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**STATEMENT OF BASIS
for
Permit No. AQ0021TVP05**

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INTRODUCTION

This document sets forth the statement of basis for the terms and conditions of Operating Permit No. AQ0021TVP05.

STATIONARY SOURCE IDENTIFICATION

Section 1 of Operating Permit No. AQ0021TVP05 contains information on the stationary source as provided in the Title V permit application.

The stationary source, Hoonah Facility, is owned and operated by Inside Passage Electric Cooperative and Inside Passage Electric Cooperative is the Permittee for the stationary source’s operating permit. The standard industrial classification (SIC) code for this stationary source is 4911 Electric Services. The stationary source contains four diesel-fired electric generators and is located in Hoonah, Alaska.

EMISSIONS UNIT INVENTORY AND DESCRIPTION

Under 18 AAC 50.326(a), the Department requires operating permit applications to include identification of all emissions-related information, as described under 40 CFR 71.5(c)(3).

The emissions units at the stationary source that have specific monitoring, recordkeeping, and reporting requirements are listed in Table A of the operating permit. Table A contains information on the emissions units regulated by the operating permit as provided in the application. The table is provided for informational and identification purposes only. Specifically, the emissions unit rating/size provided in the table is not intended to create an enforceable limit.

EMISSIONS

A summary of the potential to emit (PTE)¹ and assessable PTE for the stationary source is shown in the table below.

Table B - Emissions Summary, in Tons Per Year (tpy)

| Emissions | NOx | CO | PM ₁₀ | SO ₂ | VOC | CO _{2e} ¹ | HAPs | Total ² |
|----------------|-------|------|------------------|-----------------|-----|-------------------------------|------|--------------------|
| PTE | 240.0 | 21.9 | 1.8 | 47.6 | 3.8 | 15,079 | 0.15 | 315.1 |
| Assessable PTE | 240 | 22 | 0 | 48 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 310 |

Table Notes:

- ¹ CO_{2e} emissions are defined as the sum of the mass emissions of each individual GHG adjusted for its global warming potential.
- ² Total PTE and total assessable PTE shown in the table do not include CO_{2e} and HAPs.

¹ *Potential to Emit* or *PTE* means the maximum capacity of a stationary source to emit a pollutant under its physical or operational design. Any physical or operational limitation on the capacity of the source to emit a pollutant, including air pollution control equipment and restrictions on hours of operation or on the type or amount of material combusted, stored, or processed, shall be treated as part of its design if the limitation or the effect it would have on emissions is federally enforceable. Secondary emissions do not count in determining the potential to emit of a stationary source, as defined in AS 46.14.990(22).

The assessable PTE listed under Condition 32.1 is the sum of the PTE of each individual air pollutant, other than greenhouse gases (GHGs), for which the stationary source has the potential to emit of 10 tpy or greater. The emissions listed in Table B are estimates that are for informational use only. The listing of the emissions does not create an enforceable limit for the stationary source.

For NO_x, CO, PM, and VOC PTE, emissions are as provided in the technical analysis report for Minor Permit AQ0021MSS02. The Department calculated SO₂ PTE using 0.5 percent sulfur content for the fuel because there is no limit in place for fuel sulfur content.

The Department calculated HAP PTE using EPA's AP 42 and CO_{2e} PTE using 40 CFR 98.

BASIS FOR REQUIRING AN OPERATING PERMIT

In accordance with AS 46.14.130(b), an owner or operator of a Title V source² must obtain a Title V permit consistent with 40 CFR Part 71, as adopted by reference in 18 AAC 50.040.

Except for sources exempted or deferred by AS 46.14.120(e) or (f), AS 46.14.130(b) lists the following categories of sources that require an operating permit:

- A major source;
- A stationary source, including an area source, subject to federal New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) under Section 111 of the Clean Air Act or National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) under Section 112 of the Clean Air Act;
- Another stationary source designated by the Federal Administrator by regulation.

The Permittee is required to obtain an operating permit for the stationary source as specified under 18 AAC 50.326(a) and 40 CFR 71.3(a), because the stationary source is a major source. This stationary source is a major source because, as defined in Section 302 of the Clean Air Act, it directly emits, or has the potential to emit, 100 tpy or more of any air pollutant subject to regulation.

AIR QUALITY PERMITS

Permits to Operate

The Department issued Permit to Operate No. 9611-AA008 for the stationary source on January 27, 1995. The Permittee then requested, and operated, under a pre-approved limit (PAL No. 21) issued on June 14, 1997 that limited fuel usage and NO_x PTE to allow the Permittee to avoid the requirement to obtain an operating permit. The fuel limit in the PAL was exceeded in 1998, and the Department issued a compliance order by consent (COBC No. 99-051-55) on March 7, 1999 that required the Permittee to submit a Title V operating permit application to the Department. With the issuance of the first operating permit, the COBC expired and the PAL was no longer

² *Title V source* means a stationary source classified as needing a permit under AS 46.14.130(b) [ref. 18 AAC 50.990(111)].

necessary. The PSD avoidance limit in the permit to operate was carried into the first operating permit but revised from a kW-hour limit to a fuel limit.

Title I (Construction and Minor) Permits

The Department has not issued any construction permits for this stationary source after January 17, 1997 (the effective date of the divided operating and construction-permitting program).

Minor Permit No. AQ0021MSS01. The Department issued this permit on October 25, 2010 to authorize the replacement of EU ID 1 with EU ID 1A. This permit revised the fuel limit from the permit to operate to a NOx emission cap for EU IDs 2 and 3, while maintaining the initial PSD avoidance status.

Minor Permit No. AQ0021MSS02. The Department issued this permit on April 18, 2012 to authorize the replacement of EU ID 3 with EU IDs 3A and 4. This permit revised the NOx limit from Minor Permit AQ0021MSS01 to an hour limit for EU ID 2, while maintaining the initial PSD avoidance status established in the permit to operate. All stationary source-specific requirements established in this permit are included in Operating Permit No. AQ0021TVP05 as described in Table C.

Title V Operating Permits

Operating Permit No. AQ0021TVP01. The Department issued this permit on June 23, 2000. From June 14, 1997 to October 1, 1998, the Hoonah Facility operated under a pre-approved limit (PAL No. 21). A compliance order by consent (COBC No. 99-051-55) was issued on March 7, 1999 requiring the owner to submit an application to the Department for a Title V operating permit. The owner submitted an application for a Title V operating permit on February 22, 1999.

- Revision No. 1. The permit was administratively revised on December 14, 2000 to correct typographical errors.
- Revision No. 2. The permit was administratively revised on December 6, 2002 to update the condition concerning emission fees to reflect the standard emission fees permit condition, which was adopted by reference into 18 AAC 50 effective May 3, 2002.

Operating Permit No. AQ0021TVP02. The Department issued this permit on June 20, 2005.

Operating Permit No. AQ0021TVP03. The Department issued this permit on October 28, 2009.

- Revision No. 1. The permit was administratively amended on November 23, 2010 to incorporate the conditions of Minor Permit AQ0021MSS01.
- Revision No. 2. The permit was administratively amended on August 31, 2011 to correct a material mistake. Condition 4.7 of Minor Permit AQ0021MSS01 was incorporated into AQ0021TVP03.
- Revision No. 3. The permit was administratively amended on May 21, 2012 to incorporate the conditions of Minor Permit AQ0021MSS02.

Operating Permit No. AQ0021TVP04. The Department issued this permit on April 14, 2017.

The Department received the application for Operating Permit AQ0021TVP05 on March 24, 2021.

COMPLIANCE HISTORY

The stationary source has operated at its current location since 1995. Review of the permit files for this stationary source, which includes the past inspection reports and compliance evaluations indicate a stationary source generally operating in compliance with its operating permit. No significant violations or violations resulting in enforcement action were noted for the Operating Permit AQ0021TVP04 permit term.

APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS FROM PRECONSTRUCTION PERMITS

Incorporated by reference at 18 AAC 50.326(j), 40 CFR Part 71.2 defines “applicable requirement” to include the terms and conditions of any preconstruction permit issued under rules approved in Alaska’s State Implementation Plan (SIP).

Alaska’s SIP includes the following types of preconstruction permits:

- Permits to operate issued on or before January 17, 1997 (these permits cover both construction and operations);
- Construction permits issued on or after January 18, 1997; and
- Minor permits issued on or after October 1, 2004.

Preconstruction permit terms and conditions include both source-specific conditions and conditions derived from regulatory applicable requirements such as standard conditions, generally applicable conditions, and conditions that quote or paraphrase requirements in regulation.

These requirements include, but are not limited to, each emissions unit- or source-specific requirement established in these permits issued under 18 AAC 50 that are still in effect at the time of issuance of Operating Permit No. AQ0021TVP05. Table C below lists the requirements carried into Operating Permit No. AQ0021TVP05 to ensure compliance with preconstruction permit requirements.

Table C - Comparison of Minor Permit No. AQ0021MSS02 Conditions to Operating Permit No. AQ0021TVP05 Conditions¹

| AQ0021MSS02 Condition No. | Description of Requirement | AQ0021TVP05 Condition No. | How Condition was Revised |
|----------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 5 | EU ID 2 hours of operation limit for NOx | 13 | Not revised. |
| 6 | Operation and decommissioning of EU ID 3 | NA | Unit has been removed from service. |

Table Note:

¹ This table does not include all standard and general conditions.

NON-APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS

This section discusses standard conditions and other requirements that are not included in the operating permit for specific reasons.

- **NSPS Subparts K, Ka, Kb:** Although the Permittee has a fuel storage tank, the requirements of Subparts K and Ka are not currently applicable because the tank has not been modified or reconstructed since the subpart applicability dates. The tank does not meet the minimum size for applicability in Subpart Kb.
- **40 CFR 64 Compliance Assurance Monitoring (CAM):** None of the emissions units at the stationary source use a control device to achieve compliance with emission limits or standards. Therefore, CAM requirements are not applicable.

STATEMENT OF BASIS FOR THE PERMIT CONDITIONS

The Department adopted regulations from 40 CFR 71, as specified in 18 AAC 50.040(j), in addition to creating state regulations, to establish an operating permit program. The EPA fully approved the Alaska Operating Permit Program on November 30, 2001, as noted in Appendix A to 40 CFR 70. This Statement of Basis, required under 40 CFR 71.11(b), provides the legal and factual basis for each condition of Operating Permit No. AQ0021TVP05. Additionally and as required by 40 CFR 71.6(a)(1)(i), the state and federal regulations for each permit condition are cited in the permit.

Conditions 1 through 4, Visible Emissions Standard and MR&R

Legal Basis: These conditions require compliance with the applicable requirements in 18 AAC 50.055(a).

- 18 AAC 50.055(a) applies to the operation of fuel-burning equipment and industrial processes. EU IDs 1A, 2, 3A, and 4 are fuel-burning equipment or industrial processes.

U.S. EPA approved the addition of these standards to the SIP, as noted in 40 CFR 52.70. The Department included permit conditions for MR&R as required by 40 CFR 71.6(a)(3) and 71.6(c)(1).

Factual Basis: Condition 1 prohibits the Permittee from causing or allowing visible emissions in excess of the applicable standard in 18 AAC 50.055(a)(1). MR&R requirements are listed in Conditions 2 through 4 of the permit. These conditions have been adopted into regulation as Standard Permit Condition (SPC) IX.

The Permittee must establish by visual observations, which may be supplemented by other means (e.g., a defined stationary source operation and maintenance program), that the stationary source is in continuous compliance with the state standards for visible emissions. These conditions detail a stepwise monitoring program to determine compliance with the state visible emissions standards. Equipment types covered by these conditions are internal combustion engines, turbines, heaters, boilers, and flares. Initial monitoring frequency schedules are established along with subsequent reductions or increases in frequency depending on the results of the self-monitoring program. Reasonable action thresholds are established in these conditions that require the Permittee to progressively address potential visible emission problems from emissions units through maintenance programs and/or more rigorous tests that will quantify whether a specific emission standard has been exceeded.

Liquid Fuel-Burning Equipment:

Monitoring – The emissions units must be observed by either the Method 9 or the Smoke/No Smoke Plan. Corrective actions such as maintenance procedures or more frequent observations may be required depending on the results of the observations.

Recordkeeping – The Permittee is required to record the results of all visible emissions observations and record any actions taken to reduce visible emissions.

Reporting – The Permittee is required to report emissions in excess of the state visible emissions standard and deviations from permit conditions. The Permittee is also required to include in the operating report a statement of which visible emissions plan was used for each emissions unit and copies of the results of all visible emission observations.

Conditions 5 through 8, Particulate Matter Standard and MR&R

Legal Basis: These conditions require compliance with the applicable requirement in 18 AAC 50.055(b).

- 18 AAC 50.055(b)(1) applies to the operation of fuel-burning equipment and industrial processes. EU IDs 1A, 2, 3A, and 4 are fuel-burning equipment or industrial processes.

This particulate matter standard applies because it is contained in the federally-approved SIP. The Department included permit conditions for MR&R as required by 40 CFR 71.6(a)(3) and 71.6(c)(1).

Factual Basis: Condition 5 prohibits emissions in excess of the applicable state particulate matter standard. MR&R requirements are listed in Conditions 6 through 8 of the permit. These conditions have been adopted into regulation as SPC IX.

The Permittee must establish by visual observations, which may be supplemented by other means (e.g., a defined stationary source operation and maintenance program), that the stationary source is in continuous compliance with the state's emission standards for particulate matter.

Liquid Fuel-Burning Equipment:

Monitoring – The Permittee is required to either take corrective action, or conduct PM source testing, if opacity threshold values are exceeded. For liquid fuel-burning engines and turbines, the Department set opacity threshold values of 15 percent for stack diameters less than 18 inches and 20 percent for stack diameters equal to or greater than 18 inches. These opacity thresholds are based on a study conducted by the Department in an effort to establish a correlation between opacity and PM. The data was collected from diesel engines of various stack sizes and the results are as follows:

- For stacks normalized to 21 inches – 0.05 gr/dscf corresponds to 27% opacity
- For stacks normalized to 18 inches – 0.05 gr/dscf corresponds to 23% opacity
- For stacks normalized to 12 inches – 0.05 gr/dscf corresponds to 16.8 % opacity
- For stacks normalized to 10 inches – 0.05 gr/dscf corresponds to 14.3 % opacity

This means that the trend line for the complete data set predicts that 20% opacity corresponds to a little less than the PM limit for an 18-inch stack. There may be engines that exceed the thresholds but the intent of the standard condition is not to guarantee that each engine that might exceed the PM standard will be tested. The Department expects few, if any, engines to actually be tested under this condition. What the Department does expect is

that with the adopted condition in place, operators that find an opacity above or near the testing threshold will take corrective action necessary to reduce PM emissions. This would achieve the desired environmental outcome without the added cost of testing. The Department expects this to be the case with both thresholds.

The method is premised on the fact that a five percent difference in opacity is distinguishable. The conditions mean that if opacity readings as measured using Method 9 – with all of its limitations – exceed the threshold, the Permittee must either take corrective action or conduct a PM source test. The compliance conditions for PM do not draw a legal conclusion about whether the method shows compliance with the visible emissions standard.

Recordkeeping – The Permittee is required to record the results of particulate matter source tests and visible emissions observations conducted during the source test.

Reporting – The Permittee is required to report incidents when emissions in excess of the opacity threshold are observed and results of particulate matter source tests. The Permittee is also required to include copies of the results of all visible emission observations taken during particulate matter source testing in the operating report.

Conditions 9 through 11, Sulfur Compound Emissions Standard and MR&R

Legal Basis: This condition requires compliance with the sulfur compound emission standards under 18 AAC 50.055(c).

- 18 AAC 50.055(c) applies to the operation of fuel-burning equipment and industrial processes. EU IDs 1A, 2, 3A, and 4 are fuel-burning equipment or industrial processes.

These sulfur compound standards apply because they are contained in the federally-approved SIP. The Department included permit conditions for MR&R as required by 40 CFR 71.6(a)(3) and 71.6(c)(1).

Factual Basis: The Permittee may not cause or allow the affected equipment to violate the applicable sulfur compound standard. Sulfur dioxide comes from the sulfur in the fuel (e.g. coal, natural gas, fuel oils).

Liquid Fuels:

For liquid fuel-burning equipment, the MR&R conditions are SPCs XI and XII, adopted into regulation pursuant to AS 46.14.010(e).

Condition 12, Used Oil Requirements

Legal Basis: These requirements were contained in several pre-January 18, 1997, permits and mirror those found in the Alaska Air Quality Control Plan, which is part of the SIP.

Factual Basis: Because of various metal contaminants, used oil may have higher particulate emissions than regular fuel oil. Therefore, burning used oil by itself may cause a violation of the state visible and/or particulate emissions standards.

The monitoring required in SPC IX is not sufficient for used oil. Rather than complicate the standard monitoring, this permit requires blending or co-firing the used oil with at least an equal quantity of fuel oil. Blending or co-firing the used oil with fuel oil has been used to ensure compliance at other facilities. As an alternative, the Permittee may demonstrate compliance using a source test.

Condition 13, Preconstruction Permit Requirements

Legal Basis: The Permittee is required to comply with all stationary source-specific requirements that were carried forward from previous SIP-approved Permits to Operate issued on or before January 17, 1997 and operating permits issued between January 18, 1997 and September 30, 2004, and with all stationary source-specific requirements in EPA PSD permits, SIP-approved construction permits, SIP-approved minor permits, and owner requested limits established under 18 AAC 50.225. These requirements include Best Available Control Technology (BACT) limits, limits to ensure compliance with the attainment or maintenance of ambient air quality standards or maximum allowable ambient concentrations, and owner requested limits. Requirements from the permits listed above apply because they were originally developed through case-by-case action under a federally-approved SIP or approved operating permit program.

Factual Basis: The requirements from Title I permit conditions are included in the operating permit as described in Table C above.

Condition 14, Insignificant Emissions Units

Legal Basis: The Permittee is required to meet the state emission standards in 18 AAC 50.050(a) for all incinerators regardless of size and 18 AAC 50.055 for all industrial processes and fuel-burning equipment regardless of size. As previously noted, 18 AAC 50.050(a) and 50.055 are contained in the federally-approved SIP. The Department also added permit conditions for MR&R as required by 40 CFR 71.6(a)(3) and 71.6(c)(1).

Factual Basis: The condition requires insignificant emissions units to comply with the state emission standards for visible emissions, particulate matter emissions, and sulfur-compound emissions. Insignificant emissions units are not generally listed in operating permits unless specific monitoring, recordkeeping and reporting are necessary to ensure compliance. However, the Permittee may not cause or allow insignificant emission units at the stationary source to violate these standards whether or not they are listed in the operating permit.

The Department finds that the insignificant units at this stationary source do not require specific monitoring, recordkeeping and reporting to ensure compliance under these conditions. The conditions require certification that the units did not exceed state emission standards during the previous year and did not emit any prohibited air pollution. The Department used the language in SPC V for the permit condition.

Conditions 15 and 16, 40 CFR 60 Subpart A Requirements

Legal Basis: The EPA approved Alaska's Part 70 Program on November 30, 2001. The Department is the permitting authority for the Part 70 Program. Although the EPA has not delegated to the Department the authority to administer the New Source Performance Standards (NSPS), NSPS requirements are included in the definition of "applicable requirement" under 40 CFR 71.2, which has been adopted by the Department under 18 AAC 50.040(j)(1).

The Department is unable to change the wording of relevant NSPS to substitute "the Department" for "the Administrator". The Department requires access to any permit-related information provided by the Permittee to the EPA to act on its responsibility as the permitting authority to determine compliance with the NSPS. Therefore, the Department has defined "the Administrator" to mean the "EPA and the Department" for conditions implementing the federal emission standards under Section 4 of the operating permits.

The Permittee must comply with 40 CFR 60 Subpart A if the stationary source is subject to the requirements of another subpart under 40 CFR 60.

Condition 15.1 - The requirements to notify the Administrator of any proposed replacement of components of an existing facility (40 CFR 60.15) apply in the event that the fixed capital cost of the new components exceeds 50 percent of the fixed capital cost that would be required to construct a comparable entirely new facility.

Condition 16 - Concealment of emissions prohibitions in 40 CFR 60.12 are applicable to most NSPS affected facilities.

Factual Basis: Subpart A contains general requirements applicable to all affected facilities (emissions units) subject to NSPS. In general, the intent of NSPS is to provide technology-based emission control standards for new, modified and reconstructed affected facilities.

Condition 17, 40 CFR 60 Subpart III Requirements

Legal Basis: The Department has incorporated by reference the NSPS requirements for specific industrial activities, as listed in 18 AAC 50.040(a). NSPS Subpart III applies to stationary compression ignition internal combustion engines (CI ICE) that commence construction, modification, or reconstruction after July 11, 2005 where the stationary CI ICE are manufactured after April 1, 2006 for non-fire pump engines and after July 1, 2006 for certified fire pump engines. EU ID 1A is subject to the requirements of Subpart III because it is a non-fire pump engine that was manufactured in 2010.

Factual Basis: These conditions incorporate the applicable Subpart III emissions standards. These conditions also specify the MR&R requirements contained in the subpart. The Permittee is required to operate and maintain the stationary CI ICE according to the manufacturer's written instructions or procedures developed by the Permittee that are approved by the engine manufacturer. Under 40 CFR 60.4216(d), the fuel requirements in

40 CFR 60.4207 do not apply to owners and operators of pre-2014 model year stationary CI ICE subject to NSPS Subpart IIII that are located in remote areas of Alaska.

The Permittee installed EU IDs 3A and 4 in 2012. However, these engines were manufactured in 2005 so they are not subject to the requirements of Subpart IIII as specified in 40 CFR 60.4200(a)(2). Additionally, EU IDs 3A and 4 were initially ordered on June 23, 2005. Therefore, the requirements of 40 CFR 60.4208 are not applicable, as specified in 40 CFR 60.4200(a) and 60.4200(a)(4).

Condition 18, 40 CFR 61 Subpart A & M Requirements

Legal Basis: The requirements of 40 CFR 61 are applicable requirements for Title V permitting purposes, as stated in item 4 of the “applicable requirement” definition under 40 CFR 71.2. The condition requires the Permittee to comply with asbestos demolition or renovation requirements in 40 CFR 61, Subpart M, as adopted by reference under 18 AAC 50.040(b)(2)(F). The asbestos demolition and renovation requirements apply if the Permittee engages in asbestos demolition or renovation.

Factual Basis: Because these regulations include adequate monitoring and reporting requirements and because the Permittee is not currently engaged in such activity, simply citing the regulatory requirements is sufficient to ensure compliance with these federal regulations.

Condition 19, 40 CFR 63 Subpart A Requirements

Legal Basis: The Permittee must comply with applicable National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP). NESHAP requirements are included in the “applicable requirement” definition under 40 CFR 71.2, which has been adopted by the Department under 18 AAC 50.040(j)(1).

The Permittee must comply with 40 CFR 63 Subpart A if the stationary source is subject to the requirements of another subpart under 40 CFR 63.

Factual Basis: Subpart A contains general requirements applicable to all facilities and emissions units subject to NESHAP requirements.

Condition 21, 40 CFR 63 Subpart ZZZZ Requirements

Legal Basis: The Department has incorporated by reference the NESHAP requirements for specific industrial activities, as listed in 18 AAC 50.040(c). NESHAP Subpart ZZZZ applies to owners and operators of any existing, new, or reconstructed stationary reciprocating internal combustion engines (RICE) located at major and area sources of HAP emissions. Hoonah Facility is an area source that contains RICE units.

Factual Basis: EU ID 1A is a new compression ignition engine under Subpart ZZZZ. For EU ID 1A, the Permittee must meet the requirements of 40 CFR 63 by meeting the requirements of 40 CFR 60 Subpart IIII. There are no further requirements under 40 CFR 63 for EU ID 1A.

For EU IDs 2, 3A, and 4, the Permittee is required to perform inspections and maintenance at intervals specified by the subpart and operate and maintain any affected source, including associated air pollution control equipment and monitoring equipment, in a manner consistent with safety and good air pollution control practices for minimizing emissions. EU IDs 2, 3A, and 4 are exempt from the CO emission limits of the subpart under 40 CFR 63.6603(b)(2).

The Permittee must comply with the recordkeeping requirements of 40 CFR 63.6655(e) and 40 CFR 63.6660. The Permittee is also required to include reports of deviations from NESHAP Subpart ZZZZ requirements with the facility operating reports, in accordance with 40 CFR 63.6650(f).

Under 40 CFR 63.6645(a)(5), initial notification is not required for existing stationary CI RICE that are not subject to any numerical emission standards. In addition, fuel requirements under 40 CFR 63.6604 do not apply, as specified in 40 CFR 63.6604(d).

Conditions 22 through 24, 40 CFR 82 Subpart F, G, & H Requirements

Legal Basis: The requirements of 40 CFR 82 are applicable requirements for Title V permitting purposes, as stated in item 12 of the “applicable requirement” definition under 40 CFR 71.2. Condition 22 requires compliance with the applicable requirements in 40 CFR 82, as adopted by reference under 18 AAC 50.040(d). The requirements apply if the Permittee engages in the recycling or disposal of certain refrigerants. The condition requires the Permittee to comply with the standards for recycling and emission reduction of refrigerants in 40 CFR 82, Subpart F.

Conditions 23 and 24 also require compliance with the applicable requirement adopted under 18 AAC 50.040(d). Condition 23 prohibitions apply to all stationary sources that use substitutes for ozone-depleting compounds. Condition 24 prohibitions apply to all stationary sources that use halon for extinguishing fires and inert gas to reduce explosion risk. These conditions prohibit the Permittee from causing or allowing violations of these requirements.

Factual Basis: Because these regulations include adequate monitoring and reporting requirements and because the Permittee is not currently engaged in such activity, simply citing the regulatory requirements is sufficient to ensure compliance with this federal regulation. These conditions also incorporate applicable 40 CFR 82 requirements.

Conditions 25 through 27, NESHAP Applicability Determination Requirements

Legal Basis: These conditions require the Permittee to determine NESHAP rule applicability and require recordkeeping for those determinations and notifications as applicable.

Factual Basis: The Permittee has conducted an analysis of the stationary source and determined that it is not a major HAPs stationary source based on emissions. This condition requires the Permittee to notify the Department and Administrator if the stationary source becomes an affected source subject to a standard promulgated by EPA under 40 CFR part 63 and to keep records of applicability determinations and make those records available to the Department. Notifications of construction are also required as applicable.

Conditions 28 through 30, Standard Terms and Conditions

Legal Basis: These are standard conditions required for all operating permits under 18 AAC 50.345(a) and (e) through (g). As stated in 18 AAC 50.326(j)(3), the standard permit conditions of 18 AAC 50.345 replace the provisions of 40 CFR 71.6(a)(5) through (7).

Factual Basis: These are standard conditions that are included in all operating permits.

Condition 31, Administration Fees

Legal Basis: This condition requires compliance with the applicable fee requirements in 18 AAC 50.400 through 403. Paying administration fees is required as part of obtaining and holding a permit with the Department or as a fee for a Department action. As stated in 18 AAC 50.326(j)(1), the provisions of 18 AAC 50.400 through 50.430 are applicable and 40 CFR 71.9 is not applicable.

Factual Basis: The regulations in 18 AAC 50.400 through 403 specify the amount, payment period, and the frequency of fees applicable to a permit action.

Conditions 32 and 33, Emission Fees

Legal Basis: These conditions require compliance with the applicable fee requirements in 18 AAC 50.410 through 50.420. The regulations specify the time period for the assessable emissions and the methods the Permittee may use to calculate assessable emissions. As stated in 18 AAC 50.326(j)(1), the provisions of 18 AAC 50.400 through 50.430 are applicable and 40 CFR 71.9 is not applicable.

Factual Basis: The Department used the language in SPC I, adopted by reference under 18 AAC 50.346(b), for the permit. These conditions require the Permittee to pay fees in accordance with the Department's billing regulations. The billing regulations set the due dates for payment of fees based on the billing date.

The assessable emissions are the lesser of the stationary source's potential or projected emissions of each air pollutant at 10 tons per year or greater (AS 46.14.250(h)(1)). The conditions allow the Permittee to calculate assessable emissions based on previous actual annual emissions. According to AS 46.14.250(h)(1), assessable emissions are based on each air pollutant. Therefore, fees shall be paid on any pollutant emitted whether or not the permit contains any limitation for that pollutant.

This standard condition specifies that, unless otherwise approved by the Department, calculations of assessable emissions based on actual emissions must be for the previous calendar year. Since each current year's assessable emissions are based on the previous year, the Department will not give refunds or make additional billings at the end of the current year if the estimated emissions and current year actual emissions do not match.

Condition 34, Dilution

Legal Basis: 18 AAC 50.045 is included in the SIP approved by EPA. It is therefore an applicable requirement, per 40 CFR 71.2. This condition reiterates 18 AAC 50.045(a), which prohibits the Permittee from using dilution as an emission control strategy.

Factual Basis: The condition prohibits the Permittee from diluting emissions as a means of compliance with any standard in 18 AAC 50.

Condition 35, Reasonable Precautions to Prevent Fugitive Dust

Legal Basis: This condition reiterates 18 AAC 50.045(d), which requires a person to use reasonable precautions when handling, storing or transporting bulk materials or engaging in an industrial activity. This requirement applies because the Permittee has an emission unit or activity listed under Table 7 of 18 AAC 50.346(c). 18 AAC 50.045 is included in the SIP approved by EPA. The listed emission units and activities in Table 7 are: coal-fired boilers; coal handling facilities; construction of gravel pads or roads that are part of a permitted stationary source or other construction that has the potential to generate fugitive dust that reaches ambient air; commercial/industrial/municipal solid waste, air curtain, and medical waste incinerators; sewage sludge incinerators not using wet methods to handle that ash; mines; urea manufacturing; soil remediation units; or dirt roads under the control of the operator with frequent vehicle traffic; and other emission units the Department finds are likely to generate fugitive dust.

Factual Basis: The Department used the language in Standard Permit Condition X for the permit. The condition requires the Permittee to take reasonable action to prevent particulate matter from being emitted into the ambient air in accordance with 18 AAC 50.045(d).

Condition 36, Stack Injection

Legal Basis: 18 AAC 50.055 is included in the SIP approved by EPA. It is therefore an applicable requirement per 40 CFR 71.2.

This condition requires compliance with the applicable requirement in 18 AAC 50.055(g). It prohibits the Permittee from releasing materials other than process emissions, products of combustion, or materials introduced to control pollutant emissions from a stack (i.e. disposing of material by injecting it into a stack). Stack injection requirements apply to stacks of emissions units at a stationary source constructed or modified after November 1, 1982.

Factual Basis: No specific monitoring for this condition is practical. Compliance is ensured by inspections, because the unit or stack would need to be modified to accommodate stack injection.

Condition 37, Air Pollution Prohibited

Legal Basis: 18 AAC 50.110 is included in the SIP approved by EPA. It is therefore an applicable requirement per 40 CFR 71.2.

This condition requires compliance with 18 AAC 50.110. The condition prohibits the Permittee from causing any emission which is injurious to human health or welfare, animal or plant life, or property, or which would unreasonably interfere with the enjoyment of life or property. The Department also included permit conditions for MR&R as required by 40 CFR 71.6(a)(3) and 71.6(c)(1).

Factual Basis: The Department used the language in SPC II for the permit. This condition spells out how to monitor, record, and report prohibited air pollution. While the other permit conditions and emissions limitations should ensure compliance with this condition, unforeseen emission impacts can cause violations of this standard. These violations would go undetected except for complaints from affected persons. Therefore, to monitor compliance, the Permittee must monitor and respond to complaints.

The Permittee is required to report any complaints and injurious emissions. The Permittee must keep records of the date, time, and nature of all complaints received and summary of the investigation and corrective actions undertaken for these complaints, and must submit copies of these records upon request of the Department.

Condition 38, Technology-Based Emission Standard

Legal Basis: The Permittee is required to take reasonable steps to minimize emissions if certain activities cause an exceedance of any technology-based emission standard in this permit. This condition requires compliance with the requirement in 18 AAC 50.235. Technology-Based Emission Standard requirements apply because the stationary source contains equipment subject to a technology-based emission standard, such as BACT, MACT, LAER, NSPS or any other similar standard for which the stringency of the standard is based on determinations of what is technologically feasible, considering relevant factors.

Factual Basis: The conditions of this permit list applicable technology-based emission standards and require excess emission reporting for each standard in accordance with Condition 54. Excess emission reporting under Condition 54 requires information on the steps taken to minimize emissions.

Condition 39, Open Burning

Legal Basis: 18 AAC 50.065 is included in the SIP approved by EPA. The condition requires the Permittee to comply with the regulatory requirements in 18 AAC 50.065 when conducting open burning at the stationary source. The state open burning regulation in 18 AAC 50.065 applies to the Permittee if the Permittee conducts open burning at the stationary source.

Factual Basis: The Permittee may conduct open burning by following the provisions of 18 AAC 50.065 and by following the Department guidelines posted at the website <http://dec.alaska.gov/air/air-permit/open-burn-application/>. The condition requires the Permittee to keep records to demonstrate compliance with the standards for conducting open burning.

More extensive monitoring and recordkeeping is not warranted because the Permittee does not conduct open burning as a routine part of their business. Also, most of the requirements are prohibitions, which are not easily monitored.

Condition 40, Requested Source Tests

Legal Basis: The Permittee is required to conduct source tests as requested by the Department. This requirement is under 18 AAC 50.220(a) and 50.345(k), which are included in the SIP approved by EPA.

Factual Basis: This condition applies because this is a standard condition to be included in all operating permits, as specified in 18 AAC 50.345(a).

Conditions 41 through 43, Operating Conditions, Reference Test Methods, Excess Air Requirements

Legal Basis: Conditions 41 and 43 require compliance with the applicable requirements in 18 AAC 50.220(b) and (c)(3), which are included in the SIP approved by EPA. Condition 42 specifies source test methods, as required by 40 CFR 71.6(a)(3)(i) and 71.6(c)(1). These requirements apply because the Permittee is required by the permit to conduct source tests, or a source test may be requested by the Department. The Permittee is required to conduct source tests in the manner set out in Conditions 41 through 43.

Factual Basis: These conditions supplement the specific monitoring requirements stated elsewhere in this permit.

Condition 44, Test Exemption

Legal Basis: This condition incorporates the source test exemption in 18 AAC 50.345(a) regarding visible emissions observations. 18 AAC 50.345(a) is included in the SIP approved by EPA.

Factual Basis: As provided in 18 AAC 50.345(a), the requirements for test plans, notifications and reports do not apply to visible emissions observations by smoke readers, except in connection with required particulate matter testing.

Conditions 45 through 48, Test Deadline Extension, Test Plans, Notifications and Reports

Legal Basis: These conditions require compliance with the applicable requirements in 18 AAC 50.345(m) through (o), which are included in the SIP approved by EPA. Condition 45 contains the requirement in 18 AAC 50.345(l). The requirements in 18 AAC 50.345(l) through (o) constitute standard conditions that must be included in each operating permit, as specified in 18 AAC 345(a). These requirements apply because the Permittee is required to conduct source tests as set out by this permit or as requested by the Department.

Factual Basis: These standard conditions supplement specific monitoring requirements stated elsewhere in this permit.

Condition 49, Particulate Matter Calculations

Legal Basis: This condition requires the Permittee to reduce particulate matter data in accordance with 18 AAC 50.220(f), which is included in the SIP approved by EPA. It applies when the Permittee tests for compliance with the particulate matter standards in 18 AAC 50.050 or 50.055.

Factual Basis: The condition incorporates a regulatory requirement for particulate matter source tests. This condition supplements specific monitoring requirements stated elsewhere in this permit.

Condition 50, Recordkeeping Requirements

Legal Basis: This condition requires the Permittee to keep records in accordance with 40 CFR 71.6(a)(3)(ii), which the Department adopted by reference under 18 AAC 50.040(j)(4).

Factual Basis: The condition restates the regulatory requirements for recordkeeping, and supplements the recordkeeping defined for specific conditions in the permit. 40 CFR 71.6(a)(3)(ii) requires at least five years of records retention.

Condition 51, Certification

Legal Basis: All operating permits must contain a requirement to certify any permit application, report, affirmation, or compliance certification, per 18 AAC 50.345(j) and 18 AAC 50.205. Both requirements are part of the SIP approved by EPA.

Factual Basis: The requirement in 18 AAC 50.345(j) is a standard condition that must be included in each operating permit, as specified in 18 AAC 50.345(a). This condition requires the Permittee to certify any permit application, report, affirmation, or compliance certification submitted to the Department. To ease the certification burden on the Permittee, the condition allows the excess emission reports to be certified with the operating report, even though it must still be submitted more frequently than the stationary source operating report. This condition supplements the reporting requirements of this permit. The certification statement through electronic signature and options for submittal provide paperless options for reporting without compelling Permittees to any specific means of submission.

Condition 52, Submittals

Legal Basis: This condition requires the Permittee to comply with the standardized reporting requirements in 18 AAC 50.326(j) and applies because the Permittee is required to send reports to the Department.

Factual Basis: The Department used the language in SPC XVII, adopted by reference under 18 AAC 50.346(b)(10), for the permit condition. This condition lists the Department's appropriate address for reports and written notices. The Permittee is required to submit reports, compliance certifications, and other submittals required by this permit, either

electronically or by hard copy. This condition supplements the standard reporting and notification requirements of this permit. The condition also directs the Permittee to refer to the submission instructions on the Department's Standard Permit Conditions webpage for additional information regarding document submittals (e.g., the appropriate Department address).

Condition 53, Information Requests

Legal Basis: All operating permits must include a condition that requires the Permittee to furnish certain information upon request, per 18 AAC 50.345(i). The requirement is part of the SIP approved by EPA.

Factual Basis: The requirement in 18 AAC 50.345(i) is a standard condition that must be included in each operating permit, as specified in 18 AAC 345(a). This condition requires the Permittee to submit information requested by the Department.

Condition 54, Excess Emission and Permit Deviation Reports

Legal Basis: This condition requires the Permittee to comply with the requirements in 18 AAC 50.235(a)(2) and 18 AAC 50.240(c). The condition specifies reporting requirements as required by 40 CFR 71.6(a)(3)(iii) and 71.6(c)(1). Also, the Permittee is required to notify the Department when emissions or operations deviate from the requirements of the permit.

Factual Basis: This condition satisfies two state regulations related to excess emissions - the technology-based emission standard regulation and the excess emission regulation. Although there are some differences between the regulations, the condition satisfies the requirements of each regulation.

The Department used the language in SPC III for the permit condition. The Department used the notification form in SPC IV for the notification requirements.

Condition 55, Operating Reports

Legal Basis: This condition requires compliance with the applicable requirement in 18 AAC 50.346(b)(6). The condition specifies reporting requirements as required by 40 CFR 71.6(a)(3)(iii)(A), which the Department has adopted by reference under 18 AAC 50.040(j)(4).

Factual Basis: The Department used the language in SPC VII for the permit condition. The condition restates the requirements for reports listed in regulation. The condition supplements the specific reporting requirements elsewhere in the permit.

The condition specifies that for the transition periods between an expiring permit and a renewal permit, the Permittee shall ensure that there is date-to-date continuity between the expired permit and the renewal permit such that the Permittee reports against the permit terms and conditions of the permit that was in effect during those partial date periods of the transition. No format is specified. The Permittee may provide one report accounting for each

permit term or condition and the effective permit at that time. Alternatively, the Permittee may choose to provide two reports – one accounting for reporting elements of permit terms and conditions from the end date of the previous operating report until the date of expiration of the old permit, and a second operating report accounting for reporting elements of terms and conditions in effect from the effective date of the renewal permit until the end of the reporting period.

Condition 56, Annual Compliance Certification

Legal Basis: This condition requires compliance with the requirements in 40 CFR 71.6(c)(5), which the Department adopted by reference under 18 AAC 50.040(j).

Factual Basis: This condition specifies the periodic compliance certification requirements, and specifies a due date for the annual compliance certification.

Condition 56.2 provides clarification of transition periods between an expiring permit and a renewal permit to ensure that the Permittee certifies compliance with the permit terms and conditions of the permit that was in effect during those partial date periods involved in the transition. No format is specified: the Permittee may provide one report certifying compliance with each permit term or condition for each of the effective permits during the certification period, or may choose to provide two reports – one certifying compliance with permit terms and conditions from January 1 until the date of expiration of the old permit, and a second report certifying compliance with terms and conditions in effect from the effective date of the renewal permit until December 31.

The Permittee is required to submit to the Department an annual compliance certification report. The Permittee may submit the required report electronically at their discretion.

Condition 57, Emission Inventory Reporting

Legal Basis: This condition requires the Permittee to submit emissions data to the state so the state is able to satisfy the federal requirement to submit emission inventory data from point sources to the EPA as required under 40 CFR 51.15 and 51.321. The emission inventory requirement applies to sources defined as point sources in 40 CFR 51.50. The state must report emissions data as described in 40 CFR 51.15 and the data elements in Tables 2a and 2b to Appendix A of 40 CFR 51 Subpart A to EPA.

Factual Basis: The Department used the language in SPC XV, as adopted by reference under 18 AAC 50.346(b)(8), for the permit condition. The emission inventory data is due to EPA 12 months after the end of the reporting year (40 CFR 51.30(a)(1) and (b)(1)). Permittees have until April 30th to compile and submit the data to the Department. To expedite the Department's process of transferring data into EPA's electronic reporting system, the Department encourages Permittees to submit the emission inventory through the Department's electronic emission inventory submission system in the Permittee Portal on the Department's Air Online Services webpage. A myAlaska account and profile are needed to gain access to the Permittee Portal. Other options are to submit the emission inventory via mail, email, or fax. Detailed instructions on completing and submitting the emission inventory and the report form are available at the Point Source Emission Inventory webpage

by clicking the Emission Inventory Instructions button. The emission inventory instructions and report form may also be obtained by contacting the Department.

To ensure that the Department's electronic system reports complete information to the National Emissions Inventory, Title V stationary sources are required to submit with each report emissions data described in 40 CFR 51.15 and the data elements in Tables 2a and 2b to Appendix A of 40 CFR 51 Subpart A, as applicable. Title V stationary sources with potential annual emissions greater than or equal to any of the emission thresholds for Type A (large) sources, as listed in Table 1 to Appendix A of 40 CFR 51 Subpart A, are required to report emission inventory data every year for the previous calendar year (also known as the inventory year). For triennial inventory years, Type A sources only need to submit one report, not both an annual report and a separate triennial report.

Title V stationary sources with potential annual emissions greater than or equal to any of the emission thresholds for Type B (small) sources, as listed in Table 1 to Appendix A of 40 CFR 51 Subpart A, are required to report emission inventory data every third year (i.e., triennially) for the previous inventory year. The emission thresholds for nonattainment areas vary depending on the nonattainment status of the area. As of June 9, 2017, Fairbanks and North Pole urban area have been designated by the federal administrator as "serious nonattainment" for PM2.5.

As of the issue date of this permit, the stationary source is a Type B stationary source.

Condition 58, NSPS and NESHAP Reports and Waivers

Legal Basis: The Permittee is required to provide the Federal Administrator and Department a copy of each emissions unit report for units subject to NSPS or NESHAP federal regulations under 18 AAC 50.326(j)(4). 40 CFR 70 Appendix A documents that EPA fully approved the Alaska operating permit program effective November 30, 2001.

Factual Basis: The condition supplements the specific reporting requirements in 40 CFR 60, 40 CFR 61, and 40 CFR 63.

Condition 59, Permit Applications and Submittals

Legal Basis: 40 CFR 71.10(d)(1), adopted by the Department under 18 AAC 50.040(j)(7), requires submission of a copy of each permit application to EPA.

Factual Basis: The Department used the language in SPC XIV for the permit condition. The condition directs the applicant to send copies of all application materials required to be submitted to the Department directly to the EPA, in electronic format, if practicable. This condition shifts the burden of compliance with 40 CFR 71.10(d)(1) from the Department to the Permittee as allowed under 40 CFR 71.10(d)(1).

Conditions 60 through 62, Permit Changes and Revisions Requirements

Legal Basis: 40 CFR 71.6(a)(8), (12), and (13) incorporated by reference under 18 AAC 50.040(j) require that these provisions be included in operating permits.

Factual Basis: 40 CFR 71.6(a)(12) and (13) specify changes that may be made without a permit revision, and 40 CFR 71.6(a)(8) states permit revisions are not required for some emissions trading and similar programs.

The Permittee did not request trading of emission increases and decreases as described in 40 CFR 71.6(a)(13)(iii).

Condition 63, Permit Renewal

Legal Basis: The Permittee must submit a timely and complete operating permit renewal application if the Permittee intends to continue source operations in accordance with the operating permit program. The obligations for a timely and complete operating permit application are in 40 CFR 71.5(a) through (c), adopted by reference in 18 AAC 50.040(j)(3), and 18 AAC 50.326(c).

Factual Basis: In accordance with AS 46.14.230(a), this operating permit is issued for a fixed term of five years after the date of issuance, unless a shorter term is requested by the permit applicant. The Permittee is required to submit an application for permit renewal by the specific dates applicable to the stationary source as listed in this condition. As stated in 40 CFR 71.5(a)(1)(iii), submission for a permit renewal application is considered timely if it is submitted at least six months but no more than eighteen months prior to expiration of the operating permit. According to 40 CFR 71.5(a)(2), a complete renewal application is one that provides all information required pursuant to 40 CFR 71.5(c) and remits payment of fees owed under the fee schedule established pursuant to 18 AAC 50.400. 40 CFR 71.7(b) states that if a source submits a timely and complete application for permit issuance (including renewal), the source's failure to have a permit is not a violation until the permitting authority takes final action on the permit application.

Therefore, as long as an application has been submitted within the timeframe specified under 40 CFR 71.5(a)(1)(iii), and is complete before the expiration date of the existing permit, then the expiration of the existing permit is extended and the Permittee has the right to operate under that permit until the effective date of the new permit. However, this protection shall cease to apply if, subsequent to the completeness determination, the applicant fails to submit by the deadline specified in writing by the Department any additional information needed to process the application.

Conditions 64 through 69, General Compliance Requirements and Schedule

Legal Basis: These conditions require compliance with the applicable requirements in 18 AAC 50.345(b) through (d) and (h) and 40 CFR 71.6(c)(3). As stated in 18 AAC 50.345(a), the requirements in 18 AAC 50.345(b) through (d) and (h) are standard conditions that must be included in all operating permits issued by the Department.

Factual Basis: These are standard conditions for compliance required for all operating permits.