



HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTION 42706 CONTINUOUS EMISSIONS MONITORING - REPORTING

The purpose of this advisory is to remind all parties involved, of the reporting requirements of the Health and Safety Code Section 42706. Staff of the Air Resources Board (ARB) is concerned that even though the reporting requirement of Health and Safety Code Section 42706 is mandatory, compliance with the requirements has not been satisfactory in some districts.

Health and Safety Code Section 42706 states “Any violation of any emission standard to which the stationary source is required to conform, as indicated by the records of the monitoring device, shall be reported by the operator of the source to the district within 96 hours after such occurrence. The district shall, in turn, report the violation to the state board within five working days after receiving the report of the violation from the operator.”

In the past, all parties involved were advised of the minimum information needed to comply with this requirement, yet some of the reports received do not contain the required information. To ensure uniformity with the reporting requirement, sources should include the following in their reports:

- Facility ID (same ID used for the facility’s Emissions Inventory)
- Facility Name and location, not the office address
- Date of occurrence and violation
- Emission unit involved
- Pollutant monitored
- Permitted Emissions limit
- Amount of Excess Emissions
- Action taken or planned by the source
- Action taken or planned by the District (A follow-up report should be submitted when no action has been taken at the time of the report. Also, the report should include among other things, how many times the emissions unit has been involved.

If you have any questions, please contact my staff, Carl Brown at (916) 324-7659 or Simeon Okoroike, P.E. at (916) 327-3529.

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