



# U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Applicability Determination Index

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61.22(e)

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## **Abstract:**

See below. Determination available in abstract form only. Included under "Letter" field to facilitate database word searching.

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## **Letter:**

If asbestos emissions are visible only because of the presence of another pollutant, is a source out of compliance?

It is out of compliance if the level of asbestos in the emission stream is above that which would be found in the background level of the atmosphere. It is necessary in all cases to take a sample of the gas stream to determine the presence of asbestos. Since background levels of asbestos are difficult, if not impossible to determine, a gas stream sample must be done in order to show compliance.