

Ask the Inspector: Clean Air Act Compliance

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Clean Air Act Inspections

- What inspectors look for
 - Permits
 - Applicable regulations
 - Sources of air emissions
 - Air pollution control technology
 - Records, emissions testing data

How the Clean Air Act Regulations May Apply to Your Facility

- Permits Title V, Permits to Install/Operate
- Area Source Regulations & Guidance: www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/area/arearules.html
- Asbestos Demolition, Renovation, & Disposal
- Generators/Engines NESHAP & NSPS Regulations
- CFCs –Industrial Leak Rate Regulations

Permits

- Title V Major Sources, some Area Sources
- Operating Permits
 - Area sources
 - Conditions wrapped into Title V
- Subject Process Units Boilers, Furnaces,
 Incinerators, Generators
 - Any sources of air emissions need to be considered
 - Inspectors finding incomplete permits

Permit Content

- Air Pollution Control Devices Baghouses,
 Scrubbers, Thermal Oxidizers
- Operating limits
- Testing requirements
- Recordkeeping and reporting
 - Inspectors find incomplete and/or inaccurate records and reports
 - Permits may be incomplete: So know your Regs!

Asbestos Regulations

- Section 112 of Clean Air Act regulates Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs)
 - National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAPs)
- 40 CFR Part 61, Subpart M National Emission Standards for Asbestos (Asbestos NESHAP) www.epa.gov/asbestos
- Inspectors find violations regarding notification, improper removal, labeling, and disposal

Asbestos NESHAP

- Asbestos NESHAP Demolition, Renovation, Disposal
 - Category I, Category II, and Friable
- Reporting Requirements
 - Report if asbestos is present, how much is being handled, and how it will be handled
- Safe Handling and Disposal
 - Adequately wet guidance
 - Packaged and labeled, sent to appropriate landfill

Reciprocating Internal Combustion Engines (RICE)

- NESHAP for <u>Stationary</u> RICE
 - 40 CFR Part 63, Subpart ZZZZ
 - Applicability flowchart at:
 www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/rice/flowchart applicability.ppt
- NSPS for <u>Stationary</u> Compression Ignition (CI) RICE
 - 40 CFR part 60 subpart IIII
- NSPS for <u>Stationary</u> Spark Ignition (SI) RICE
 - 40 CFR part 60 subpart JJJJ

Summary of Requirements for all 3 regulations at: www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/rice/requirements 10-8-2010.xls
Applicability Determinations Index (ADI) at: http://cfpub.epa.gov/adi/

How Are These Rules Different?

RICE NESHAP

- Applies to existing, new, and reconstructed stationary engines (both CI and SI)
- Includes emergency engines
- Focus is air toxics

CI/SI NSPS

- Applies to new, modified, and reconstructed stationary CI/SI engines
- Includes emergency engines
- Focus is criteria pollutants
- Applicability, Control Measures & Reporting/Recordkeeping
 Requirements vary for Major and Area Sources of HAPs

RICE NESHAP: 2010

	AREA SOURCES		MAJOR SOURCES		
	NEW	EXISTING	NEW	EXISTING	
> 500 HP	2008 rule	2010 rules	2004 rule	2004 rule	
				2010 rule (non-emergency CI)	
	NEW	EXISTING	NEW	EXISTING	
≤ 500 HP	2008 rule	2010 rules	2008 rule	2010 rules	

2004: Covered >500HP at major sources

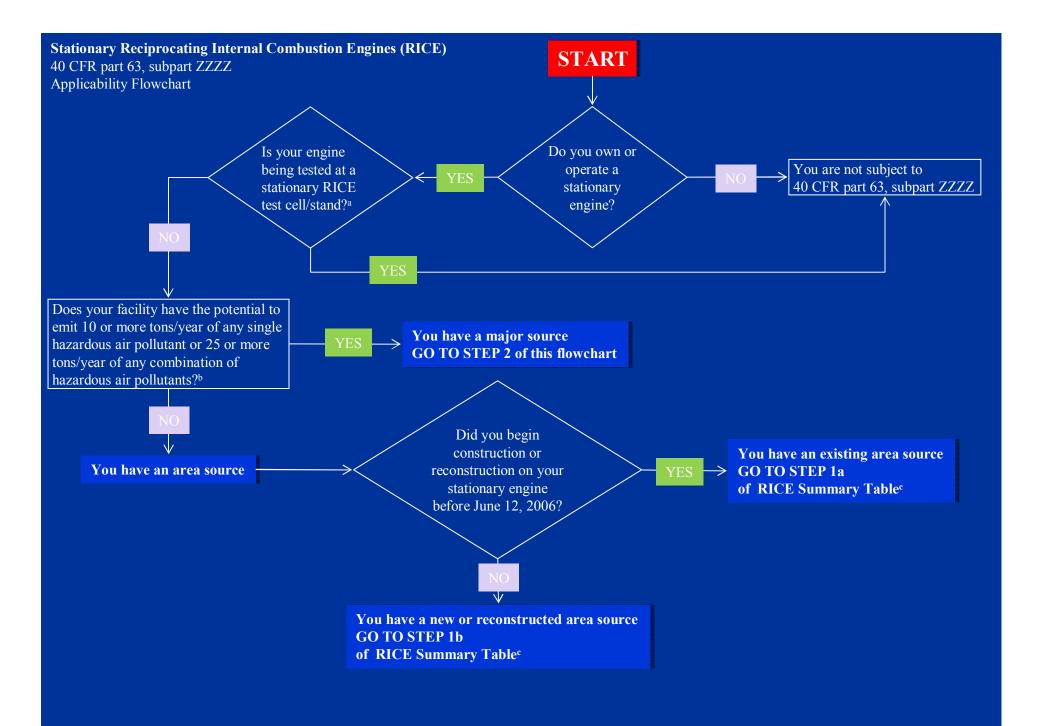
2008: Added new engines <=500HP at majors plus all new engines at area sources

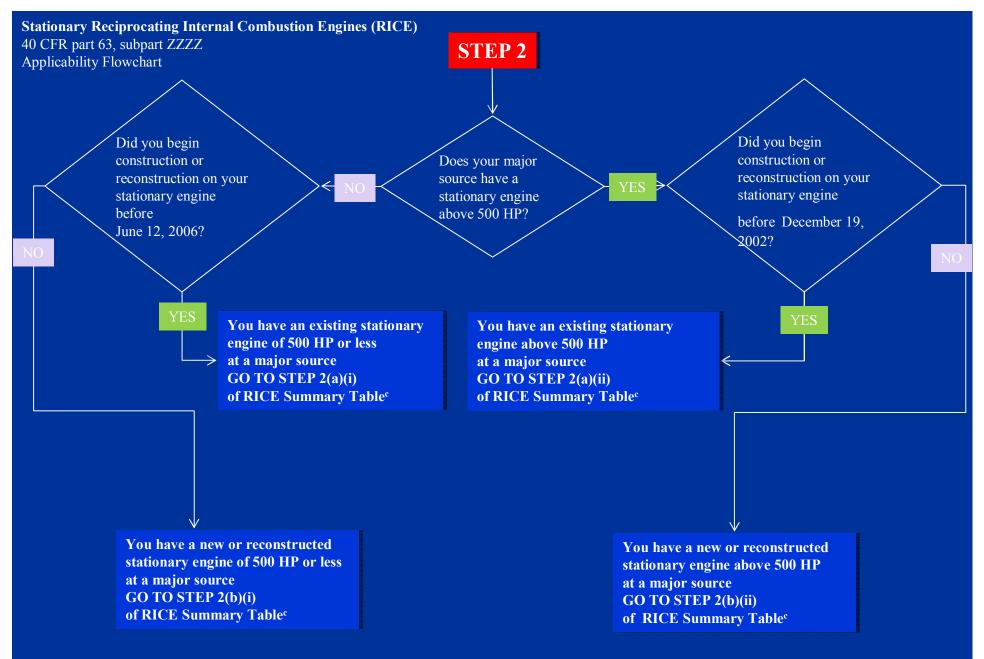
2010: Added existing engines ≤ 500 HP located at major sources, all existing engines at area

sources, and existing non-emergency CI engines >500 HP at major sources

Common RICE Violations

- Emergency generator need to have hour meters
 - Limited amount of time in operation to be considered emergency generator
- In cases where facility sells its power, cannot be considered emergency generator any longer
 - Subject to more regulations than emergency generator
- Improper recordkeeping regarding operating hours and fuel usage
 - Rolling 12-month averages





^cThe RICE Summary Table of Requirements provides additional information on 40 CFR part 63, subpart ZZZZ requirements and is available at http://www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/rice/ricepg.html.

Footnotes From Flowchart 1:

^aAn engine test cell/stand is any apparatus used for testing uninstalled stationary or uninstalled mobile (motive) engines.

bFor assistance in determining the potential to emit, please refer to http://www.epa.gov/ttn/chief/ap42/index.html or contact your EPA regional office or state permitting staff. To determine the potential to emit, you may use emission factors from http://www.epa.gov/ttn/chief/ap42/ch03/index.html, test data, or other published information.

Chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs)

- Section 608 of the Clean Air Act
- Protection of the Stratospheric Ozone 40 CFR Part 82,
 Subpart F, Recycling and Emissions Reduction
 - Stationary Refrigeration Information
 www.epa.gov/ozone/title6/608/index.html
 - Industrial Leak Rates Guidance
 www.epa.gov/ozone/title6/608/compguid/compguid.html
- Inspectors find incomplete records, no records onsite for recovery equipment, technician certification

Benefits of Repair & Recovery

- Environmental protection
 - CFCs (e.g. R-12) and HCFCs (e.g. R-22) are Ozone-Depleting Substances (ODS)
 - HFCs (e.g. 134a) have Global Warming Potential
- Section 608 prohibits knowingly venting of any ODS or its substitutes
 - Not repairing a known leak is considered "knowingly venting"
 - May result in enforcement action

Leak Rate Regulations

- Equipment that contains a CFC or HCFC refrigerant with full charge more than 50 lbs
- When a leak is found and refrigerant added, a leak rate must be calculated
- If leak rate is triggered, repairs are required within 30 days

Leak Rates

Appliance Type	Trigger Leak Rate
Commercial refrigeration	35%
Industrial process refrigeration	35%
Comfort cooling	15%
All other appliances	15%

Leak Rate Calculation

- Mannual Leak Rate = [lbs of refrigerant added/lbs of Full Charge]*[365/# of days since refrigerant last added]x100
- If leak rate is triggered, repairs are required within 30 days, or a retrofit or retirement plan must be developed within 30 days

Retrofit Option

- Alternative to repairing the leak
- Need to write a retrofit plan and keep on site
- Need to execute plan within one year
- Need to retrofit to a lower ODS-containing refrigerant or HFC

Recordkeeping

- Date and unit added refrigerant
- Amount and type of refrigerant added
- Location of leak and repair
- Calculated leak rate
- Type of initial verification
- Date and type of follow-up verification
- Maintain all records for three years

Those CFC Web Sites Again!

- Stationary Refrigeration Information
 - Fact sheets, technician certification, recovery equipment certification form www.epa.gov/ozone/title6/608/index.html
 - Industrial Leak Rates Guidance
 www.epa.gov/ozone/title6/608/compguid/compguid.html

Other Common Violations Found at Federal Facilities

- Hospital/Medical/Infectious Waste Incinerators
 - Improperly operated, burning unpermitted waste
 - www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/129/hmiwi/rihmiwi.html#RULE
 - www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/129/hmiwi/hmiwi brochure.pdf
- Degreasing Operations
- Covers left open, improper VOC calculations
- Boilers
 - Late or no notification, late stack testing, no fuel quality reports and/or fuel quality certifications
- Regulations & Guidance:
 <u>www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/mactfnlalph.html</u>

Questions?



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