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(e) Calculate the CO_2 rejection ratio (CO_2RR) from:

 $CO_2RR = (ppm CO_2)/AR$

\$86.327-79 Quench checks; NO $_{\rm X}$ analyzer.

- (a) Perform the reaction chamber quench check for each model of high vacuum reaction chamber analyzer prior to initial use.
- (b) Perform the reaction chamber quench check for each new analyzer that has an ambient pressure or "soft vacuum" reaction chamber prior to initial use. Additionally, perform this check prior to reusing an analyzer of this type any time any repairs could potentially alter any flow rate into the reaction chamber. This includes, but is not limited to, sample capillary, ozone capillary, and if used, dilution capillary.
 - (c) Quench check as follows:
- (1) Calibrate the $NO_{\rm X}$ analyzer on the lowest range that will be used for testing.
- (2) Introduce a mixture of CO_2 calibration gas and NO_X calibration gas to the CL analyzer. Dynamic blending may be used to provide this mixture. Dynamic blending may be accomplished by analyzing the CO_2 in the mixture. The change in the CO_2 value due to blending may then be used to determine the true concentration of the NO_X in the mixture. The CO_2 concentration of the mixture shall be approximately equal to the highest concentration experienced during testing. Record the response.
- (3) Recheck the calibration. If it has changed more than ±1 percent of full scale, recalibrate and repeat the quench check.
- (4) Prior to testing, the difference between the calculated NO_X response and the response of NO_X in the presence of CO_2 (step 2) must not be greater than 3.0 percent of full-scale. The calculated NO_X response is based on the calibration performed in step (1).

(Secs. 206, 301(a), Clean Air Act as amended (42 U.S.C. 7525, 7601(a)))

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§86.328-79 Leak checks.

- (a) Vacuum side leak check. (1) Any location within the analysis system where a vacuum leak could affect the test results must be checked.
- (2) The maximum allowable leakage rate on the vacuum side is 0.5 percent of the in-use flow rate for the portion of the system being checked. the analyzer flows and bypass flows may be used to estimate the in-use flow rates.
- (3) The sample probe and the connection between the sample probe and valve V2 (Figure D79-1) may be excluded from the leak check.
- (b) *Pressure side leak check.* (1) The maximum allowable leakage rate on the pressure side in 5 percent of the inuse flow rate.
- (2) Option: If the flow rate for each flow meter is equal to or greater than the flow rate recorded in §86.329(b)(1)(ii), then a pressure side leak check is not required.

§86.329-79 System response time; check procedure.

- (a) Check the system response time by the following procedure:
- (1) Stabilize the operating temperature of the sample line, sample pump, and heated filters.
- (2) Introduce an HC span gas into the sampling system at the sample probe or valve V2 at atmospheric pressure. Simultaneously, start the time measurement.
- (3) When the HC instrument response is 95 percent of the span gas concentration used, stop the time measurement.
- (4) If the elapsed time is more than 20.0 seconds, make necessary adjustments.
- (5) Repeat with the CO, CO_2 , and NO_X instruments and span gases.
- (b) *Option*. If the following parameters are determined, the initial system response time may be generally applied to future checks.
- (1) Analyzer and bypass flow rates. (i) Determine by experimentation the minimum analyzer and bypass flow rates individually and in combination that will produce a response time as close as possible to 20.0 seconds per paragraph (a) of this section.
- (ii) Record the highest minimum flow rate for each flow meter as determined in step (i).

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- (2) Capillary flow analyzers. This procedure is applicable only to analyzers that have sample capillaries such as the HFID and CL analyzers. It is also assumed that the system has sample/span valves that perform the function of valves V9 and V13 in Figure D79-1.
- (i) Operate the analyzer(s) at the inuse capillary pressure.
- (ii) Adjust the bypass flow rate to the flow rate recorded in paragraph (b)(1)(ii) of this section.

(iii) Measure and record the response time from the sample/span valve(s) per paragraph (a) of this section.

- (iv) The response time (step (iii)) can be determined by switching from the "sample" position to the "span" position of the sample/span valve and observing the analyzer response on a chart recorder. Normally, the "sample" position would select a "room air" sample and the "span" position would select a span gas.
- (v) Adjust the bypass flow rate to the normal in-use value.
- (vi) Measure and record the response time from the sample/span valve(s) per paragraph (a) of this section.
- (vii) Determine the slowest response time (step (iii) or step (iv)) and add 2 seconds to it.

$\$\,86.330\text{--}79~$ NDIR analyzer calibration.

- (a) Detector optimization. If necessary, follow the manufacturer's instructions for initial start-up and basic operating adjustments.
- (b) *Calibration curve.* Develop a calibration curve for each range used as follows:
 - (1) Zero the analyzer.
- (2) Span the analyzer to give a response of approximately 90 percent of full-scale chart deflection.
- (3) Recheck the zero response. If it has changed more than 0.5 percent of full scale, repeat steps (1) and (2).
- (4) Record the response of calibration gases having nominal concentrations of

- 15, 30, 45, 60, 75, and 90 percent of full-scale concentration.
- (5) Generate a calibration curve. The calibration curve shall be of fourth order or less, have five or fewer coefficients, and be of the form of equation (1) or (2). Include zero as a data point. Compensation for known impurities in the zero gas can be made to the zero-data point. The calibration curve must fit the data points within 2 percent of point or 1 percent of full scale, whichever is less.

$$y = Ax^4 + Bx^3 + Cx^2 + Dx + E \tag{1}$$

$$y = \frac{x}{Ax^4 + Bx^3 + Cx^2 + Dx + E}$$
 (2)

where

y = concentration

x =chart deflection

- (6) Option. A new calibration curve need not be generated if: (i) A calibration curve conforming to step (5) exists; (ii) The responses generated in step (4) are within 1 percent of full scale or 2 percent of point, whichever is cless, of the responses predicted by the calibration curve for the gases used in step (4).
- (7) If multiple range analyzers are used, only the lowest range must meet the curve fit requirements below 15 percent of full scale.
- (c) If any range is within 2 percent of being linear a linear calibration may be used. To determine if this criterion is met:
- (1) Perform a linear least-square regression on the data generated. Use an equation of the form y = mx, where x is the actual chart deflection and y is the concentration.
- (2) Use the equation z = y/m to find the linear chart deflection (z) for each calibration gas concentration (y).
- (3) Determine the linearity (%L) for each calibration gas by:

Percent
$$L = \frac{(z - x)}{\text{Full-scale linear chart deflection}}$$
 (100)