
40 C.F.R. § 60.5377b

What GHG and VOC standards apply to associated gas wells at well affected facilities?

(a) You must comply with either paragraph (a)(1), (2), (3), or (4) of this section for each associated gas well upon startup and at all times, except as provided in paragraphs (b) through (f) of this section. You must also comply with paragraphs (h), (i), and (j) of this section.

(1) Recover the associated gas from the separator and route the recovered gas into a gas gathering flow line or collection system to a sales line.

(2) Recover the associated gas from the separator and use the recovered gas as an onsite fuel source.

(3) Recover the associated gas from the separator and use the recovered gas for another useful purpose that a purchased fuel or raw material would serve.

(4) Recover the associated gas from the separator and reinject the recovered gas into the well or inject the recovered gas into another well.

(b) For associated gas wells that commenced construction between May 7, 2024 and May 7, 2026, you can comply with the requirements in paragraph (f) of this section continually upon startup instead of paragraph (a) of this section until May 7, 2026 if you demonstrate and certify that it is not feasible to comply with paragraphs (a)(1), (2), (3), and (4) of this section due to technical reasons in accordance with paragraph (g) of this section. After May 7, 2026 you must continually comply with paragraph (a) of this section at all times.

(c) For associated gas wells that commenced construction between December 6, 2022, and May 7, 2024, and for associated gas wells that undergo reconstruction or modification after December 6, 2022, you can comply with the requirements in paragraph (f) of this section instead of paragraph (a) of this section if you demonstrate and certify that it is not feasible to comply with paragraph (a)(1), (2), (3), and (4) of this section due to technical reasons in accordance with paragraph (g) of this section. Associated gas wells that are modified or reconstructed must comply with paragraph (a) or (f) of this section upon startup and at all times thereafter.

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