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Adoption of ITRC Incremental Sampling Methodology ADEC Technical Advisory

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Purpose: To inform the regulated community that ADEC is adopting the Interstate Technology and Regulatory Council (ITRC) Incremental Sampling Methodology document dated February 2012.

Background: In order to provide guidance on multi-incremental (MI) sampling in Alaska, ADEC released a draft MI sampling guidance document in 2009. This document was intended to be revised and updated when the science underpinning MI sampling was established, put into practice and became more widespread and understood. ADEC has recently evaluated ITRC's Incremental Sampling Methodology guidance document and concluded that it was superior to ADEC's 2009 draft MI guidance.

Recommendation: For any projects where MI sampling is proposed, ADEC recommends that the sampling approach be conducted in accordance with ITRC Incremental Sampling Methodology dated February 2012. The 2009 ADEC draft MI Guidance is rescinded. Please note ADEC recommends work plans that propose MI sampling to provide detailed sampling and analysis procedures and not solely reference the ITRC Incremental Sampling Methodology Guidance.