policy provides guidance on emissions monitoring and reporting.

Common stack NO<sub>x</sub> apportionment is a methodology by which unit-specific NO<sub>x</sub> emission rates are determined for a group of units that exhaust into a common stack, without monitoring each unit in the group separately.

You must petition the Administrator under § 75.66 for permission to use common stack NO<sub>x</sub> apportionment. If your petition is consistent with the provisions of this policy, you have reasonable assurance that the petition will be approved and your monitoring will be consistent with other facilities using common stack NO<sub>x</sub> apportionment.

**References:** § 75.17(a), § 75.17(b), § 75.66

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