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NO<sub>x</sub> allowances deducted for actual utilization for units under § 96.4(a)(1) = (Unit's NO<sub>x</sub> allowances allocated for control period) – (Unit's actual control period utilization × 0.15 lb/mmBtu); and

NO<sub>x</sub> allowances deducted for actual utilization for units under § 96.4(a)(2) = (Unit's NO<sub>x</sub> allowances allocated for control period) – (Unit's actual control period utilization × 0.17 lb/mmBtu)

Where:

"Unit's NO<sub>x</sub> allowances allocated for control period" is the number of NO<sub>x</sub> allowances allocated to the unit for the control period under paragraph (d) of this section; and

"Unit's actual control period utilization" is the utilization (in mmBtu), as defined in § 96.2, of the unit during the control period.

(f) After making the deductions for compliance under § 96.54(b) or (e) for a control period, the Administrator will notify the permitting authority whether any NO<sub>x</sub> allowances remain in the allocation set-aside for the control period. The permitting authority will allocate any such NO<sub>x</sub> allowances to the NO<sub>x</sub> Budget units in the State using the following formula and rounding to the nearest whole NO<sub>x</sub> allowance as appropriate:

Unit's share of NO<sub>x</sub> allowances remaining in allocation set-aside = Total NO<sub>x</sub> allowances remaining in allocation set-aside × (Unit's NO<sub>x</sub> allowance allocation ÷ State trading program budget excluding allocation set-aside)

Where:

"Total NO<sub>x</sub> allowances remaining in allocation set-aside" is the total number of NO<sub>x</sub> allowances remaining in the allocation set-aside for the control period to which the allocation set-aside applies;

"Unit's NO<sub>x</sub> allowance allocation" is the number of NO<sub>x</sub> allowances allocated under paragraph (b) or (c) of this section to the unit for the control period to which the allocation set-aside applies; and

"State trading program budget excluding allocation set-aside" is the State trading program budget under § 96.40 for the control period to which the allocation set-aside applies multiplied by 95 percent if the control period is in 2003, 2004, or 2005 or 98 percent if the control period is in any year there-

after, rounded to the nearest whole NO<sub>x</sub> allowance as appropriate.

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### Subpart F—NO<sub>x</sub> Allowance Tracking System

#### § 96.50 NO<sub>x</sub> Allowance Tracking System accounts.

(a) *Nature and function of compliance accounts and overdraft accounts.* Consistent with § 96.51(a), the Administrator will establish one compliance account for each NO<sub>x</sub> Budget unit and one overdraft account for each source with one or more NO<sub>x</sub> Budget units. Allocations of NO<sub>x</sub> allowances pursuant to subpart E of this part or § 96.88 and deductions or transfers of NO<sub>x</sub> allowances pursuant to § 96.31, § 96.54, § 96.56, subpart G of this part, or subpart I of this part will be recorded in the compliance accounts or overdraft accounts in accordance with this subpart.

(b) *Nature and function of general accounts.* Consistent with § 96.51(b), the Administrator will establish, upon request, a general account for any person. Transfers of allowances pursuant to subpart G of this part will be recorded in the general account in accordance with this subpart.

#### § 96.51 Establishment of accounts.

(a) *Compliance accounts and overdraft accounts.* Upon receipt of a complete account certificate of representation under § 96.13, the Administrator will establish:

(1) A compliance account for each NO<sub>x</sub> Budget unit for which the account certificate of representation was submitted; and

(2) An overdraft account for each source for which the account certificate of representation was submitted and that has two or more NO<sub>x</sub> Budget units.

(b) *General accounts.* (1) Any person may apply to open a general account for the purpose of holding and transferring allowances. A complete application for a general account shall be submitted to the Administrator and shall include the following elements in a format prescribed by the Administrator:

(i) Name, mailing address, e-mail address (if any), telephone number, and

facsimile transmission number (if any) of the NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative and any alternate NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative;

(ii) At the option of the NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative, organization name and type of organization;

(iii) A list of all persons subject to a binding agreement for the NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative or any alternate NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative to represent their ownership interest with respect to the allowances held in the general account;

(iv) The following certification statement by the NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative and any alternate NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative: "I certify that I was selected as the NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative or the NO<sub>x</sub> alternate authorized account representative, as applicable, by an agreement that is binding on all persons who have an ownership interest with respect to allowances held in the general account. I certify that I have all the necessary authority to carry out my duties and responsibilities under the NO<sub>x</sub> Budget Trading Program on behalf of such persons and that each such person shall be fully bound by my representations, actions, inactions, or submissions and by any order or decision issued to me by the Administrator or a court regarding the general account."

(v) The signature of the NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative and any alternate NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative and the dates signed.

(vi) Unless otherwise required by the permitting authority or the Administrator, documents of agreement referred to in the account certificate of representation shall not be submitted to the permitting authority or the Administrator. Neither the permitting authority nor the Administrator shall be under any obligation to review or evaluate the sufficiency of such documents, if submitted.

(2) Upon receipt by the Administrator of a complete application for a general account under paragraph (b)(1) of this section:

(i) The Administrator will establish a general account for the person or persons for whom the application is submitted.

(ii) The NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative and any alternate NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative for the general account shall represent and, by his or her representations, actions, inactions, or submissions, legally bind each person who has an ownership interest with respect to NO<sub>x</sub> allowances held in the general account in all matters pertaining to the NO<sub>x</sub> Budget Trading Program, not withstanding any agreement between the NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative or any alternate NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative and such person. Any such person shall be bound by any order or decision issued to the NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative or any alternate NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative by the Administrator or a court regarding the general account.

(iii) Each submission concerning the general account shall be submitted, signed, and certified by the NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative or any alternate NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative for the persons having an ownership interest with respect to NO<sub>x</sub> allowances held in the general account. Each such submission shall include the following certification statement by the NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative or any alternate NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative any: "I am authorized to make this submission on behalf of the persons having an ownership interest with respect to the NO<sub>x</sub> allowances held in the general account. I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined, and am familiar with, the statements and information submitted in this document and all its attachments. Based on my inquiry of those individuals with primary responsibility for obtaining the information, I certify that the statements and information are to the best of my knowledge and belief true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false statements and information or omitting required statements and information, including the possibility of fine or imprisonment."

(iv) The Administrator will accept or act on a submission concerning the general account only if the submission has been made, signed, and certified in

accordance with paragraph (b)(2)(iii) of this section.

(3)(i) An application for a general account may designate one and only one NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative and one and only one alternate NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative who may act on behalf of the NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative. The agreement by which the alternate NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative is selected shall include a procedure for authorizing the alternate NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative to act in lieu of the NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative.

(ii) Upon receipt by the Administrator of a complete application for a general account under paragraph (b)(1) of this section, any representation, action, inaction, or submission by any alternate NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative shall be deemed to be a representation, action, inaction, or submission by the NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative.

(4)(i) The NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative for a general account may be changed at any time upon receipt by the Administrator of a superseding complete application for a general account under paragraph (b)(1) of this section. Notwithstanding any such change, all representations, actions, inactions, and submissions by the previous NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative prior to the time and date when the Administrator receives the superseding application for a general account shall be binding on the new NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative and the persons with an ownership interest with respect to the allowances in the general account.

(ii) The alternate NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative for a general account may be changed at any time upon receipt by the Administrator of a superseding complete application for a general account under paragraph (b)(1) of this section. Notwithstanding any such change, all representations, actions, inactions, and submissions by the previous alternate NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative prior to the time and date when the Administrator receives the superseding application for a general account shall be binding on the new alternate NO<sub>x</sub> authorized

account representative and the persons with an ownership interest with respect to the allowances in the general account.

(iii)(A) In the event a new person having an ownership interest with respect to NO<sub>x</sub> allowances in the general account is not included in the list of such persons in the account certificate of representation, such new person shall be deemed to be subject to and bound by the account certificate of representation, the representation, actions, inactions, and submissions of the NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative and any alternate NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative of the source or unit, and the decisions, orders, actions, and inactions of the Administrator, as if the new person were included in such list.

(B) Within 30 days following any change in the persons having an ownership interest with respect to NO<sub>x</sub> allowances in the general account, including the addition of persons, the NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative or any alternate NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative shall submit a revision to the application for a general account amending the list of persons having an ownership interest with respect to the NO<sub>x</sub> allowances in the general account to include the change.

(5)(i) Once a complete application for a general account under paragraph (b)(1) of this section has been submitted and received, the Administrator will rely on the application unless and until a superseding complete application for a general account under paragraph (b)(1) of this section is received by the Administrator.

(ii) Except as provided in paragraph (b)(4) of this section, no objection or other communication submitted to the Administrator concerning the authorization, or any representation, action, inaction, or submission of the NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative or any alternate NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative for a general account shall affect any representation, action, inaction, or submission of the NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative or any alternate NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative or the finality of any decision or order by the Administrator

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under the NO<sub>x</sub> Budget Trading Program.

(iii) The Administrator will not adjudicate any private legal dispute concerning the authorization or any representation, action, inaction, or submission of the NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative or any alternate NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative for a general account, including private legal disputes concerning the proceeds of NO<sub>x</sub> allowance transfers.

(c) *Account identification.* The Administrator will assign a unique identifying number to each account established under paragraph (a) or (b) of this section.

**§ 96.52 NO<sub>x</sub> Allowance Tracking System responsibilities of NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative.**

(a) Following the establishment of a NO<sub>x</sub> Allowance Tracking System account, all submissions to the Administrator pertaining to the account, including, but not limited to, submissions concerning the deduction or transfer of NO<sub>x</sub> allowances in the account, shall be made only by the NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative for the account.

(b) *Authorized account representative identification.* The Administrator will assign a unique identifying number to each NO<sub>x</sub> authorized account representative.

**§ 96.53 Recordation of NO<sub>x</sub> allowance allocations.**

(a) The Administrator will record the NO<sub>x</sub> allowances for 2003 in the NO<sub>x</sub> Budget units' compliance accounts and the allocation set-asides, as allocated under subpart E of this part. The Administrator will also record the NO<sub>x</sub> allowances allocated under § 96.88(a)(1) for each NO<sub>x</sub> Budget opt-in source in its compliance account.

(b) Each year, after the Administrator has made all deductions from a NO<sub>x</sub> Budget unit's compliance account and the overdraft account pursuant to § 96.54, the Administrator will record NO<sub>x</sub> allowances, as allocated to the unit under subpart E of this part or under § 96.88(a)(2), in the compliance account for the year after the last year for which allowances were previously allocated to the compliance account.

Each year, the Administrator will also record NO<sub>x</sub> allowances, as allocated under subpart E of this part, in the allocation set-aside for the year after the last year for which allowances were previously allocated to an allocation set-aside.

(c) *Serial numbers for allocated NO<sub>x</sub> allowances.* When allocating NO<sub>x</sub> allowances to and recording them in an account, the Administrator will assign each NO<sub>x</sub> allowance a unique identification number that will include digits identifying the year for which the NO<sub>x</sub> allowance is allocated.

**§ 96.54 Compliance.**

(a) *NO<sub>x</sub> allowance transfer deadline.* The NO<sub>x</sub> allowances are available to be deducted for compliance with a unit's NO<sub>x</sub> Budget emissions limitation for a control period in a given year only if the NO<sub>x</sub> allowances:

(1) Were allocated for a control period in a prior year or the same year; and

(2) Are held in the unit's compliance account, or the overdraft account of the source where the unit is located, as of the NO<sub>x</sub> allowance transfer deadline for that control period or are transferred into the compliance account or overdraft account by a NO<sub>x</sub> allowance transfer correctly submitted for recordation under § 96.60 by the NO<sub>x</sub> allowance transfer deadline for that control period.

(b) *Deductions for compliance.* (1) Following the recordation, in accordance with § 96.61, of NO<sub>x</sub> allowance transfers submitted for recordation in the unit's compliance account or the overdraft account of the source where the unit is located by the NO<sub>x</sub> allowance transfer deadline for a control period, the Administrator will deduct NO<sub>x</sub> allowances available under paragraph (a) of this section to cover the unit's NO<sub>x</sub> emissions (as determined in accordance with subpart H of this part), or to account for actual utilization under § 96.42(e), for the control period:

(i) From the compliance account; and  
(ii) Only if no more NO<sub>x</sub> allowances available under paragraph (a) of this section remain in the compliance account, from the overdraft account. In deducting allowances for units at the source from the overdraft account, the