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Emission Inventory Conference
Style Guide for Abstracts, Presentations and Posters
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**Title**

Include a short and informative title. The title should be typed in Upper and lower case letters centered horizontally at the top of the page using 14pt Times New Roman bold type. After the title, return twice, then center the full name(s) of the author(s), followed by the author(s) affiliation, mailing address and email address (optional). These should be typed in 12pt Times New Roman. Type the names of up to four authors with the same affiliation on one line. The full mailing address should include the zip code and maximum of five lines. The email address should be all lower case and fit on a single line.
Abstract
The abstract should begin two lines below the author(s) name and address(es). It should state the
purpose or objective of the presentation, and should summarize the principal information presented.
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References
References should be listed in the order cited within the text, using Arabic numeral superscripts.
Use the following format:
Book with One Author:
Smith, J.E. How to Train the Trainer; Harcourt, Brace, Jovanich; Chicago, IL, 1999, p114.
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1999, p 114.
Book with Editor as Author
Chapter within a Book
Smith, J.E. "The New Trainer". How to Train the Trainer; Harcourt, Brace, Jovanich; Chicago, IL,
Journal Article
Proceedings or Transactions
Presentation
Smith, J.E. "The New Trainer", Presented at the 11th Emission Inventory Conference of the U.S.
Environmental Protection Agency, Baltimore, MD, June 2000; paper 12.34.5
Government or Laboratory Publication
Smith, J.E. Training the Trainer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Research Triangle Park,
Report Prepared for a Client
University by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Research Triangle Park, NC 2000.
Patent
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Figures/Tables
Figures and tables can either be incorporated into the text or placed at the end of the paper. When
referring to a figure or table, the word "Figure" or "Table" should be spelled out, capitalized, and
should be immediately followed by the figure number.

Example:
Figure 2 illustrates...
All figures and tables should be numbered consecutively in Arabic numerals as they are cited within the text. All figures and tables require captions. List the caption above the corresponding figure or table. Each caption should be in Times New Roman 12 pt bold type, flush left followed by a period and space. Capitalize only the first word of the caption and place a period at the end of the caption. Example:
Figure 1. Results from testing completed in the western U.S.
Color or black and white graphics may be used

Indented Lists
Please use the following:
• Solid bullets, or

1) Numbers with right parenthesis

Footnotes
Do not use footnotes

Equations
All equations should be indented and on a separate line. Number equations consecutively as they appear. Type numbers flush right within parentheses on the same line as the equation. Two returns must follow the equation with the word "where" flush left. Indent at least five spaces and list the variable explanations so the equal signs align. Use of Microsoft Word or Corel WordPerfect equations editors is permitted.

Example:
Equations (1) \( y = ab + c \)
where
\( a = \) area
\( b = \) emissions
\( c = \) factor

Key Words
As papers will be available through the Air Emissions Inventories, a list of keywords that categorize your paper are important. These keywords will be used in the search engine of this web site. Please attach your list on a separate page at the end of your paper.

Example Abstract
Title
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ABSTRACT
Abstract should be no longer than 250 words

Format
Length
No longer than 250 words.
Margins
Top and bottom margins 1/2" 
Left and right margins 3/4"
Type Font and Size
Title 14pt Times New Roman, bold
Text 12pt Times New Roman
DO NOT USE HARD RETURNS EXCEPT AT THE END OF PARAGRAPHS.
Line Spacing/Indentation
Text Single Space
Paragraphs Single Space between paragraphs
Indentation Indent first line of each paragraph
Headings
First Level 12 pt bold, Times New Roman, left justified, all capitals Second Level 12 pt bold, Times New Roman, left justified, initial capital letters
Third Level 12 pt bold, Times New Roman, left justified, underlined, initial capital letters

Submission
All abstracts, and presentations should be submitted via email - EIC2019@epa.gov. The conference call for papers will describe the procedure for the submission and the specific file type requested. Abstract submissions should be provided as an Adobe Acrobat .pdf document. Graphics should be embedded in the electronic document at a level of quality and detail comparable to that in the original format.

Presentations
A LCD projector will be provided. A laptop will also be provided on which presentations will be loaded. All presentations should be sent to EPA no later than two weeks prior to the conference. Do not use anything less than a 24 pt type in presentations. This will allow for a maximum viewing distance of 64 feet.

Poster Presentations
Poster presentations will use a poster board approximately 4' x 8' in size. Materials should be on regular bond paper so that they can easily be attached with tape or thumbtacks. You must provide your own supplies.
• Materials should be posted at the allotted time but no later than 30 minutes prior to presentation
• Your presentation must remain posted during the entire scheduled presentation time through lunch of the following day.
• Someone should be available for questions during the poster session
• You are responsible for taking down your presentation.
• A summary may be provided, following the guidelines, to be included in the proceedings on the CHIEF website.