

The Emission Factors and Inventory Group (EFIG) has modified the NEI Input Format (NIF) V3.0 and specific user materials to reflect the following:

1. Correct length for field Tribal Code. Tribal Code is the last field at the bottom of every NIF record and the field width is revised from 4 to 3 to match that standard length in the EPA Environmental Data Registry (EDR).
2. Change in implementation convention for Tribal Code and the State and County FIPS Code so that both are used as primary key fields on every NIF record and require the user to report a value, either from the respective code tables or the appropriate placeholder value specified.
3. Use of scientific notation to report Emission Numeric Value in the NIF Emission records.
4. Correct spelling of one field name in the MS Access file for NIF V3.0.
5. Correct spelling of one field name in the NIF V3.0 Code table - Horizontal Collection Method.

The changes above are described in detail in an Errata for the NIF V3.0 User Guide, as well as summarized for quick reference in a Readme file.

The revised NIF V3.0 materials are now labeled with the revised date of November 2003 and are posted on <http://www.epa.gov/ttn/chief/nif/index.html>.

All NIF users should download and use the NIF V3.0 specifications and user materials, revised November 2003.

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