

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
AGENCY**

**40 CFR Parts 136 and 141**

[FRL-5848-3]

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**Guidelines Establishing Test  
Procedures for the Analysis of  
Pollutants and National Primary  
Drinking Water Regulations; Flexibility  
in Existing Test Procedures and  
Streamlined Proposal of New Test  
Procedures; Correction,  
Announcement of Meetings, and  
Extension of Comment Period**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Correction, Announcement of Meetings, and Extension of Comment Period.

**SUMMARY:** EPA is correcting minor errors in the preamble and regulatory language of its proposed rule to streamline EPA's water methods approval program, which appeared in the **Federal Register** on March 28, 1997 (62 FR 14976).

EPA also announces two public meetings on the proposed rule and extends the comment period from March 28, 1997 to August 1, 1997.

**DATES:** EPA will conduct two public meetings on streamlining EPA's water methods approval programs. The first of these meetings will be held on Thursday, July 17, 1997, in Chicago, Illinois, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The second of the two meetings will be held on August 1, 1997, in Dallas, Texas, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Registration for the meetings will begin at 8:00 a.m. Public comments regarding the streamlining proposed rule will be accepted until August 1, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Send written comments to the Streamlining Methods Docket Clerk, Ben J. Honaker, Water Docket (MC-4101), USEPA, 401 M Street SW, Washington, DC 20460. The July 17, 1997, meeting will be held at the Hotel Inter-Continental Chicago located at 505 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. The August 1, 1997, meeting will be held at the Wyndham Anatole Hotel-Dallas located at 2201 Stemmons Freeway, Dallas, Texas.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Questions concerning this comment can be directed to Marion Thompson by phone at (202)260-7117 or by facsimile at (202)260-7185.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

On March 28, 1997, EPA proposed an initiative to streamline its water

methods approval program (62 FR 14976) (Streamlining Initiative). The purpose of the Streamlining Initiative is to expand method flexibility and expedite the method approval process for wastewater and drinking water methods approved at 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) parts 136 and 141. This initiative would support a performance-based approach to environmental measurements under the Clean Water Act and Safe Drinking Water Act through use of quality control criteria in EPA-designated reference methods as the baseline standards of method performance. The initiative would encourage introduction of innovative technologies and involvement of stakeholders in the method development process by expediting Agency processes when external organizations develop and submit for approval new analytical methods. The goal of streamlining is to facilitate early introduction of new and innovative technologies that may reduce costs, overcome analytical difficulties, improve laboratory safety, and enhance data quality, while reducing the regulatory burden imposed by prescriptive methods.

The Streamlining Initiative was first outlined in a notice in 60 FR 47325 (September 12, 1995). Between September 1995 and July 1996, EPA held four public meetings to gather input on the Streamlining Initiative. The suggestions from these meetings were used in refining the Streamlining Initiative prior to its proposal. The Streamlining Initiative includes the following elements: standardized quality control tests in all methods, designation of reference methods that contain QC acceptance criteria for all standard QC tests, increased flexibility to modify reference methods without seeking prior EPA approval provided that the applicant demonstrates method equivalency, a tiered strategy for validating methods based on their intended use, a standard method format, suggested standard data elements for reporting, an amended process for non-EPA organizations to submit new methods for approval, and more rapid approval procedures.

**Extension of Comment Period**

EPA is extending the time for receipt of comments until August 1, 1997 to accommodate the two public meetings announced in this notice. Verbal comments will be accepted at these two public meetings only. All other comments must be written.

All comments received by August 1, 1997 and submitted in accordance with these instructions and the instructions

in the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking will be entered into the public record and considered by EPA before promulgation of the final rule.

**Corrections to Proposed Rule Tables**

This document corrects three tables that appeared in the Identification of Test Procedures section of the proposed rule. Several of the values in the "Recovery," "Precision," "Spiking Conc.," "IPR Recovery-Low," "IPR Recovery-High," "OPR Recovery-Low," "OPR Recovery-High," "MS/MSD Recovery-Low," "MS/MSD Recovery-High," "ML Value," and "ML Calc" columns of Table 1F that appears on page 15011 of the proposed rule are incorrect. Several of the values in the "Recovery," "Precision," "Spiking Conc.," "IPR Recovery-Low," "IPR Recovery-High," "OPR Recovery-Low," "OPR Recovery-High," "MS/MSD Recovery-Low," and "MS/MSD Recovery-High" columns of the table titled, "Standardized QC and QC Acceptance Criteria for Methods in 40 CFR 141.23(k)(1)," that appears on page 15046 of the proposed rule also are incorrect. This notice provides end notes to Table 1F that appears on page 15011 of the proposed rule, and the table titled, "Standardized QC and QC Acceptance Criteria for Methods in 40 CFR 141.23(k)(1)," that appears on page 15046 of the proposed rule. These end notes, which were inadvertently omitted in the proposed rule, clarify the source of the quality control (QC) criteria that appear in these tables.

Entries 8 through 11 were inadvertently omitted from the version of Table 141.40(n)(11) that appears on page 15049 of the proposed rule.

**Meeting Arrangements**

Arrangements for the public meetings on the streamlining proposed rule are being coordinated by DynCorp, Inc. For information on registration, contact Cindy Simbanin, 300 N. Lee Street, Suite 500, Alexandria, VA 22314. Phone: 703/519-1386; facsimile: 703/684-0610.

Hotel reservations for the meeting on July 17, 1997, may be made by contacting the Hotel Inter-Continental Chicago at 312/944-4100. The hotel address is 505 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60611. When making reservations, specify that you are affiliated with the "EPA PFPR Workshop" (the EPA Pesticide Formulating, Packaging and Repackaging Workshop). Hotel reservations for the meeting on August 1, 1997, may be made by contacting the Wyndham Anatole Hotel-Dallas at 214/748-1200. The hotel address is 2201

Stemmons Freeway, Dallas, Texas 75207. Guest rates are \$84.00, including tax. Reservations must be made by June 30, 1997. When making reservations, you must specify that you are affiliated with "NELAC" (the National Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Committee) to qualify for the quoted rate. Accommodations are limited for both meetings, so please make your reservations early.

#### **Agenda Topics**

The purpose of the public meetings in Chicago and Dallas is to present and discuss EPA's proposed approach to streamlining its water methods approval program. Each meeting will consist of a brief overview of the Streamlining

Initiative, followed by comments and questions.

The following topics will be addressed at the public meetings:

- Increasing flexibility to modify approved methods to facilitate use of innovative technologies.
- Designating reference methods that contain QC acceptance criteria to support determination of method equivalency when method modifications are used.
- Tiered strategy for validating new methods and method modifications based on intended use of the method.
- Streamlining the method proposal and promulgation process in order to take advantage of emerging analytical technologies in a timely manner.

Dated: June 20, 1997.

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The following corrections are made in FRL-5800-2, Guidelines Establishing Test Procedures for the Analysis of Pollutants and National Primary Drinking Water Regulations; Flexibility in Existing Test Procedures and Streamlined Proposal of New Test Procedures, which was published in the **Federal Register** on March 28, 1997 (62 FR 14976).

1. On page 15011, Table 1F is corrected to read as follows:

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Table IF - Standardized QC and QC Acceptance Criteria for Methods in 40 CFR Part 136, Table IB

No Analyte	Data				Specifications													
	Reference Method	Precision	Recovery	Source	CAL points	CAL lin	Spike conc	IPR Recovery		Prec-ision		OPR Recovery		MS/MSD Recovery		MDL	ML Value	ML Calc
	206.3	8.19	8.19	3114 B				Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High			
" - Hydride	206.3	98.38	8.19	Single	3	10 %	200 ug/L	54.0	142.0	24.6	49.0	148.0	49.0	148.0	30.0	2.0 ug/L	Range	
" - Furnace	206.2	98.63	15.98	Multi	3	10 %	100 ug/L	66.0	131.0	32.0	63.0	134.0	63.0	134.0	32.0	5.0 ug/L	Range	
" - ICP	200.7	92.17	14.79	Multi	3	10 %	100 ug/L	62.0	122.0	30.0	59.0	125.0	59.0	125.0	30.0	8 ug/L	20 ug/L	3.18 x MDL
" - Color (SDDC)	206.4	100.00	13.80	Multi	3	10 %	40 ug/L	72.0	128.0	28.0	69.0	131.0	69.0	131.0	28.0	10 ug/L	Method	
7. Barium - Flame	208.1	103.50	8.63	Single	3	10 %	1 mg/L	57.0	150.0	25.9	51.0	156.0	51.0	156.0	32.0	1.0 mg/L	Range	
" - Furnace	208.2	142.14	31.10	Multi	5	25 %	100 ug/L	79.0	205.0	63.0	73.0	211.0	73.0	211.0	63.0	10 ug/L	Range	
" - ICP	200.7	77.30	20.97	Multi	3	10 %	100 ug/L	35.0	120.0	42.0	31.0	124.0	31.0	124.0	42.0	1 ug/L	2 ug/L	3.18 x MDL
" - DCP	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
8. Beryllium - Flame	210.1	98.33	4.27	Single	3	10 %	50 ug/L	75.0	121.0	12.8	72.0	124.0	72.0	124.0	16.0	50 ug/L	Range	
" - Furnace	210.2	106.66	21.76	Multi	5	25 %	100 ug/L	63.0	151.0	44.0	58.0	155.0	58.0	155.0	44.0	1.0 ug/L	Range	
" - ICP	200.7	96.34	2.31	Multi	3	10 %	100 ug/L	91.0	101.0	4.7	91.0	102.0	91.0	102.0	4.7	0.3 ug/L	1.0 ug/L	3.18 x MDL
" - DCP	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
" - Color	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
9. BOD	405.1	24.10	24.10	Multi	---	---	100 mg/L	---	---	49.0	---	---	---	---	49.0	N/A	---	---
10. Boron - Color	212.3	100.00	22.80	Multi	5	25 %	240 ug/L	54.0	146.0	46.0	49.0	151.0	49.0	151.0	46.0	100 ug/L	Range	
" - ICP	200.7	97.07	25.60	Multi	5	25 %	100 ug/L	45.0	149.0	52.0	40.0	154.0	40.0	154.0	52.0	3 ug/L	10 ug/L	3.18 x MDL
" - DCP	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
11. Bromide	320.1	93.75	7.17	Single	3	10 %	5 mg/L	55.0	132.0	21.5	50.0	137.0	50.0	137.0	26.0	2 mg/L	Range	
12. Cadmium - Flame	213.1	94.87	15.88	Multi	3	10 %	100 ug/L	63.0	127.0	32.0	59.0	130.0	59.0	130.0	32.0	50 ug/L	Range	



Table IF - Standardized QC and QC Acceptance Criteria for Methods in 40 CFR Part 136, Table IB

No Analyte	Data				Specifications													
	Reference Method	Precision	Recovery	Source	CAL points	CAL lin	Spike conc		IPR Recovery		Precision		OPR Recovery		MS/MSD Recovery		MDL Value	ML Calc
	325.1	100.50	3.00	Single			MCAW	10 %	10 mg/L	84.0	117.0	9.0	82.0	119.0	82.0	119.0		
Chloride - Auto	325.2	100.00	10.00	Default	3	10 %	10 mg/L	47.0	153.0	30.0	40.0	160.0	40.0	160.0	36.0	1 mg/L	Range	
17. Chlorine - Amper	330.1	91.20	12.50	Multi	3	10 %	250 mg/L	66.0	117.0	25.0	63.0	119.0	63.0	119.0	25.0	---		
Chlorine - Iodo	330.3	81.50	32.40	Multi	5	25 %	1.0 mg/L	16.0	147.0	65.0	10.0	153.0	10.0	153.0	65.0	0.1 mg/L	Method	
Chlorine - Back ttr	330.2	98.80	4.30	Single	3	10 %	1.0 mg/L	76.0	122.0	12.9	73.0	125.0	73.0	125.0	16.0	---		
Chlorine - DPD-FAS	330.4	91.90	19.20	Multi	3	10 %	1.0 mg/L	53.0	131.0	39.0	49.0	135.0	49.0	135.0	39.0	0.1 mg/L	Method	
Chlorine - Spectro	330.5	84.40	27.60	Multi	5	25 %	1.0 mg/L	29.0	140.0	56.0	23.0	146.0	23.0	146.0	56.0	0.2 mg/L	Method	
Chlorine - Electrode	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	
18. Chromium VI - AA	218.4	98.49	6.96	Multi	3	10 %	100 ug/L	84.0	113.0	14.0	83.0	114.0	83.0	114.0	14.0	10 ug/L	Range	
Chromium VI - Color	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	
19. Chromium - Flame	218.1	101.54	17.36	Multi	3	10 %	100 ug/L	66.0	137.0	35.0	63.0	140.0	63.0	140.0	35.0	15 ug/L	Data	
Chromium - Chelate	218.3	100.00	10.00	No	3	10 %	100 ug/L	47.0	153.0	30.0	40.0	160.0	40.0	160.0	36.0	1 ug/L	Method	



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No Analyte	Data			Specifications															
	Reference Metho	Recovery	Precision	LABS	Source	CAL	CAL	CAL	IPR	IPR	IPR	MS/MSD	MS/MSD	MS/MSD	ML	ML	ML		
	d	y				points	lin	Spike conc	Recovery Low	Recovery High	Precision Low	Precision High	Recovery Low	Recovery High	RPD	MDL Value	ML Calc		
23. Cyanide - Distill	---					3	10 %	250 ug/L	26.0	144.0	33.2	18.0	152.0	18.0	152.0	40.0	60 ug/L	Data	
Cyanide - Titr	---																		
Cyanide - Spectro	335.2	85.00	11.07	Single	MCAW														
				W															
Cyanide - Auto	335.3	100.00	10.00	No	Default	3	10 %	100 ug/L	47.0	153.0	30.0	40.0	160.0	40.0	160.0	36.0	5 ug/L	Range	
				data															
24. CATC - Titr	335.1	100.00	10.00	No	Default	3	10 %	100 ug/L	47.0	153.0	30.0	40.0	160.0	40.0	160.0	36.0			
				data															
CATC - Spectro	335.1	100.00	10.00	No	Default	3	10 %	100 ug/L	47.0	153.0	30.0	40.0	160.0	40.0	140.0	36.0			
				data															
25. Fluoride - Distill	---					3	10 %	1.0 mg/L	91.0	106.0	7.1	91.0	107.0	91.0	107.0	7.1	100 ug/L	Range	
Fluoride - Elec/man	340.2	98.82	3.53	Multi	MCAW														
				W															
Fluoride - Elec/auto	---																		
Fluoride - SPADNS	340.1	97.59	10.72	Multi	MCAW	3	10 %	1.0 mg/L	76.0	120.0	22.0	74.0	122.0	74.0	122.0	22.0	100 ug/L	Range	
				W															
Fluoride - Auto	340.3	89.00	12.00	Single	MCAW	3	10 %	150 ug/L	25.0	153.0	36.0	17.0	161.0	17.0	161.0	44.0	50 ug/L	Range	
				W															
26. Gold - Flame	231.1	100.00	10.00	No	Default	3	10 %	1.0 mg/L	47.0	153.0	30.0	40.0	160.0	40.0	160.0	36.0	500 ug/L	Range	
				data															
Gold - Furnace	231.2	100.00	10.00	No	Default	3	10 %	100 ug/L	47.0	153.0	30.0	40.0	160.0	40.0	160.0	36.0	5 ug/L	Range	
				data															
Gold - DCP	---																		

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No Analyte	Data			Specifications															
	Reference Method	Recovery	Precision	Lab Source	CAL points	CAL %	Spike conc	IPR Recovery Low	IPR Recovery High	Precision Low	Precision High	OPR Recovery Low	OPR Recovery High	MS/MSD Recovery Low	MS/MSD Recovery High	RPD	MDL	ML Value	ML Calc
Osmium - Furnace	252.2	100.00	10.00	No Default	3	10 %	250 ug/L	47.0	153.0	30.0	40.0	160.0	40.0	160.0	36.0	36.0	50 ug/L	Range	
46. DO - Winkler	360.2	100.00	1.00	Single MCAW	3	10 %	1 mg/L	94.7	105.3	3.0	94	106	94	106	3.6	3.6	50 ug/L	Range	
DO - Electrode	360.1	100.00	1.00	Single MCAW	3	10 %	1 mg/L	94.7	105.3	3.0	94	106	94	106	3.6	3.6	50 ug/L	Range	
47. Palladium - Flame	253.1	100.00	10.00	No Default	3	10 %	1 mg/L	47.0	153.0	30.0	40.0	160.0	40.0	160.0	36.0	36.0	500 ug/L	Range	
Palladium - Furnace	253.2	100.00	10.00	No Default	3	10 %	100 ug/L	47.0	153.0	30.0	40.0	160.0	40.0	160.0	36.0	36.0	20 ug/L	Range	
Palladium - DCP	---			data															
48. Phenol - Color/Man	420.1	100.00	10.31	Multi MCAW	3	10 %	300 ug/L	79.0	121.0	21.0	77.0	123.0	77.0	123.0	21.0	21.0	5 ug/L	Method	
Phenol - Color/Auto	420.2	98.00	1.12	Single MCAW	3	10 %	1 mg/L	92.0	104.0	3.4	92.0	105.0	92.0	105.0	4.1	4.1	2 ug/L	Range	
49. Phosphorus - GC	---			W															
50. Phosphorus - Asc/Man	365.2	103.09	30.00	Multi MCAW	5	25 %	300 ug/L	43.0	164.0	60.0	37.0	170.0	37.0	170.0	60.0	60.0	10 ug/L	Range	
Phosphorus - Asc/Man	365.3	99.00	22.00	Multi MCAW	5	25 %	300 ug/L	55.0	143.0	44.0	50.0	148.0	50.0	148.0	44.0	44.0	10 ug/L	Range	
Phosphorus - Asc/Auto	365.1	87.20	22.00	Multi MCAW	5	25 %	300 ug/L	43.0	132.0	45.0	38.0	136.0	38.0	136.0	45.0	45.0	10 ug/L	Range	





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No Analyte	Data			Specifications														
	Reference Metho	Precision	Source	CAL	CAL	lin	Spike conc	IPR Recovery Low	IPR Recovery High	Precision Low	OPR Recovery Low	OPR Recovery High	MS/MSD Recovery Low	MS/MSD Recovery High	RPD	MDL	ML Value	ML Calc.
Sodium - FPD	120.1	97.98	7.55 Multi	MCAW	3	10 %	5 mg/L	82.0	114.0	16.0	81.0	115.0	81.0	115.0	16.0	No data		
64. Specific conductance				W														
65. Sulfate - Color/Auto	375.1	99.00	1.80 Single	MCAW	3	10 %	100 mg/L	89.0	109.0	5.4	88.0	110.0	88.0	110.0	6.5	10 mg/L	Range	
				W														
Sulfate - Grav	375.3	102.00	1.45 Single	MCAW	3	10 %	100 mg/L	94.0	110.0	4.4	93.0	111.0	93.0	111.0	5.3	10 ug/L	Range	
				W														
Sulfate - Turbid	375.4	96.99	7.15 Multi	MCAW	3	10 %	100 mg/L	82.0	112.0	15.0	81.0	113.0	81.0	113.0	15.0	1 mg/L	DL	
				W														
66. Sulfide - Turbid	376.1	100.00	10.00 No	Default	3	10 %	10 mg/L	47.0	153.0	30.0	40.0	160.0	40.0	160.0	36.0	1 mg/L	DL	
				W														
Sulfide - Color	376.2	100.00	10.00 No	MCAW	3	10 %	10 mg/L	64.0	136.0	36.0	60.0	140.0	60.0	140.0	36.0	No data		
				W														
67. Sulfite - Turbid	377.1	100.00	10.00 No	Default	3	10 %	10 mg/L	47.0	153.0	30.0	40.0	160.0	40.0	160.0	36.0	3 mg/L	DL	
				W														
68. Surfactants	425.1	101.36	9.13 Multi	MCAW	3	10 %	3 mg/L	83.0	120.0	19.0	81.0	122.0	81.0	122.0	19.0	25 ug/L	Range	
				W														
69. Temperature	170.1	---	---															
70. Thallium - Flame	279.1	100.00	3.00 Single	MCAW	3	10 %	600 ug/L	84.1	115.9	9.0	82	118	82	118	11.0	N/A	600 ug/L	Data
				W														
Thallium - Furnace	279.2	87.10	11.79 Multi	ApX D	5	25 %	100 ug/L	63.0	111.0	24.0	61.0	114.0	61.0	114.0	24.0	5 ug/L	Range	
Thallium - ICP	200.7	82.90	28.34 Multi	ApX C	5	25 %	1 mg/L	26.0	140.0	57.0	20.0	146.0	20.0	146.0	57.0	20 ug/L	50 ug/L	3.18 x MDL

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No Analyte	Reference Method	Precision	Recovery	Source	Data		Specifications												
					Method	Yield	CAL points	CAL lin	Spike conc	IPR Recovery Low	IPR Recovery High	Precision Low	Precision High	OPR Recovery Low	OPR Recovery High	MS/MSD Recovery Low	MS/MSD Recovery High	RPD	MDL
71. Tin - Flame	282.1	96.00	6.25	Single	MCAW	3	10 %	4 mg/L	62.0	130.0	18.8	58.0	134.0	58.0	134.0	23.0	10 mg/L	Range	
				W															
Tin - Furnace	282.2	100.00	10.00	No	Default	3	10 %	10 mg/L	47.0	153.0	30.0	40.0	160.0	40.0	160.0	36.0	20 ug/L	Range	
				data															
Tin - ICP	200.7	100.00	10.00	No	Default	3	10 %	100 ug/L	47.0	153.0	30.0	40.0	160.0	40.0	160.0	36.0	7 ug/L	20 ug/L	3.18 x MDL
				data															
72. Titanium - Flame	283.1	97.00	3.50	Single	MCAW	3	10 %	2 mg/L	78.0	116.0	10.5	76.0	118.0	76.0	118.0	13.0	2 mg/L	Data	
				W															
Titanium - Furnace	283.2	100.00	10.00	No	Default	3	10 %	100 ug/L	47.0	153.0	30.0	40.0	160.0	40.0	160.0	36.0	50 ug/L	Range	
				data															
Titanium - ICP	200.7	100.00	10.00	No	Default	3	10 %	100 ug/L	47.0	153.0	30.0	40.0	160.0	40.0	160.0	36.0	1 ug/L	Range	
				data															
73. Turbidity	180.1	100.00	2.31	Single	MCAW	3	10 %	25 NTU	87.0	113.0	6.9	86.0	114.0	86.0	114.0	8.4	0.05	Est	
				W													NTU		
74. Vanadium - Flame	286.1	100.00	5.00	Single	MCAW	3	10 %	2 mg/L	73.5	126.5	15.0	70	130	70	130	18.0	2 mg/L	Range	
				W															
Vanadium - Furnace	286.2	85.11	32.80	Multi	ApX D	5	25 %	100 ug/L	19.0	151.0	66.0	12.0	158.0	12.0	158.0	66.0	10 ug/L	Range	
				W															
Vanadium - ICP	200.7	94.15	7.88	Multi	ApX C	3	10 %	100 ug/L	78.0	110.0	16.0	76.0	112.0	76.0	112.0	16.0	3 ug/L	10 ug/L	3.18 x MDL
				data															
Vanadium - DCP	--																		
Vanadium - Color	--																		
75. Zinc - Flame	289.1	99.93	18.60	Multi	ApX D	3	10 %	100 mg/L	62.0	138.0	38.0	59.0	141.0	59.0	141.0	38.0	50 ug/L	Range	
				data															
Zinc - Furnace	289.2	168.59	67.06	Multi	ApX D	7	25 %	100 ug/L	34.0	303.0	135.0	21.0	317.0	21.0	317.0	140.0	0.2 ug/L	Range	

Table IF- Standardized QC and QC Acceptance Criteria for Methods in 40 CFR Part 136, Table IB

No Analyte	Data			Specifications													
	Reference Method	Precision	Source	CAL	CAL	Spike conc	IPR Recovery Low	IPR Recovery High	Precision	OPR Recovery Low	OPR Recovery High	MS/MSD Recovery Low	MS/MSD Recovery High	RPD	MDL	ML Value	ML Calc
Zinc - ICP	200.7	93.26	12.89 Multi	5	25 %	100 ug/L	67.0	120.0	26.0	64.0	122.0	64.0	122.0	26.0	2 ug/L	5 ug/L	3.18 x MDL
Zinc - DCP	---																
Zinc - Color/Dithiz	---																
Zinc - Color/Zincen	---																

**Table 1F Note:**

The QC acceptance criteria given in Table 1F were developed from data published in the following sources. For Method 200.7, promulgated at 40 CFR Part 136, Appendix C, QC acceptance criteria were developed using the regression equations at the end of the method. The concentration given in the Spike Conc column is the concentration at which the QC acceptance criteria were calculated. For calculating the precision criterion, the overall standard deviation (S) was used (not the single-analyst standard deviation (SR)). For the remaining 200-series metals methods, QC acceptance criteria were developed from the regression equations in 40 CFR Part 136, Appendix D, where available; otherwise, from performance data published at the end of each method in Methods for Chemical Analysis of Water and Wastes (MCAWW; EPA 600/4-79-020; NTIS PB-123677). For methods other than Method 200.7 and the 200-series metals methods, data published at the end of each method in MCAWW were used, if available; otherwise default QC acceptance criteria, as described below, were used.

The databases used to develop regression equations for Method 200.7 and the 200-series metals methods were not readily

available. Therefore, QC acceptance criteria were calculated using the procedures given in the Streamlining Guide. Where interlaboratory data were available, these data were used and the QC limits were calculated as follows:

$$\text{IPR lower recovery limit} = \text{average} - 2 \times \text{interlab sd}$$

$$\text{IPR upper recovery limit} = \text{average} + 2 \times \text{interlab sd}$$

$$\text{IPR precision limit} = 2 \times \text{sd}$$

$$\text{OPR and MS/MSD lower limit} = \text{average recovery} - 2.2 \times \text{interlab sd}$$

$$\text{OPR and MS/MSD upper limit} = \text{average recovery} + 2.2 \times \text{interlab sd}$$

Where interlaboratory data were not available but single-laboratory data were available, the single-laboratory data were used and the QC limits were calculated as follows:

$$\text{IPR lower recovery limit} = \text{average} - 5.3 \times \text{interlab sd}$$

$$\text{IPR upper recovery limit} = \text{average} + 5.3 \times \text{interlab sd}$$

$$\text{IPR precision limit} = 3.0 \times \text{sd}$$

$$\text{OPR/MS/MSD lower recovery limit} = \text{average} - 6.0 \times \text{interlab sd}$$

$$\text{OPR/MS/MSD upper recovery limit} = \text{average} + 6.0 \times \text{interlab sd}$$

The multipliers include interlaboratory/single laboratory allowances and are explained in the Streamlining Guide.

Where neither interlaboratory nor single-laboratory data were available, default values of 100 percent recovery and 10 percent RSD were used and the QC limits were calculated assuming single laboratory data. This resulted in the following default values:

IPR lower recovery limit: 47%

IPR upper recovery limit: 153%

IPR precision limit: 30% RSD

OPR/MS/MSD lower recovery limit: 40%

OPR/MS/MSD upper recovery limit: 160%

Minimum levels were set to the level listed in the method (ML, low end of the range, sensitivity, or other level, as noted) or, if an MDL was available, were calculated by multiplying the MDL by 3.18 and rounding to the number nearest to 1, 2, or  $5 \times 10^n$ , where n is an integer.

2. On page 15046, the table titled, "Standardized QC and QC Acceptance Criteria for Methods in 40 CFR 141.23(k)(1)" is corrected to read as follows:

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Standardized QC and QC Acceptance Criteria for Methods in 40 CFR 141.23(k)(1)

No. Analyte	Data				Specifications													
	Reference	Recovery	Precision	Source	CAL	MCL	Spike	IPR	Prec-Recovery		MS/MSD		High	RPD	MDL	ML	ML	
	Method	Recovery	Precision	Labs	Point Lin	(ug/L)	conc	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Value	Calc	
1. Alkalinity - Titr/Man	---	---	---	---	3	6.0	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Alkalinity - Titr/Auto	---	---	---	---	3	6.0	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
2. Antimony - Furnace	---	---	---	---	3	6.0	6 ug/L	82.0	115.0	17.0	81.0	117.0	81.0	117.0	17.0	0.4 ug/L	1 ug/L	3.18 x MDL
Antimony - Hydride	---	8.067	Multi	Tbl 12	3	6.0	20 ug/L	80.56	110.2	8.4	78.6	112.2	78.6	112.2	11.0	0.8 ug/L	2 ug/L	3.18 x MDL
Antimony - ICP/MS	200.8	98.8	2.8	Single	3	6.0	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Antimony - STGFAA	200.9	95.4	2.8	Single	3	6.0	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
3. Arsenic - Furnace	---	---	---	---	3	50	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Arsenic - Hydride	---	---	---	---	3	50	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Arsenic - ICP	200.7	98.27	13.59	Multi	3	50	200	71.0	126.0	28.0	68.0	129.0	68.0	129.0	28.0	53 ug/L	200	3.18 x
Arsenic - ICP/MS	200.8	100.44	6.9	Multi	3	50	50 ug/L	86.0	115.0	14.0	85.0	116.0	85.0	116.0	14.0	1.4 ug/L	ug/L	MDL
Arsenic - STGFAA	200.9	88.4	10	Single	3	50	10 ug/L	35.0	142.0	30.0	28.0	149.0	28.0	149.0	36.0	0.5 ug/L	2 ug/L	3.18 x
4. Asbestos - TEM	100.1	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Asbestos - TEM	100.2	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
5. Barium - Flame	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Barium - Furnace	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Barium - ICP	200.7	76.88	18.47	Multi	3	2000	1 mg/L	39.0	114.0	37.0	36.0	118.0	36.0	118.0	37.0	2 ug/L	5 ug/L	3.18 x
Barium - ICP/MS	200.8	96.31	4.55	Multi	3	2000	1 mg/L	87.0	106.0	9.1	86.0	107.0	86.0	107.0	9.1	0.8 ug/L	2.0 ug/L	3.18 x
6. Beryllium - Flame	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Beryllium - ICP	200.7	97.54	25.11	Multi	3	4.0	4 ug/L	47.0	148.0	51.0	42.0	153.0	42.0	153.0	51.0	0.3 ug/L	1 ug/L	3.18 x MDL
Beryllium - ICP/MS	200.8	110.50	12.70	Multi	3	4.0	4 ug/L	65.0	136.0	26.0	82.0	139.0	82.0	139.0	26.0	0.3 ug/L	1 ug/L	3.18 x MDL
Beryllium - STGFAA	200.9	106	9.4	Single	3	4.0	2.5 ug/L	56.0	156.0	28.2	49.0	163.0	49.0	163.0	34.0	0.02 ug/L	0.05	3.18 x MDL

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No.	Analyte	Reference Method	Recovery	Precision	Labs	Source	Specifications														
							CAL		MCL		IPR		OPR		MS/MSD		ML	ML			
							Point	Lin	(ug/L)	conc	Low	High	Prec-	Recover	High	Low			High	RPD	MDL
7. Cadmium - Furnace																					
		200.7	100.07	8.15	Multi	Apx C	3	10 %	5.0	50 ug/L	83.0	117.0	17.0	82.0	118.0	82.0	118.0	17.0	4 ug/L	10 ug/L	3.18 x MDL
		200.8	100.5	16.1	Multi	Tbl 12	3	10 %	5.0	5 ug/L	68.0	133.0	33.0	65.0	136.0	65.0	136.0	33.0	0.5 ug/L	2 ug/L	3.18 x MDL
		200.9	105.2	6.3	Single	Tbl IE	3	10 %	5.0	0.5 ug/L	71.0	139.0	18.9	67.0	143.0	67.0	143.0	23.0	0.05 ug/L	0.2 ug/L	3.18 x MDL
8. Calcium - Flame																					
		200.7	89.22	22.38	Multi	Apx C	3	10 %	--	100	44.0	134.0	45.0	39.0	139.0	39.0	139.0	45.0	10 ug/L	20 ug/L	3.18 x MDL
9. Chromium - Furnace																					
		200.7	98.54	9.39	Multi	Apx C	3	10 %	100	100	79.0	118.0	19.0	77.0	120.0	77.0	120.0	19.0	7 ug/L	20 ug/L	3.18 x MDL
10. Chromium - ICP/MS																					
		200.8	100.45	3.69	Multi	Tbl 12	3	10 %	100	100	93.0	108.0	7.4	92.0	109.0	92.0	109.0	7.4	0.9 ug/L	2 ug/L	3.18 x MDL
11. Copper - Furnace																					
		200.7	92.94	4.71	Multi	Apx C	3	10 %	1000	1 mg/L	83.0	103.0	9.5	82.0	104.0	82.0	104.0	9.5	6 ug/L	20 ug/L	3.18 x MDL
		200.8	97.56	6.39	Multi	Tbl 12	3	10 %	1000	1 mg/L	84.0	111.0	13.0	83.0	112.0	83.0	112.0	13.0	0.09 ug/L	0.2 ug/L	3.18 x MDL
		200.9	111.5	10	Single	Tbl IE	3	10 %	1000	10 ug/L	58.0	165.0	30.0	51.0	172.0	51.0	172.0	36.0	0.7 ug/L	2 ug/L	3.18 x MDL
12. Cyanide - CATC																					
		335.4	100	10	No	Default	3	10 %	200	200	47.0	153.0	30.0	40.0	160.0	40.0	160.0	36.0		5 ug/L	Range

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No. Analyte	Method Reference	Recovery	Precision	Labs	Source	Specifications																
						CAL	MCL	IPR		OPR		MS/MSD		MDL	ML	ML						
								Recovery	Low	High	Precision	Low	High				Recovery	Low	High			
Point Lin	(ug/L) conc	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Low	High	Value	Calc									
Cyanide - ISE																						
13.	Fluoride - Elec/man	---	---				200															
	Fluoride - Elec/auto	---	---				2000															
	Fluoride - SPADNS	---	---				2000															
	Fluoride - Auto/Aliz	---	---				2000															
	Fluoride - IC	300.0	87.7	5	Single	MCAW	3	10 %	2000	2 mg/L	61.0	115.0	15.0	57.0	118.0	57.0	118.0	18.0	5 ug/L	20 ug/L	3.18 x MDL	
pH - Electrode																						
14.	pH - Electrode	150.1	---	---		W			6.5-8.5													
	pH - Auto	150.2	---	---					6.5-8.5													
Lead - Furnace																						
15.	Lead - ICP/MS	200.8	100.20	12.10	Multi	Tbl 12	3	10 %	---	10 ug/L	76.0	125.0	25.0	73.0	127.0	73.0	127.0	25.0	0.6 ug/L	2 ug/L	3.18 x MDL	
	Lead - STGFAA	200.9	101.80	4.00	Single	Tbl IE	3	10 %	---	10 ug/L	80.0	123.0	12.0	77.0	126.0	77.0	126.0	15.0	0.7 ug/L	2 ug/L	3.18 x MDL	
	Mercury - CV/Man	245.1	100.34	43.82	Multi	MCAW	3	10 %	2.0	2 ug/L	12.0	188.0	88.0	3.0	197.0	3.0	197.0	88.0		0.2 ug/L	Range	
	Mercury - CV/Auto	245.2	102	4.5	Single	MCAW	3	10 %	2.0	2 ug/L	78.0	126.0	13.5	75.0	129.0	75.0	129.0	17.0		0.2 ug/L	Range	
Mercury - ICP/MS																						
	Mercury - ICP/MS	200.8	100	10	No	Default	3	10 %	2.0	2 ug/L	47.0	153.0	30.0	40.0	160.0	40.0	160.0	36.0	No data			
Nickel - Flame																						
17.	Nickel - Flame	---							100													
	Nickel - Furnace	---							100													
	Nickel - ICP	200.7	95.48	10.44	Multi	ApX C	3	10 %	100	100	74.0	117.0	21.0	72.0	119.0	72.0	119.0	21.0	15 ug/L	50 ug/L	3.18 x MDL	
	Nickel - ICP/MS	200.8	95.11	5.16	Multi	Tbl 12	3	10 %	100	100	84.0	106.0	11.0	83.0	107.0	83.0	107.0	11.0	0.5 ug/L	2 ug/L	3.18 x MDL	
Nickel - STGFAA																						
	Nickel - STGFAA	200.9	103.8	4.3	Single	Tbl IE	3	10 %	100	20 ug/L	81.0	127.0	12.9	78.0	130.0	78.0	130.0	16.0	0.6 ug/L	2 ug/L	3.18 x MDL	
Nitrate - IC																						
18.	Nitrate - IC	300.0	100.7	5	Single	MCAW	3	10 %	10000	10 mg/L	74.0	128.0	15.0	70.0	131.0	70.0	131.0	18.0	13 ug/L	50 ug/L	3.18 x MDL	

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No. Analyte	Data				Specifications														
	Reference	Prec-	Recovery	Lab Source	CAL	MCL (ug/L)	Spike conc	IPR Recovery		Prec-Recov		MS/MSD Recover		ML	ML				
	Method	Recovery	ision	Multi				W	Low	High	ision	Low	High			Low	High	RPD	MDL
Nitrate - Cd/Auto	353.2	97.31	7.10	Multi	MCAW	3	10000	2.5	83.0	112.0	15.0	81.0	113.0	81.0	113.0	15.0	50 ug/L	Range	
Nitrate - ISE	---	---	---	---	W	---	10000	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Nitrite - IC	300.0	97.7	5	Single	MCAW	3	1000	100	71.0	125.0	15.0	67.0	128.0	67.0	128.0	18.0	4 ug/L	10 ug/L	3.18 x MDL
Nitrite - Cd/Auto	353.2	97.31	7.10	Multi	MCAW	3	1000	2.5	83.0	112.0	15.0	81.0	113.0	81.0	113.0	15.0	50 ug/L	Range	
Nitrite - Spec/Auto	---	---	---	---	W	---	1000	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Nitrite - Spec/Auto	---	---	---	---	W	---	1000	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
O-phosphate - IC	300.0	100.4	3.8	Single	MCAW	3	10 %	---	500	80.0	121.0	11.4	77.0	124.0	77.0	124.0	61 ug/L	200	3.18 x MDL
O-phosphate - Asc/Auto	365.1	87.2	22	Multi	MCAW	3	10 %	---	300	43.0	132.0	45.0	38.0	136.0	38.0	136.0	10 ug/L	Range	
O-phosphate - Asc/Auto	---	---	---	---	W	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
O-phosphate - Asc/Sing	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
O-phosphate - Phos/Mo	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
O-phosphate - Auto/seg	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
O-phosphate - Auto/Dis	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Selenium - Furnace	---	---	---	---	---	---	50	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Selenium - Hydride	---	---	---	---	---	---	50	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Selenium - ICP/MS	200.8	102.48	9.8	Multi	Tbl 12	3	10 %	50	50 ug/L	82.0	123.0	20.0	80.0	125.0	80.0	125.0	7.9 ug/L	20 ug/L	3.18 x MDL
Selenium - STGFAA	200.9	88.9	10	Single	Tbl IE	3	10 %	50	25 ug/L	35.0	142.0	30.0	28.0	149.0	28.0	149.0	0.6 ug/L	2 ug/L	3.18 x MDL

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No. Analyte	Data				Specifications													
	Reference	Method	Recovery	Precision	Labs	Source	CAL	MCL	Spike	IPR		OPR		MS/MSD		ML	ML	
										Recovery	Precision	Recovery	Precision	Recovery	Precision			Recovery
22. Silica - ICP	200.7	53.86	45.38	Multi	Apex C	5	25 %	1 mg/L	145.0	91.0	154.0	91.0	154.0	91.0	154.0	91.0	200	3.18 x MDL
Silica - Color	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Silica - Color/Mo	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Blue	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Silica - Molybdosil	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Silica - Heteropoly	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Silica - Auto/Mo react	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Silica - Flame	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
23. Sodium - ICP	200.7	99.77	24.27	Multi	Apex C	5	25 %	1 mg/L	149.0	49.0	154.0	49.0	154.0	49.0	154.0	49.0	100	3.18 x MDL
Temperature	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
24. Thallium - ICP/MS	200.8	101.5	14.5	Multi	Tbl 12	3	10 %	2 ug/L	72.0	131.0	29.0	69.0	134.0	29.0	134.0	29.0	1 ug/L	3.18 x MDL
Thallium - STGFAA	200.9	95.4	2.8	Single	Tbl IE	3	10 %	20 ug/L	80.0	111.0	8.4	78.0	113.0	11.0	113.0	11.0	2 ug/L	3.18 x MDL

**Note to Table "Standardized QC and QC Acceptance Criteria for Methods in 40 CFR 141.23(k)(1)"**

The QC acceptance criteria given in this table were developed from data published in the following sources. For Method 200.7, incorporated by reference into 40 CFR 141.23(k)(1), QC acceptance criteria were developed using the regression equations in Table 9 at the end of the method and published in Table 4 of Method 200.7 at 40 CFR 136, Appendix C. The concentration given in the Spike Conc column is the concentration at which the QC acceptance criteria were calculated. For calculating the precision criterion, the overall standard deviation (S) was used (not the single-analyst standard deviation (SR)). For the remaining 200-series metals methods, QC acceptance criteria were developed from data in a table either at the end of the method, as referenced in the table, or from performance data published at the end of each method in Methods for Chemical Analysis of Water and Wastes (MCAWW; EPA 600/4-79-020; NTIS PB-123677). For methods other than Method 200.7 and the 200-series metals methods, data published at the end of each method were used, if available; otherwise default QC

acceptance criteria, as described below, were used.

The databases used to develop regression equations for Method 200.7 and the 200-series metals methods were not readily available. Therefore, QC acceptance criteria were calculated using the procedures given in the Streamlining Guide. Where interlaboratory data were available, these data were used and the QC limits were calculated as follows:

IPR lower recovery limit = average - 2 × interlab sd

IPR upper recovery limit = average + 2 × interlab sd

IPR precision limit = 2 × sd

OPR and MS/MSD lower limit = average recovery - 2.2 × interlab sd

OPR and MS/MSD upper limit = average recovery + 2.2 × interlab sd

Where interlaboratory data were not available but single-laboratory data were available, the single-laboratory data were used and the QC limits were calculated as follows:

IPR lower recovery limit = average - 6.0 × interlab sd

IPR upper recovery limit = average + 6.0 × interlab sd

IPR precision limit = 3.0 × sd

OPR/MS/MSD lower recovery limit = average - 6.0 × interlab sd

OPR/MS/MSD upper recovery limit = average + 6.0 × interlab sd

The multipliers include interlaboratory/single-laboratory allowances and are explained in the Streamlining Guide.

Where neither interlaboratory nor single-laboratory data were available, default values of 100 percent recovery and either 5 or 10 percent RSD were used and the QC limits were calculated assuming single laboratory data. This resulted in the following default values:

IPR lower recovery limit: 47%

IPR upper recovery limit: 153%

IPR precision limit: 30% RSD

OPR/MS/MSD lower recovery limit: 40%

OPR/MS/MSD upper recovery limit: 160%

Minimum levels were set by setting the ML to the low end of the range listed in the method or, if an MDL was available, by multiplying the MDL by 3.18 and rounding to the number nearest to 1, 2, or 5 × 10<sup>n</sup>, where n is an integer.

3. On page 15049, Table 141.40(n)(11) is corrected to read as follows:

TABLE 141.40(N)(11)

Parameter/Methodology	Reference method	Other approved methods		
		EPA	Standard methods 18th ed. <sup>1</sup>	Other
1. aldicarb HPLC/FI .....	531.1		6610	.....
2. aldicarb sulfone HPLC/FI .....	531.1		6610	.....
3. aldicarb sulfoxide HPLC/FI .....	531.1		6610	.....
4. aldrin GC/ECD .....	508.1	505, 508		.....
GC/MS .....	525.2			.....
5. butachlor GC/MS .....	525.2			.....
GC/NPD .....	507			.....
6. carbaryl HPLC/FI .....	531.1		6610	.....
7. dicamba GC/ECD .....	515.2	515.1		.....
HPLC .....	555			.....
8. dieldrin GC/ECD .....	508.1	505, 508		.....
HPLC .....	525.2			.....
9. 3-hydroxycarbofuran HPLC/FI .....	531.1		6610	.....
10. methomyl HPLC/FI .....	531.1		6610	.....
11. metolachlor GC/ECD .....	508.1			.....
GC/MS .....	525.2			.....
GC/NPD .....	507			.....
12. metribuzin GC/ECD .....	508.1			.....
GC/MS .....	525.2			.....
GC/NPD .....	507			.....
13. propachlor GC/ECD .....	508.1	508		.....
GC/MS .....	525.2			.....

**Note:** The following acronyms are used in this table:  
 ECD Electron Capture Detector  
 FI Fluorescence

GC Gas Chromatography  
GC/MS Gas Chromatography/Mass Spectrometry  
HPLC High Performance Liquid Chromatography  
NPD Nitrogen Phosphorous Detector  
UV Ultraviolet Detector

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