

## Environmental Protection Agency

## § 86.339-79

and the span traces for each range used.

(3) Ambient temperature in the dynamometer testing room (gasoline-fueled engines only).

(4) Total number of hours of operation accumulated on the engine.

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### § 86.338-79 Exhaust measurement accuracy.

(a) The analyzers must be operated between 15 percent and 100 percent of full-scale chart deflection during the measurement of the emissions for each mode. The exceptions to the lower limit of this operating rule are:

(1) The analyzer's response may be less than 15 percent of full-scale if the full-scale value is 155 ppm (or ppm C) or less.

(2) *Option.* For CO analysis the analyzer's response may be less than 15 percent of full scale if the full-scale value is 5500 ppm or less.

(3) The analyzer's response may be less than 15 percent of full scale if the emissions from the engine are erratic and the average chart-deflection value is greater than 15 percent of full scale.

(4) For gasoline-fueled engines, the analyzer's response may be less than 15 percent of full scale during the initial part of the CT mode provided that average chart-deflection value is greater than 15 percent of full scale.

(5) The analyzer's response may be less than 15 percent of full scale if the contribution of all modes read below the 15 percent level is less than 10 percent by mass of the final test results.

(6) The HC analyzer's response may be less than 15 percent of full-scale when transient emissions (spikes) can be reasonably expected to exceed 90 percent of full-scale. Higher analyzer ranges may be used provided that the precision and linearity of the analyzer at the level of the readings below 15 percent meets the specifications of the range that would be required if the transient emissions did not exist.

(b) [Reserved]

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

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### § 86.339-79 Pre-test procedures.

(a) Allow a minimum of 30 minutes warm-up in the stand-by or operating mode prior to spanning the analyzers.

(b) Replace or clean the filter elements and then vacuum leak check the system, § 86.328(a). A pressure leak check is also permitted per § 86.328(b). Allow the heated sample line, filters, and pumps to reach operating temperature.

(c) Perform the following system checks:

(1) If a stainless steel NO<sub>2</sub> to NO converter is used, prior to gasoline-fueled engine tests, purge the converter with air (zero-grade air, room air, or O<sub>2</sub>) for a minimum of 30 minutes. The converter must be at operational temperature while purging.

(2) Check the sample-line temperature (see § 86.310).

(3) Check the system response time (see § 86.329). System response time may be applied from the most recent check of response time if all of the following are met:

(i) The flow rate for each flow meter is equal to or greater than the flow rate recorded in § 86.329(b)(1)(ii).

(ii) For analyzers with capillaries, the response time from the sample/span valve is measured using in-use pressures and bypass flows (see § 86.329(b)(2)).

(iii) The response time measured in step (ii) is equal to or less than the response time determined in § 86.329(b)(2)(vii).

(4) A hang-up check is permitted.

(5) A converter-efficiency check is permitted. The check need not conform to § 86.332(b). The test procedure may be aborted at this point in the procedure in order to repair the NO<sub>2</sub> to NO converter. If the test is aborted, the converter must pass the efficiency check described in § 86.332(b) prior to starting the dynamometer test run.

(d) Introduce the zero-grade gases at the same flow rates and pressures used to calibrate the analyzers and zero the