

40 C.F.R. § 60.5420b

What are my notification, reporting, and recordkeeping requirements?

- (a) *Notifications*. You must submit notifications according to paragraphs (a)(1) and (2) of this section if you own or operate one or more of the affected facilities specified in § 60.5365b that was constructed, modified, or reconstructed during the reporting period. You must submit the notification in paragraph (a) (3) of this section if you use an alternative standard for fugitive emissions components in accordance with § 60.5399b. You must submit the notification in paragraph (a)(4) of this section if you undertake well closure activities as specified in § 60.5397b(l).
- (1) If you own or operate a process unit equipment affected facility located at an onshore natural gas processing plant, or a sweetening unit, you must submit the notifications required in §§ 60.7(a)(1), (3), and (4) and 60.15(d). If you own or operate a well, centrifugal compressor, reciprocating compressor, process controller, pump, storage vessel, collection of fugitive emissions components at a well site, or collection of fugitive emissions components at a compressor station affected facility, you are not required to submit the notifications required in §§ 60.7(a)(1), (3), and (4) and 60.15(d).
- (2) If you own or operate a well affected facility, you must notify the Administrator no later than 2 days prior to the commencement of each well completion operation listing the anticipated date of the well completion operation. The notification shall include contact information for the owner or operator; the United States Well Number; the latitude and longitude coordinates for each well in decimal degrees to an accuracy and precision of five (5) decimals of a degree using the North American Datum of 1983; and the planned date of the beginning of flowback. You may submit the notification in writing or in electronic format. If you are subject to state regulations that require advance notification of well completions and you have met those notification requirements, then you are considered to have met the advance notification requirements of this paragraph.
- (3) An owner or operator electing to comply with the provisions of § 60.5399b for fugitive emissions components shall notify the Administrator of the alternative fugitive emissions standard selected within the annual report, as specified in paragraph (b)(9)(iii) of this section.
- (4) An owner or operator who commences well closure activities must submit the following notices to the Administrator according to the schedule in paragraph (a)(4)(i) and (ii) of this section. The notification shall include contact information for the owner or operator; the United States Well Number; the latitude and longitude coordinates for each well at the well site in decimal degrees to an accuracy and precision of five (5) decimals of a degree using the North American Datum of 1983. You must submit notifications in portable document format (PDF) following the procedures specified in paragraph (d) of this section.
- (i) You must submit a well closure plan to the Administrator within 30 days of the cessation of production from all wells located at the well site.
- (ii) You must submit a notification of the intent to close a well site 60 days before you begin well closure

activities.

- (b) Reporting requirements. You must submit annual reports containing the information specified in paragraphs (b)(1) through (14) of this section following the procedure specified in paragraph (b)(15) of this section. You must submit performance test reports as specified in paragraph (b)(12) or (13) of this section, if applicable. The initial annual report is due no later than 90 days after the end of the initial compliance period as determined according to § 60.5410b. Subsequent annual reports are due no later than the same date each year as the initial annual report. If you own or operate more than one affected facility, you may submit one report for multiple affected facilities provided the report contains all of the information required as specified in paragraphs (b)(1) through (14) of this section. Annual reports may coincide with title V reports as long as all the required elements of the annual report are included. You may arrange with the Administrator a common schedule on which reports required by this part may be submitted as long as the schedule does not extend the reporting period. You must submit the information in paragraph (b)(1)(v) of this section, as applicable, for your well affected facility which undergoes a change of ownership during the reporting period, regardless of whether reporting under paragraphs (b)(2) through (4) of this section is required for the well affected facility.
- (1) The general information specified in paragraphs (b)(1)(i) through (v) of this section is required for all reports.
- (i) The company name, facility site name associated with the affected facility, U.S. Well ID or U.S. Well ID associated with the affected facility, if applicable, and address of the affected facility. If an address is not available for the site, include a description of the site location and provide the latitude and longitude coordinates of the site in decimal degrees to an accuracy and precision of five (5) decimals of a degree using the North American Datum of 1983.
- (ii) An identification of each affected facility being included in the annual report.
- (iii) Beginning and ending dates of the reporting period.
- (iv) A certification by a certifying official of truth, accuracy, and completeness. This certification shall state that, based on information and belief formed after reasonable inquiry, the statements and information in the document are true, accurate, and complete. If your report is submitted via CEDRI, the certifier's electronic signature during the submission process replaces the requirement in this paragraph (b)(1)(iv).
- (v) Identification of each well affected facility for which ownership changed due to sale or transfer of ownership including the United States Well Number; the latitude and longitude coordinates of the well affected facility in decimal degrees to an accuracy and precision of five (5) decimals of a degree using the North American Datum of 1983; and the information in paragraph (b)(1)(v)(A) or (B) of this section, as applicable.
- (A) The name and contact information, including the phone number, email address, and mailing address, of the owner or operator to which you sold or transferred ownership of the well affected facility identified in paragraph (b)(v) of this section.
- (B) The name and contact information, including the phone number, email address, and mailing address, of the owner or operator from whom you acquired the well affected facility identified in paragraph (b)(v) of this section.
 - (2) For each well affected facility that is subject to § 60.5375b(a) or (f), the records of each well completion operation conducted during the reporting period, including the information specified in paragraphs (b)(2)(i) through (xiv) of this section, if applicable. In lieu of submitting the records specified in paragraphs (b)(2)(i)

through (xiv) of this section, the owner or operator may submit a list of each well completion with hydraulic fracturing completed during the reporting period, and the digital photograph required by paragraph (c)(1)(v) of this section for each well completion. For each well affected facility that routes all flowback entirely through one or more production separators, only the records specified in paragraphs (b)(2)(i) through (iv) and (vi) of this section are required to be reported. For periods where salable gas is unable to be separated, the records specified in paragraphs (b)(2)(iv) and (viii) through (xii) of this section must also be reported, as applicable. For each well affected facility that is subject to § 60.5375b(g), the record specified in paragraph (b)(2)(xv) of this section is required to be reported. For each well affected facility which makes a claim that the exemption in § 60.5375b(h) was met, the records specified in paragraph (b)(2)(i) through (iv) and (b)(2)(xvi) of this section are required to be reported.

- (i) Well Completion ID.
- (ii) Latitude and longitude of the well in decimal degrees to an accuracy and precision of five (5) decimals of a degree using North American Datum of 1983.
- (iii) U.S. Well ID.
- (iv) The date and time of the onset of flowback following hydraulic fracturing or refracturing or identification that the well immediately starts production.
- (v) The date and time of each attempt to direct flowback to a separator as required in § 60.5375b(a)(1)(ii).
- (vi) The date and time that the well was shut in and the flowback equipment was permanently disconnected, or the startup of production.
- (vii) The duration (in hours) of flowback.
- (viii) The duration (in hours) of recovery and disposition of recovery (*i.e.*, routed to the gas flow line or collection system, re-injected into the well or another well, used as an onsite fuel source, or used for another useful purpose that a purchased fuel or raw material would serve).
- (ix) The duration (in hours) of combustion.
- (x) The duration (in hours) of venting.
- (xi) The specific reasons for venting in lieu of capture or combustion.
- (xii) For any deviations recorded as specified in paragraph (c)(1)(ii) of this section, the date and time the deviation began, the duration of the deviation in hours, and a description of the deviation.
- (xiii) For each well affected facility subject to § 60.5375b(f), a record of the well type (*i.e.*, wildcat well, delineation well, or low pressure well (as defined § 60.5430b)) and supporting inputs and calculations, if applicable.
- (xiv) For each well affected facility for which you claim an exception under § 60.5375b(a)(2), the specific exception claimed and reasons why the well meets the claimed exception.
- (xv) For each well affected facility with less than 300 scf of gas per stock tank barrel of oil produced, the supporting analysis that was performed in order the make that claim, including but not limited to, GOR values for established leases and data from wells in the same basin and field.
- (xvi) For each well affected facility which meets the exemption in § 60.5375b(h), a statement that the well

completion operation requirements of § 60.5375b(a)(1) through (3) were met.

- (3) For each well affected facility that is subject to § 60.5376b(a)(1) or (2), your annual report is required to include the information specified in paragraphs (b)(3)(i) and (ii) of this section, as applicable.
- (i) For each well affected facility where all gas well liquids unloading operations comply with \S 60.5376b(a)(1), your annual report must include the information specified in paragraphs (b)(3)(i)(A) through (C) of this section, as applicable.
- (A) Identification of each well affected facility (U.S. Well ID or U.S. Well ID associated with the well affected facility) that conducts a gas well liquid unloading operation during the reporting period using a method that does not vent to the atmosphere and the technology or technique used. If more than one non-venting technology or technique is used, you must identify all of the differing non-venting liquids unloading methods used during the reporting period.
- (B) Number of gas well liquids unloading operations conducted during the year where the well affected facility identified in (b)(3)(i)(A) had unplanned venting to the atmosphere and best management practices were conducted according to your best management practice plan, as required by § 60.5376b(c). If no venting events occurred, the number would be zero. Other reported information required to be submitted where unplanned venting occurs is specified in paragraphs (b)(3)(i)(B)(1) and (2) of this section.
- (1) Log of best management practice plan steps used during the unplanned venting to minimize emissions to the maximum extent possible.
- (2) The number of liquids unloading events during the year where deviations from your best management practice plan occurred, the date and time the deviation began, the duration of the deviation in hours, documentation of why best management practice plan steps were not followed, and what steps, in lieu of your best management practice plan steps, were followed to minimize emissions to the maximum extent possible.
- (C) The number of liquids unloading events where unplanned emissions are vented to the atmosphere during a gas well liquids unloading operation where you complied with best management practices to minimize emissions to the maximum extent possible.
- (ii) For each well affected facility where all gas well liquids unloading operations comply with § 60.5376b(b) and (c) best management practices, your annual report must include the information specified in paragraphs (b)(3) (ii)(A) through (E) of this section.
- (A) Identification of each well affected facility that conducts a gas well liquids unloading during the reporting period.
- (B) Number of liquids unloading events conducted during the reporting period.
- (C) Log of best management practice plan steps used during the reporting period to minimize emissions to the maximum extent possible.
- (D) The number of liquids unloading events during the year that best management practices were conducted according to your best management practice plan.
- (E) The number of liquids unloading events during the year where deviations from your best management practice plan occurred, the date and time the deviation began, the duration of the deviation in hours, documentation of why best management practice plan steps were not followed, and what steps, in lieu of your

best management practice plan steps, were followed to minimize emissions to the maximum extent possible.

- (4) For each associated gas well subject to § 60.5377b, your annual report is required to include the applicable information specified in paragraphs (b)(4)(i) through (vi) of this section, as applicable.
- (i) For each associated gas well that complies with \S 60.5377b(a)(1), (2), (3), or (4) your annual report is required to include the information specified in paragraphs (b)(4)(i)(A) and (B) of this section.
- (A) An identification of each associated gas well constructed, modified, or reconstructed during the reporting period that complies with $\S 60.5377b(a)(1)$, (2), (3), or (4).
- (B) The information specified in paragraphs (b)(2)(i)(B)(1) through (3) of this section for each incident when the associated gas was temporarily routed to a flare or control device in accordance with \S 60.5377b(d)
- (1) The reason in $\S 60.5377b(d)(1)$, (2), (3), or (4) for each incident.
- (2) The start date and time of each incident of routing associated gas to the flare or control device, along with the total duration in hours of each incident.
- (3) Documentation that all CVS requirements specified in § 60.5411b(a) and (c) and all applicable flare or control device requirements specified in § 60.5412b were met during each period when the associated gas is routed to the flare or control device.
- (ii) For all instances where you temporarily vent the associated gas in accordance with \S 60.5377b(e), you must report the information specified in paragraphs (b)(4)(ii)(A) through (D) of this section. This information is required to be reported if you are routinely complying with \S 60.5377b(a) or \S 60.5377b(f) or temporarily complying with \S 60.5377b(d). In addition to this information for each incident, you must report the cumulative duration in hours of venting incidents and the cumulative VOC and methane emissions in pounds for all incidents in the calendar year.
- (A) The reason in $\S 60.5377b(e)(1)$, (2), or (3) for each incident.
- (B) The start date and time of each incident of venting the associated gas, along with the total duration in hours of each incident.
- (C) The VOC and methane emissions in pounds that were emitted during each incident.
- (D) The total duration of venting for all incidents in the year, along with the cumulative VOC and methane emissions in pounds that were emitted.
- (iii) For each associated gas well that complies with the requirements of § 60.5377b(f) your annual report must include the information specified in paragraphs (b)(4)(iii)(A) through (E) of this section. The information in paragraphs (b)(4)(iii)(A) and (B) of this section is only required in the initial annual report.
- (A) An identification of each associated gas well that commenced construction between May 7, 2024 and May 7, 2026. This identification must include the certification of why it is infeasible to comply with § 60.5377b(a)(1), (2), (3), or (4) in accordance with § 60.5377b(g).
- (B) An identification of each associated gas well that commenced construction between December 6, 2022, and May 7, 2024. This identification must include the certification of why it is infeasible to comply with \S 60.5377b(a)(1), (2), (3), or (4) in accordance with \S 60.5377b(g).
- (C) An identification of each associated gas well modified or reconstructed during the reporting period that

complies by routing the gas to a control device that reduces VOC and methane emissions by at least 95.0 percent. This identification must include the certification of why it is infeasible to comply with \S 60.5377b(a)(1), (2), (3), or (4) in accordance with \S 60.5377b(g).

- (D) For each associated gas well that was constructed, modified or reconstructed in a previous reporting period that complies by routing the gas to a control device that reduces VOC and methane emissions by at least 95.0 percent, a re-certification of why it is infeasible to comply with \S 60.5377b(a)(1), (2), (3), or (4) in accordance with \S 60.5377b(g).
- (E) The information specified in paragraphs (b)(11)(i) through (iv) of this section.
- (iv) If you comply with § 60.5377b(f) with a control device, identification of the associated gas well using the control device and the information in paragraph (b)(11)(v) of this section.
- (v) If you comply with an alternative GHG and VOC standard under § 60.5398b, in lieu of the information specified in paragraphs (b)(11)(i) and (ii) of this section, you must provide the information specified in § 60.5424b.
- (vi) For each deviation recorded as specified in paragraph (c)(3)(v) of this section, the date and time the deviation began, the duration of the deviation in hours, and a description of the deviation. If no deviations occurred during the reporting period, you must include a statement that no deviations occurred during the reporting period.
 - (5) For each wet seal centrifugal compressor affected facility, the information specified in paragraphs (b)(5)(i) through (v) of this section. For each self-contained wet seal centrifugal compressor, Alaska North Slope centrifugal compressor equipped with sour seal oil separator and capture system, or dry seal centrifugal compressor affected facility, the information specified in paragraphs (b)(5)(vi) through (ix) of this section.
- (i) An identification of each centrifugal compressor constructed, modified, or reconstructed during the reporting period.
- (ii) For each deviation that occurred during the reporting period and recorded as specified in paragraph (c)(4) of this section, the date and time the deviation began, the duration of the deviation in hours, and a description of the deviation. If no deviations occurred during the reporting period, you must include a statement that no deviations occurred during the reporting period.
- (iii) If required to comply with \S 60.5380b(a)(2), the information specified in paragraphs (b)(11)(i) through (iv) of this section.
- (iv) If complying with \S 60.5380b(a)(1) with a control device, identification of the centrifugal compressor with the control device and the information in paragraph (b)(11)(v) of this section.
- (v) If you comply with an alternative GHG and VOC standard under § 60.5398b, in lieu of the information specified in paragraphs (b)(11)(i) and (ii) of this section, you must provide the information specified in § 60.5424b.
- (vi) If complying with § 60.5380b(a)(4) or (5) for a self-contained wet seal centrifugal compressor, Alaska North Slope centrifugal compressor equipped with sour seal oil separator and capture system, or dry seal centrifugal compressor requirements, the cumulative number of hours of operation since initial startup, since May 7, 2024, or since the previous volumetric flow rate emissions measurement, as applicable, which have elapsed prior to conducting your volumetric flow rate emission measurement or emissions screening.

- (vii) A description of the method used and the results of the volumetric emissions measurement or emissions screening, as applicable.
- (viii) Number and type of seals on delay of repair and explanation for each delay of repair.
- (ix) Date of planned shutdown(s) that occurred during the reporting period if there are any seals that have been placed on delay of repair.
 - (6) For each reciprocating compressor affected facility, the information specified in paragraphs (b)(6)(i) through (vii) of this section, as applicable.
- (i) The cumulative number of hours of operation since initial startup, since May 7, 2024, or since the previous volumetric flow rate measurement, or since the previous reciprocating compressor rod packing replacement, as applicable, which have elapsed prior to conducting your volumetric flow rate measurement or emissions screening. Alternatively, a statement that emissions from the rod packing are being routed to a process or control device through a closed vent system.
- (ii) If applicable, for each deviation that occurred during the reporting period and recorded as specified in paragraph (c)(5)(i) of this section, the date and time the deviation began, duration of the deviation in hours and a description of the deviation. If no deviations occurred during the reporting period, you must include a statement that no deviations occurred during the reporting period.
- (iii) A description of the method used and the results of the volumetric flow rate measurement or emissions screening, as applicable.
- (iv) If complying with § 60.5385b(d), the information in paragraphs (b)(11)(i) through (iv) of this section.
- (v) Number and type of rod packing replacements/repairs on delay of repair and explanation for each delay of repair.

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