

FACT SHEET

Method 301 – Field Validation of Pollutant Measurement Methods from Various Waste Media

ACTION

- On May 10, 2011 the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency revised its field validation procedure known as Method 301.
- Method 301 is used when a source owner or operator proposes to use a new or alternative test method to meet an EPA compliance requirement. The method specifies procedures for determining and documenting the precision and bias of measured concentrations from various media (e.g., sludge, exhaust gas, and wastewater) at the level of an applicable standard for a source.

BACKGROUND

- Based on experience in applying the method and to correct errors that were brought to the agency's attention, EPA proposed amendments to Method 301 on December 22, 2004.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

- Interested parties can download the rule from EPA's web site on the Internet under Recent Actions at the following address: <http://www.epa.gov/ttn/oarpg>.
- For further information about the rulemaking, contact Lula Melton at EPA's Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards at (919) 541-2910.