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Quality Assurance Requirements for Continuous Opacity Monitoring Systems at Stationary Sources

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule; announcement of extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: The EPA is extending the comment period for the proposed rule titled, "Quality Assurance Requirements for Continuous Opacity Monitoring Systems at Stationary Sources" that was published in the Federal Register on February 14, 2012. The proposed rule accompanied the direct final rule that was also published on February 14, 2012. The 30-day comment period in the proposed rule is scheduled to end on March 15, 2012. The extended comment period will close on April 30, 2012. The EPA is extending the comment period because of a request we received in a timely manner.

DATES: The comment period for the proposed rule published February 14, 2012 (77 FR 8209), is extended. Comments must be received on or before April 30, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2010-0873 by one of the following methods:

- *www.regulations.gov*: Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.
- Email: *a-and-r-docket@epa.gov*.
- Fax: (202) 566-9744.
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Environmental Protection Agency, Mailcode: 2822T, 1200
Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20460.
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Instructions: Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2010-0873. The EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change and may be made available online at *www.regulations.gov*, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through *www.regulations.gov* or email. The *www.regulations.gov* website is an "anonymous access" system, which means the EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you

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A. What should I consider as I prepare my comments for EPA?

1. Submitting CBI. Do not submit this information to the EPA through *http://www.regulations.gov* or email. Send or deliver information identified as CBI only to the following address: Roberto Morales, U.S. EPA, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Mail Code C404-02, Research Triangle Park, NC 27711, telephone: (919) 541-0880, email: *morales.roberto@epa.gov*, Attention Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2010-0873. Clearly mark any of the information that you claim to be CBI. For CBI information in a disk or CD-ROM that you mail to the EPA, mark the outside of the disk or CD-ROM as CBI and then identify electronically within the disk or CD-ROM the specific information that is claimed as CBI. In addition to one complete version of the comment that includes information claimed as CBI, a copy of the comment that does not contain the information claimed as

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- Describe any assumptions and provide any technical information and/or data that you used.
- If you estimate potential costs or burdens, explain how you arrived at your estimate in sufficient detail to allow for it to be reproduced.
- Provide specific examples to illustrate your concerns, and suggest alternatives.
- Explain your views as clearly as possible, avoiding the use of profanity or personal threats.

- Make sure to submit your comments by the comment period deadline identified.

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