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Section A. Project Management

1.0 Quality Assurance Project Plan Identification and Approval

Title: Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality, Air Quality Division (WDEQ-AQD) Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) for the Ozone Ambient Air Monitoring Program.

This QAPP for the Ozone Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Program is hereby recommended for approval and commitment from the Department to follow the elements described within.

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Acronyms

AGL	Above Ground Level
AMTIC	Ambient Monitoring Technology Information Center
APE	Annual Performance Evaluations
APMP	Air Pollution Monitoring Program
APTI	Air Pollution Training Institute
AQD	Wyoming Air Quality Division
AQS	Air Quality System
ASQ	American Society for Quality
AWMA	Air & Waste Management Association
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
DAS	Data Acquisition System
DQIs	Data Quality Indicators
DQOs	Data Quality Objectives
E-log	Electronic Logbook
EPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
FEM	Federal Equivalent Method
HVAC	Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning
IMPACT	Inventory, Monitoring, Permitting, And Compliance Tracking system
IMS	Industrial Monitoring Stations
MFC	Mass Flow Calibrator
MQOs	Measurement Quality Objectives
NAAQS	National Ambient Air Quality Standards
NPAP	National Performance Audit Program
NIST	National Institute of Standards and Technology
NCore	National Core Air Measurement Network
O_3	Ozone
OAQPS	Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards
ORD	Office of Research and Development
PEs	Performance Evaluations
PEP	Performance Evaluation Program
PFA	Perfluoroalkoxy alkane
PQAO	Primary Quality Assurance Organization
PTFE	Polytetrafluoroethylene
QA	Quality Assurance
QAPP	Quality Assurance Project Plan
QC	Quality Control
QMP	Quality Management Plan
SLAMS	State and Local Air Monitoring Stations
SLT	State/Local/Tribal
SOP	Standard Operating Procedure
SPMS	Special Purpose Monitoring Stations
SRP	Standard Reference Photometer
TAD	Technical Assistance Document
TTP	Through-the-Probe
UV	Ultraviolet

WAAQS	Wyoming Ambient Air Quality Standards
WDEQ	Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality

3.0 Distribution List

The following individuals listed in Table 1 have been provided a copy of this Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP).

Table 1. QAPP Distribution List

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4.0 Project/Task Organization

Since the early 1970s, the Air Pollution Monitoring Program (APMP) has been committed to monitoring the air quality of Wyoming to protect, conserve, and enhancing the quality of Wyoming's environment for the benefit of current and future generations. The APMP provides the WDEQ-AQD with valuable information that allows for determination of future policy considerations.

The WDEQ-AQD plans, operates, and maintains a number of different types of ambient monitoring stations, including National Core (NCore), State and Local Air Monitoring Stations (SLAMS), Special Purpose Monitoring Stations (SPMS), Interagency Monitoring of Protected Visual Environment (IMPROVE) monitoring stations, and Industrial Monitoring Stations (IMS).

The SLAMS are sited in populated areas to monitor public health and demonstrate compliance with the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) but may serve other purposes, such as:

- Providing air pollution data to the general public in a timely manner
- Supporting compliance with air quality standards and emissions strategy development
- Supporting air pollution research studies

The SPMs have multiple collective objectives. These objectives include:

- Providing air pollution data to the general public in a timely manner
- Monitoring public health
- Investigating pollutant concentrations downwind of sources
- Determining background pollutant concentrations

Since 2011, the WDEQ-AQD has operated a fleet of mobile monitoring stations ("mobile stations") to investigate questions or concerns about air quality on a short-term basis (typically one year). Additionally, the WDEQ-AQD administers an NCore station as part of the national network to evaluate long-term trends in air quality. The IMS are independently operated stations that meet the requirements of their permits. Although WDEQ-AQD has oversight authority for the permit-required monitoring networks, the IMS operate as independent Primary Quality Assurance Organizations (PQAOs).

The WDEQ-AQD is committed to the quality and the implementation of the procedures and practices found in this QAPP. Quality assurance (QA) is an integrated system of management activities involving planning, implementation, assessment, reporting, and quality improvement to ensure that a process, item, or service is of the type and quality needed and as expected. Quality control (QC) is the overall system of technical activities that measures the attributes and performance of a process, item, or service against defined standards to verify that they meet the stated requirements established by the customer. The QC system includes the operational techniques and activities that are used to fulfill requirements for quality.

Quality control is largely implemented through the QAPP and the standard operating procedures (SOPs). Each instrument in the various monitoring programs has unique requirements, statutory standards, and support equipment that must be in place in order for the instrumentation to be operated according to the guidelines, rules, and policies that must be followed. This QAPP incorporates the unique qualities that are specific to ozone within the WDEQ-AQD monitoring network.

Implementation of the WDEQ-AQD monitoring program requires an investment by the entire management team all the way to the Air Pollution Monitoring Program Manager. WDEQ-AQD management recognizes and accepts this responsibility to identify the QA requirements that will meet the needs and expectations of the monitoring program. Any worthwhile monitoring program focuses on preventing quality problems.

Since the WDEQ has an overarching Quality Management Plan (QMP) in place, this and all QAPPs will be mandated by the WDEQ QMP. The QMP describes the quality system in terms of the organizational structure, functional responsibilities of management and staff, lines of authority, and required interfaces for those planning, implementing, assessing, and reporting activities involving environmental data operations.

The following subsections describe the project participants and the roles and responsibilities of each participant. **Figure 1**, which is in the last portion of this section, illustrates that management structure.

4.1 Air Pollution Monitoring Program Manager

The APMP Manager has overall responsibility for managing the AQD according to WDEQ-AQD policy. The direct responsibility for assuring data quality rests with line management. Ultimately, the APMP Manager is responsible for establishing QA policy and for resolving QA issues identified through the QA program.

Major QA related responsibilities of the APMP Manager include:

- Participating in the budget and planning processes.
- Assuring that the WDEQ-AQD develops and maintains a current and germane quality system.
- Assuring that the WDEQ-AQD develops and maintains current QAPPs.
- Assuring adherence to the QA documents by staff and, where appropriate, other extramural cooperators establishing policies to ensure that QA requirements are incorporated in all environmental data operations.
- Maintaining an active line of communication with the Monitoring Supervisor, QA Coordinator, and Project Managers conducting management systems reviews.

The WDEQ-AQD APMP Manager delegates the responsibility of QA development and implementation in accordance with WDEQ-AQD policies. Oversight of the WDEQ-AQD's QA program is delegated to the Quality Assurance Coordinator.

4.2 Air Pollution Monitoring Program Supervisor

The APMP Supervisor is the delegated manager of the routine monitoring programs, which includes the QA/QC activities that are implemented as part of normal data collection activities.

Responsibilities of the Monitoring Supervisor include:

- Communicating with EPA Project Officers and QA Personnel regarding sampling and quality assurance activities.
- Understanding EPA monitoring and QA regulations and guidance to ensure subordinates understand and follow the regulations and guidance.
- Understanding the WDEQ-AQD's QA policy and ensuring subordinates do as well.
- Understanding and ensuring adherence to the QAPP.
- Reviewing acquisition packages (contracts, grants, cooperative agreements, and interagency agreements) to determine the necessary QA requirements.
- Developing budgets and providing program costs necessary for EPA allocation activities.
- Ensuring that all personnel involved in environmental data collection have access to any training or QA information needed to be knowledgeable in QA requirements, protocols, and technology.
- Certifying to EPA that data are true, correct, and reported to EPA per Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 58.15[1].

4.3 Quality Assurance Coordinator

The QA Coordinator is the delegated manager of the WDEQ-AQD's QA Program. The QA Coordinator has direct access to the Administrator, APMP Manager, and APMP Supervisor on all matters pertaining to QA. The QA Coordinator's main responsibility is QA oversight and ensuring that all personnel understands the WDEQ-AQD's QA policy and all pertinent EPA QA policies and regulations specific to the APMP. The QA Coordinator provides technical support and reviews and approves QA products. Responsibilities include:

- Developing and interpreting WDEQ-AQD QA policy and revising it as necessary.
- Developing a QA Annual Report for the Administrator.
- Assisting Monitoring Specialists and Project Managers in developing QA documentation and in providing answers to technical questions.
- Ensuring that all personnel involved in environmental data operations have access to any training or QA information needed to be knowledgeable in QA requirements, protocols, and technology.
- Ensuring that environmental data operations are covered by appropriate QA planning documentation (e.g., QAPPs, data quality objectives, etc.).
- Ensuring that reviews, assessments, performance evaluations, and audits are scheduled and completed and, if needed, conducting or participating in QA activities.
- Tracking the QA/QC status of all programs.
- Recommending required management-level corrective actions.
- Serving as the program's QA liaison with EPA Regional QA Managers or QA Officers and the Regional Project Officer.
- Uploads Quality Assurance data to EPA's AQS System.

The QA Coordinator has the authority to carry out these responsibilities and to bring to the attention of the APMP Manager any issues associated with these responsibilities. The QA Coordinator either performs or delegates the responsibility of QA development and implementation.

4.4 Project Managers

Project Managers are responsible for project coordination; oversight of contractor activities; maintaining the official, approved QAPP; and QAPP distribution. Responsibilities include:

- Ensuring the day-to-day operation and upkeep of all monitors are maintained.
- Overseeing data processing, reporting, and assuring data collection is performed in a timely fashion.
- Understanding EPA monitoring, QA regulations, and guidance, and ensuring contractors, Monitoring Specialists, and Site Operators understand and follow those standards.
- Understanding WDEQ-AQD QA policy and ensuring subordinates understand and follow the policy.
- Understanding and ensuring adherence to the QAPP as it relates to program support activities.
- Participating in the development of data quality requirements with the appropriate QA staff.
- Writing and modifying QAPPs and SOPs.
- Verifying that all required QA activities were performed and quality standards were met as required in the QAPP.

4.5 Monitoring Specialists

The field personnel, either WDEQ-AQD or contractor, are responsible for carrying out required tasks and ensuring the data quality results of the tasks by adhering to the guidelines and protocols specified by the QAPP and SOPs for the field activities. Responsibilities include:

- Change PM filters (gravimetric and speciation) on the filter-based instruments (weekly or as needed).
- Participating in the implementation of standards, as laid out in the QAPP.
- Keeping up-to-date in training and certification activities.
- Verifying that all required QA activities are performed and quality standards are met (as required by the QAPP).
- Following manufacturer specifications for any equipment used.
- Documenting deviations from established procedures and methods.
- Thoroughly document and keep all routine maintenance activities performed at the stations all problems and report corrective actions to the Site Operator and Project Manager.
- Preparing and delivering reports to the Project Manager.
- Reviewing data and assessing and reporting on data quality.

4.6 Site Operator

For the Particulate Matter network, the Site Operators visit the monitoring station once a month. The

Site Operators role is to do routine maintenance on the monitoring station and instrumentation. Responsibilities include:

- Change PM filters (gravimetric and speciation) on the filter-based instruments (weekly or as needed).
- Perform unexpected tasks such as running manual calibration (if necessary after a repair).
- Replace electronic or pneumatic components at the direction of a Monitoring Specialist.
- Reporting all problems and corrective actions to the Contractor, Monitoring Specialist, or Project Manager.
- Thoroughly documents all activities performed at a station and reports activities and results to the Project Manager.
- Reviewing data and assessing and reporting on data quality.

4.7 Data Manager

The Data Manager reports to the Air Monitoring Manager and is in charge of the WyVisNet website and the AirVision data management system, which runs WyVisNet. Responsibilities include:

- The Data Manager is in charge of uploading data to the EPA's Air Quality System (AQS), which is the National database for all air pollution and meteorological data.
- Ensures data are moved to/from the IMPACT system, AirVision, and shared drives per our WDEQ Records Management Plan.
- Performs data queries within the central database in Cheyenne headquarters.
- Works with the vendors that supply and maintain the WyVisNet software system.
- Performs data analyses as described in Sections 22 and 23 of this QAPP.

Please note that an annual review of the QAPP will be performed and, if no changes are needed, the WDEQ-AQD will document that no changes were necessary. If changes are required, revised pages with the revisions will be inserted/changed, revisions will be tracked, and a new revision number will be assigned to the document.

4.8 Data Validator

For AQD operated PM stations, the Data Validator is responsible for data validation and reporting. The validator may hold other duties in the Monitoring Program, but may not be the Specialist or Project Manager of the PM station that produces the data they are validating.

- The Data Validator performs daily validation (on business days) of AQD operated stations in AirVision software.
- The Data Validator communicates with the Project Manager and Monitoring Specialist if the data shows an operational issue at a monitor.
- The Data Validator programs AirVision to produce monthly and quarterly reports for review by the project manager.

Figure 1 illustrates the organizational structure for the WDEQ-AQD. For a list of project participants, please see Appendix B.

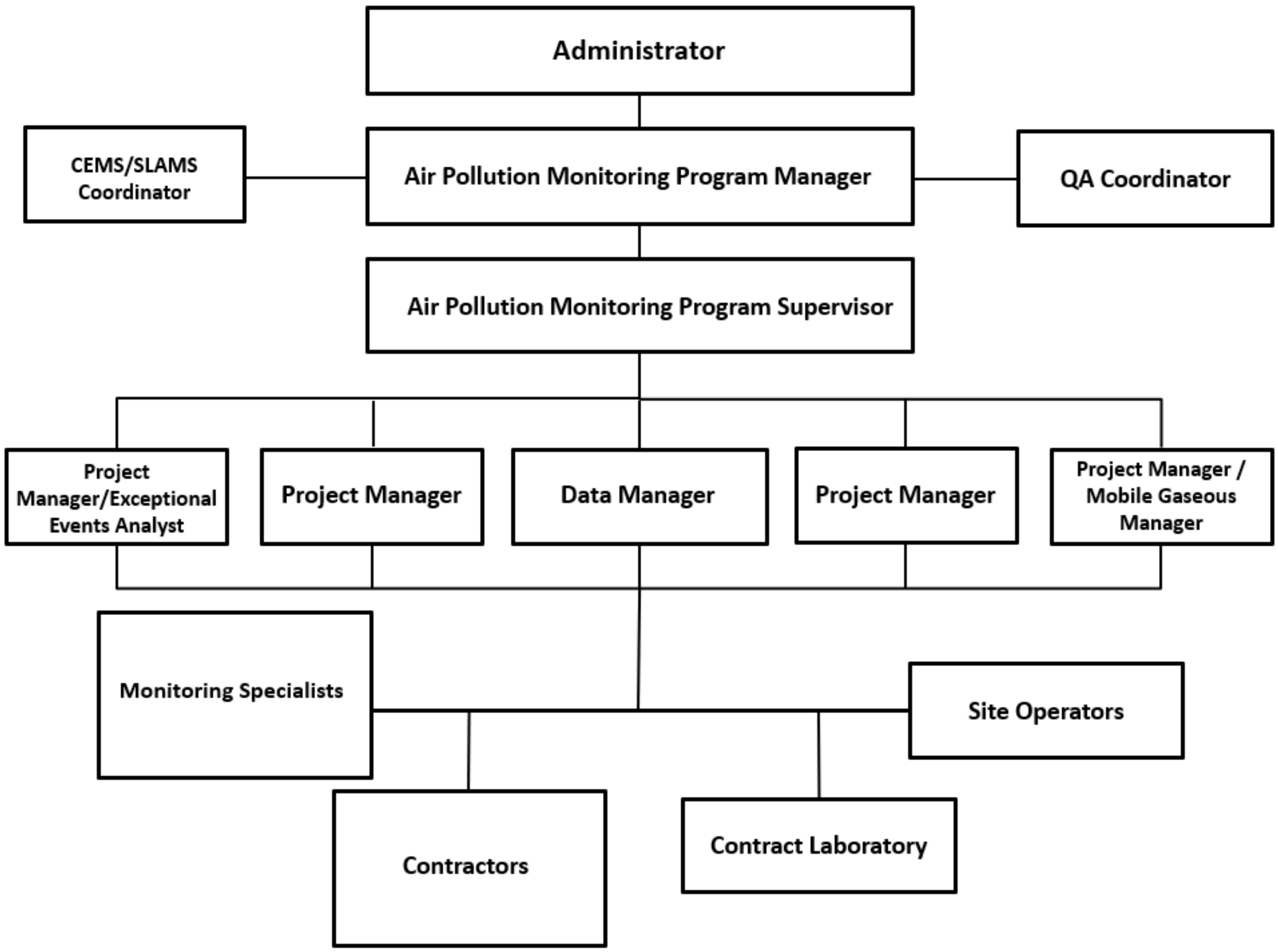

Figure 1. WDEQ-AQD Organizational Chart

5.0 Problem Definition/Background

This QAPP pertains strictly to the collection and analysis of ozone within the WDEQ-AQD monitoring network and details the methodologies to establish precise and accurate ozone measurements at all the stations within the WDEQ-AQD monitoring network, regardless of the type of monitoring that is performed.

The objective of the ozone monitoring network is to provide the necessary information for developing a representative air quality data set capable of delineating differences among geographical and climatological regions. The monitored data are used to characterize and monitor trends in air quality and ensure compliance to air quality standards and may be used for national health assessments, model evaluations, and comparison with other ambient air monitoring data. The procedures outlined in this QAPP have been developed to meet the goals and objectives of the monitoring project. Revisions to the QAPP are made, as necessary, to reflect changes to the regulations or goals of the monitoring project. At a minimum, the QAPP is reviewed and revisions are made as necessary on an annual basis.

As of December 31, 2020, The WDEQ-AQD monitored for ozone (O_3) at 16 stations in Wyoming. Hourly ozone readings from a monitor are used to compute the daily maximum 8-hr ozone average at the station. These daily maximum 8-hr ozone averages are ranked throughout the calendar year. The fourth highest annual value in a calendar year is then averaged with the fourth-highest annual values from two more years to compute a three-year average, referred to as the design value. The design value must not exceed 0.070 ppm. On December 28, 2015, the EPA promulgated the new ozone NAAQS in 40 CFR Part 50.19(a)[2]. In addition to the new NAAQS, the EPA updated the calculation methodology to compute the design value. The exact methodology can be found in 40 CFR Part 50, Appendix U[3].

On July 20, 2012, the EPA designated all of Sublette County and parts of Lincoln and Sweetwater Counties as a marginal nonattainment area for ozone using the 2008 Ozone NAAQS of 0.075 ppm. The remaining portion of Wyoming is designated Attainment/Unclassifiable for the 2008 Ozone NAAQS.

After the 2015 Ozone NAAQS was made effective, Wyoming Governor, Matt Mead, recommended to the EPA that Wyoming's 23 counties be designated as Attainment for this standard. The Federal Register (82 FR 54232)[4] designated 21 of Wyoming's counties as Attainment/Unclassifiable according to the 2015 Ozone NAAQS. This rule was made effective on January 16, 2018. The remaining counties—Albany County and Laramie County—were designated Attainment/Unclassifiable on August 3, 2018 (83 FR 25776)[5].

Figure 2 illustrates the WDEQ-AQD ozone monitoring stations, past and present. As shown in the map, the WDEQ-AQD monitoring network covers the entire state.

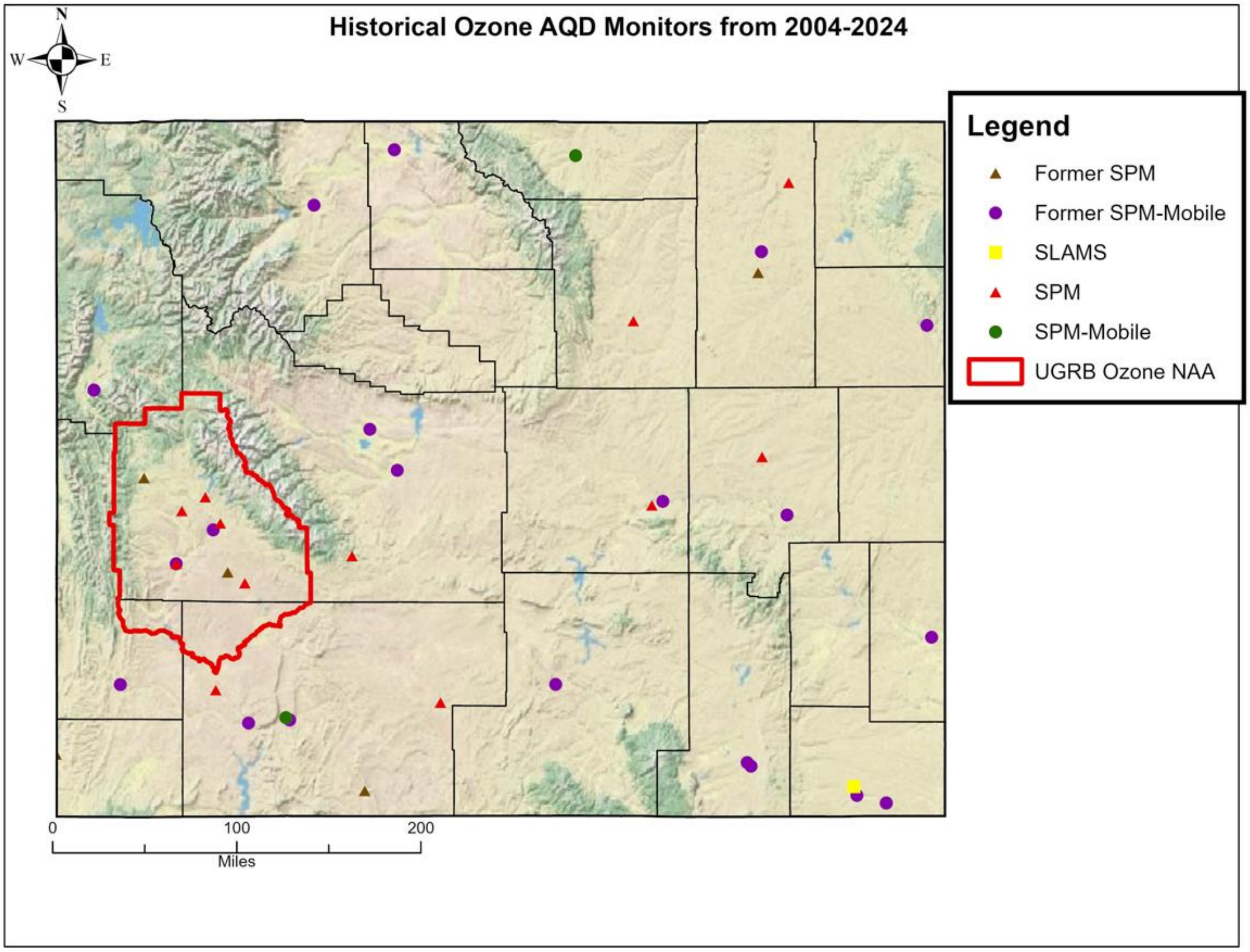

Figure 2. WDEQ-AQD Ozone Monitoring Site Locations, 2004-2024

5.1 Supporting Documentation

The information collected for this monitoring program will meet requirements as found in the following documents:

- EPA's Technical Assistance Document (TAD) for Calibration of Air Monitoring Analyzers for Ozone, October 2013[7]
- EPA's Technical Assistance Document (TAD) for Calibration of Air Monitoring Analyzers for Ozone, July 2020[8]
- Quality Assurance Handbook for Air Pollution Measurement Systems, Volume II: Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Program, EPA-454/B-17-001, January 2017[9]
- 40 CFR Part 58, Appendices A-E [10]
- 40 CFR Part 50, Appendix D[11]

The guidance presented in the above-listed documents will be followed for this monitoring program and are intended to ensure that the data collected and technical information are documented and of appropriate quality and usability.

6.0 Project Task Description

6.1 Ozone Measurements

The analytical principle is based on the absorption of ultraviolet (UV) light by the ozone molecule and subsequent use of photometry to the measure reduction of the quanta of light reaching the detector at 254 nm. The degree of reduction depends on the path length of the UV sample cell, the ozone concentration introduced into the sample cell, and the wavelength of the UV light, as expressed by the Beer-Lambert law. An air sample is drawn into an optical absorption cell where it is irradiated by a low-pressure, cold cathode mercury vapor lamp fitted with a sheath to filter out radiation with a wavelength of less than 254 nm. A photodetector, located at the opposite end of the sample cell, measures the reduction in UV intensity at 254 nm caused by the presence of ozone in the sample cell.

6.2 Sampling Frequency

Data from the ozone analyzers are sampled every second by the Data Acquisition System (DAS). The DAS then stores the data in 1-minute and hourly increments (at a minimum). This data is then transmitted and reviewed by WDEQ-AQD Contractors on a defined interval at their central location.

6.3 Project Schedule

Personnel working on this project are fully qualified, trained, and capable of performing their assigned duties. Work schedules include: daily data review, quarterly and semi-annual air quality equipment calibrations, quarterly data summaries within 60 days of quarter completion, annual reports within 90 days of year completion, and maintenance and corrective action.

6.4 Project Reports

Table 2 presents the reports that will be produced as part of this project.

Table 2. Project Reports

Reports	Frequency	Content	Responsible Position
Quarterly Air Quality Reports	Quarterly	Summarizes data following EPA guidelines, includes accuracy and precision	Contractors with review by Project Managers or AQD Data Validator with review by Project Manager.
Air Quality Annual Data Report	Annually	Summarizes data following EPA guidelines	Contractors with review by Project Managers
Performance Audit Reports	Semi-annually	Summarizes audit results following EPA guidelines	WDEQ-AQD QA Coordinator with review by Project Manager
Corrective Action Reports	As Needed	Summarizes corrective actions taken to return the monitoring station to compliant status	Contractors with review by Project Managers or Monitoring Specialists with review by Project Managers
Response to Corrective Action Reports	As Needed	Reports the results of the corrective actions taken	Contractors with review by Project Managers or Monitoring Specialists with review by Project Managers

7.0 Quality Objectives and Criteria for Measurement of Data

This section discusses the Data Quality Objectives (DQOs), Measurement Quality Objectives (MQOs), and Data Quality Indicators (DQIs) that are mandatory for all monitoring programs.

Generally, the DQOs for any program are created by the stakeholders. The DQO process is a seven-step decision tree that allows the stakeholders of the WDEQ-AQD to define parameters for the program. The DQO process has been in existence for many years, first by the EPA and then utilized by the State, Local and Tribal governments that are required to collect data on behalf of the EPA. Please note that it is outside the scope of this document to discuss whether or not the State of Wyoming, or parts of the state, are in attainment. Please refer to the WDEQ-AQD 2024 Network Plan[6] for the discussion of attainment for Ozone.

As mentioned, the DQO is a seven-step process that takes the form of a discussion of the important aspects of the program. It is encouraged and useful that the DQO process is performed from time to time to ensure that the objectives are clear and concise.

7.1 The DQO Process

On August 12, 2020, the WDEQ-AQD and its Contractor met to discuss the DQOs for the programs and define the objectives. Table 3 below outlines the discussion and the outputs of the DQO process in each step.

In order for the DQOs to be fulfilled, MQOs are designed to evaluate and control various phases (sampling, preparation, and analysis) of the measurement process to ensure that total measurement uncertainty is within the range prescribed by the DQOs. MQOs can be defined in terms of the following DQIs: precision, bias, representativeness; detectability; completeness; and comparability.

Table 3. DQO Seven-Step Decision Tree Process

DQO Step	Output to Discussion by Decision Makers
Step 1. State the Problem	The State of Wyoming, being within the bounds of the United States, must adhere to the Clean Air Act Amendments. The Code of Federal Regulations 40 part 50 set the NAAQS and the State of Wyoming measures for the NAAQS pollutants. In addition, the State of Wyoming promulgated their own Wyoming Ambient Air Quality Standards (WAAQS), which are nearly identical to the NAAQS. The State of Wyoming must comply with these standards and thus measure in various locations to meet the requirements.
Step 2. Identify the Goal of the Study	Not only does the State of Wyoming have to measure for these NAAQS pollutants, but they must also adhere to the level of the standard (attainment vs. nonattainment as promulgated in 40 CFR Part 50).

DQO Step	Output to Discussion by Decision Makers
Step 3. Identify Information Input	The input information is the hourly ozone data that are collected at the locations where ozone is monitored (see Appendix B).
Step 4. Define the Boundaries of the Study	The boundary of the study is the entire State of Wyoming. This study only applies to the WDEQ-AQD Primary Quality Assurance Organization (PQAO).
Step 5. Develop the Analytical Approach	The WDEQ-AQD will collect ozone data at all of the monitoring locations stated in Appendix B. At the end of the year, the WDEQ-AQD will review, analyze, and certify that the data collected within the WDEQ-AQD network are valid within the parameters laid out in this QAPP.
Step 6. Specify Performance Criteria	The performance criteria are described in this QAPP under the MQOs and thus the DQIs. If the data collected adhere to these performance criteria, then the data can be used to ascertain if the State of Wyoming is within nonattainment or attainment status. The results of the decisions on attainment are discussed in detail within the Annual Network Plan and Network Assessment.
Step 7. Develop the Plan for Obtaining Data	Having developed these DQOs, the WDEQ-AQD has developed this ozone QAPP and SOP for ozone analyzers to ensure that the QA and QC procedures are documented and followed by WDEQ-AQD staff and their Contractors.

7.2 Data Quality Indicators

The data quality indicators (DQIs) are a set of indicators that can be easily measured. For instance, precision and bias can be calculated using statistical methods on the data. The other DQIs are either inherent in the ozone analyzer, i.e. detection limit, or indicate how the samples are handled and analyzed.

Here is a discussion of each DQI:

- **Precision** - a measure of agreement among repeated measurements of the same property under identical, or substantially similar, conditions. This is the random component of error. Precision is estimated by various statistical techniques typically using some derivation of the standard deviation. Precision is determined based on the three-day zero, span, and precision checks.
- **Bias** - the systematic or persistent distortion of a measurement process, which causes error in one direction. Bias will be determined by estimating the positive and negative deviation from the true value. Bias is determined by using the paired data from the 1-in-3 day QC checks.
- **Detection Limit** - the lowest concentration or amount of the target analytic that can be determined to be different from zero by a single measurement at a stated level of probability. For the high-sensitivity instruments, this is an important DQI. The EPA specifies how and how

often this test is performed, which is recommended annually. The specific procedures are detailed in the SOP for ozone analyzers, which is a companion document to this QAPP.

- **Completeness** - the amount of valid data obtained from a measurement system compared to the amount that was expected to be obtained under normal conditions. Data completeness requirements are included in the reference methods or NAAQS (40 CFR Part 50).
- **Comparability** - generally falls under the auspice of equipment specifications and monitoring methods. For ozone, only Federal Equivalent Method (FEM) instruments are used for data collection. The methodology used is to draw the air samples into the instrument using federally approved glassware and/or Teflon tubing.
- **Representativeness** - this DQI deals with whether or not the location of the ozone analyzer represents the type of monitoring that is necessary, i.e., if the station is sited appropriately for the objective.
- **Accuracy** - a measure of the overall agreement of a measurement to a known value, including a combination of random error (precision) and systematic error (bias) components of sampling. This is accomplished using the annual performance evaluations (APEs). In addition, the EPA or its designee will also perform through-the-probe (TTP) audits (as part of the National Performance Audit Program (NPAP)). These QA procedures are discussed in more detail in Section 20 of this QAPP.

The goal for acceptable measurement uncertainty (precision) for ozone is an upper 90 percent confidence limit for the coefficient variation (CV) of <7.1 percent (%). The bias for ozone is expressed as an upper 95 percent confidence limit for the absolute bias of <7.1%.

7.3 Representativeness of the Ozone Measurements

Site selection and probe placement follow guidelines from the following EPA documents to ensure that measurements are representative of meteorological and air quality monitoring conditions near the monitoring station:

- EPA's Quality Assurance Handbook for Air Pollution Measurement Systems, Volume I: Principles[12]
- EPA's Quality Assurance Handbook for Air Pollution Measurement Systems, Volume II: Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Program, EPA-454/B-17-001, January 2017[9]
- 40 CFR Part 58, Appendices A, C, and E [10]

The monitoring sites that were selected to house the ozone analyzers were selected to be as representative as possible to the general region of interest. The placement of a shelter considers local interferences, distance to structures, trees, and roadways, and height of probe above ground. The network was set up in accordance with EPA-defined ambient air quality siting criteria.

8.0 Special Training/Certifications

Personnel assigned to the ambient air monitoring programs will meet the educational, work experience, responsibility, and training requirements for their positions. Records on personnel qualifications and training will be maintained in personnel files and will be accessible for review during audit activities. All WDEQ-AQD staff will follow the WDEQ-AQD Monitoring Section's training plan and provide proper documentation and tracking.

Adequate education and training are integral to any monitoring program that strives for reliable and comparable data. It is recommended that WDEQ-AQD maintains some requirements for personnel qualifications (combination of education and experience). Training is aimed at increasing the effectiveness of employees and their organization.

As part of a quality assurance program, the procedures should include information on:

- Personnel qualifications (general and position-specific)
- Training requirements (based on position)
- Frequency of training

Appropriate training should be available to employees supporting the Air Pollution Monitoring Program and commensurate with their duties. Such training may consist of classroom lectures, workshops, web-based courses, teleconferences, and vendor-provided and on-the-job training. Training should also include appropriate reading materials, such as the CFR, EPA guidance documents, and the WDEQ-AQD QAPPs and SOPs, to name a few.

EPA encourages monitoring organizations to maintain documentation that details the training provided to all monitoring staff, along with documentation that illustrates the successful completion of those training requirements. Along with suggested training, some EPA programs require mandatory training and/or certifications. These programs include, but are not limited to, the National Performance Audit Program (NPAP) and the Performance Evaluation Program (PEP). All personnel performing audits in these projects or programs are required to possess mandatory training or a current certification issued by the EPA office responsible for the monitoring program. Over the years, several courses have been developed for personnel involved with ambient air monitoring and quality assurance aspects.

Formal QA/QC training is offered through the following organizations:

- Air Knowledge (https://airknowledge.gov/)
- Air & Waste Management Association (AWMA) https://www.awma.org/
- American Society for Quality (ASQ) https://asq.org/
- EPA Quality Staff (QS) https://www.epa.gov/quality/
- EPA Regional Offices https://www.epa.gov/aboutepa/regional-and-geographic-offices
- EPA Ambient Monitoring Technology Information Center (AMTIC) https://www.epa.gov/amtic

WDEQ-AQD should consider adding manufacturer-provided training to the equipment purchase cost. Persons with experience in the subject matter described in the courses would select courses according to their appropriate experience level. Courses not included in the core sequence would be selected according to individual responsibilities, preferences, and available resources.

9.0 Documents and Records

The WDEQ-AQD is committed to fully documenting all activities related to data collection, analysis, validation, and reporting. **Error! Reference source not found.** contains a list of the records maintained b y the air monitoring program. These records can be electronic, bound in notebooks, and/or forms that are used for specific applications. Electronic records will be stored on main office storage drives and archived by the Contractors and ultimately, the WDEQ-AQD office servers. All project files are backed up daily. In addition, weekly network backup occurs. The weekly backup network files are stored onto external hard drives which are stored off-site. The WDEQ-AQD has several of these backup hard drives and copies of the field logbook are archived in the WDEQ-AQD Cheyenne office for 5 years.

Table 4. Documentation and Reports

Documentation Type	Frequency	Report Submission	Archive	Retention Period
Monitoring Data	Daily Downloads	Contractors	WDEQ-AQD and Contractor's Server (with backup)	5 years
QAPP and SOPs	Annually or more frequently, as needed	QA Coordinator	WDEQ-AQD	5 years
Copies of Field Logbooks	After each site visit	Site Operators and Contractors	WDEQ-AQD and Contractors	5 years
Quarterly Reports	Quarterly	Contractors	WDEQ-AQD and Contractors	5 years
Annual Data Report	Annually	Contractors	WDEQ-AQD and Contractors	5 years
Performance Audit Summaries	Semi-Annually	QA Coordinator or Contractor	WDEQ-AQD	5 years

All monitoring data, reports and program documentation will be retained by WDEQ-AQD for a minimum of five (5) years. The WDEQ-AQD will review and approve changes to the QAPP given updates or changes to the Records Management Plan.

Section B. Data Generation and Acquisition

10.0 Network Description

This section describes the project design and implementation of the ozone monitoring network. For the list of current locations of the Ozone Monitoring Network, please see Appendix B, Instrument Locations.

11.0 Sampling Method

Ozone photometry is a spectrophotometric method that has been in use since the early 1970s. The reference method utilizes chemiluminescence with ethylene oxide. However, the reference method was replaced by the UV light spectrophotometric method. All instruments in the WDEQ-AQD network use UV photometry. This method is considered to be an EPA FEM.

Amongst all of the pollutant gases measured, ozone is unique in that it is the only gaseous pollutant that cannot be placed in a compressed cylinder because it will oxidize the interior lining of the cylinders and thus change the concentration within the cylinder. Therefore, there are no National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)-traceable standards for ozone.

In the late 1970s, the EPA Office of Research and Development (ORD), along with the Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards (OAQPS), designed a system by which ozone measurements could indeed be measured to a level of confidence. This system is known as the Standard Reference Photometer (SRP) system. These "standard reference primary standards" are placed at the laboratory in Research Triangle Park, North Carolina, and in or near EPA offices in each of the ten regions. They are intercompared annually. State, Local, and Tribal (SLT) PQAOs can set up intercomparisons with the SRPs and thereby transfer the certification of the SRPs to the SLTs. This system is described in detail in the Ozone Transfer Standard Guidance Document, October 2015[7] and was recently updated in July 2020[8]. It is not within the scope of this QAPP to describe these systems, so it is referenced here.

Ozone analyzers operated by the WDEQ-AQD are placed in monitoring shelters across the state. The samples are drawn into the instrument, as described in Volume II of EPA's Quality Assurance Handbook for Measurement Systems[9]. Ozone is measured by sampling ambient air from either a borosilicate glass manifold or sample lines that are made of polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) or Perfluoroalkoxy alkane (PFA) Teflon. For O_3 measurements, the sampling inlet is on the roof of the shelter, approximately 4 meters above ground level (AGL). The Teflon sampling line is protected by a pipe with a Teflon-coated cover protecting the inlet probe. A Teflon particulate filter also protects the sampling line.

Inside the shelter, the analyzer may be connected with a Teflon line to the coated "green hat" manifold or, at older stations, a borosilicate glass manifold. The ozone analyzer uses a Teflon line to connect to a port on the manifold. A pump is connected to the end of the manifold to keep the residence time as low as possible. The residence time of the analyzers is less than 7 seconds, which is within the 20-second residence time requirement. Ozone probe siting information and site configuration for the monitoring is in accordance with 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E[11]. On an annual basis, the flows of the instruments and manifold pumps are measured to ascertain whether or not the flow rates can keep the residence time to less than 20 seconds.

11.1 Ozone Analyzers

For a list of the current analyzers utilized throughout the WDEQ-AQD network, please see Appendix B, Types of Instruments.

11.2 Support Monitoring Equipment

This section summarizes the ozone instrumentation used at the WDEQ-AQD ozone network. The operating range of the sensors and monitors easily brackets the range of environmental conditions expected at the site. The supporting equipment used at the monitoring stations are discussed in the following sections. The SOP for ozone analyzers details the calibration and operation of the equipment.

11.3 Data Acquisition System

Instantaneous data from the ozone analyzers are transferred once per second to the DAS, usually by a serial cable. The DAS is a self-contained box with the ability to measure and control electronics and communicate with on-site computers or remote systems. Data are generally stored in a table format. Please note that the DAS stores 1-minute and hourly data (at a minimum). The one-second data is not stored. In addition, the DAS communicates with the multi-gas dilution calibrator and initiates automated zero, precision and span checks. The DAS records the response to the checks and then can compare that response to the expected value.

11.4 Telecommunications

Telecommunication services are used for high-speed remote communication to all on-site equipment, including the DAS. Additionally, each analyzer on-site is configured with a unique internet protocol (IP) address for remote maintenance and control purposes. The gateway has all of the firewall protection and routing protocols necessary for protection, isolation, and security.

11.5 Climate-Controlled Shelter

The shelter temperature is maintained by a heating, ventilating, air conditioning (HVAC) system. The temperature is controlled by a thermostat located within the shelter. The temperature is maintained at 20-30 °C at all times. The shelter houses the analyzers, calibration equipment, sample intake manifold, DAS, and cylinders.

11.6 Zero Air System

In order to determine the baseline of the analyzer and its detection limit, a zero air system is used. The zero air system is a fully self-contained source of high purity zero air for dilution calibrators. It is ideal for use with highly sensitive analyzers in ambient background and trace level applications. The zero air system includes a dew point sensor, an oil and diaphragm-free pump, and scrubbers to remove all pollutants measured.

The regenerative, heatless dryer removes water and produces output with a dew point less than -40°C (up to a flow rate of 30 standard liters per minute (SLPM)). The system's pressure, temperature, and dew point values are all continuously monitored, which allows a microcontroller to adjust the pump cycling frequency, valve timing, and heater power for optimal performance. The WDEQ-AQD Contractors will perform an annual zero air test. This is performed by substituting the zero air generator with a compressed gas zero air cylinder from a verified gas vendor. The gas cylinder is hooked up to the Mass Flow Controller unit and all analyzers are allowed to sample the zero air from the cylinder. The zero response of the ozone analyzer is then compared to the zero air response from the zero air generator.

11.7 Multi-Gas Dilution Calibrator

The multi-gas dilution calibrator is an integrated gas flow controlling device that contains mass flow controllers (MFC) that can flow and mix pressurized gases and zero air in very precise and accurate amounts to be shunted to the analyzers. For ozone, high pressure from its source is then shunted through a solenoid valve that allows a small portion of air to flow past a UV lamp that converts oxygen to ozone. This “ozonated” air is then remixed with the original air and flows through lines to the manifold and thus to the ozone analyzer. Verification and calibration of the ozone mixture from the dilution calibrator are measured by both the on-site ozone analyzer and an ozone transfer standard.

Figure 3 illustrates the configuration of the monitoring equipment and the placement of this equipment at a typical monitoring site.

Figure 3. Configuration of Monitoring Equipment in the Instrument Rack

11.8 Standard Operating Procedures

An SOP has been developed to provide instructions to the Site Operators regarding the routine operation of the ozone equipment. This SOP for ozone analyzers covers equipment inspection and acceptance testing, visual inspections, preventive maintenance, manual zero, span, precision checks, and calibrations. The SOP for ozone analyzers, located in Appendix A, is an independent document that is a companion to this QAPP.

The identification, cause, and corrective action for conditions adverse to quality will be documented on the Corrective Action Report form (example found in the SOP for ozone analyzers). Follow-up action will be taken by the Contractor and Project Manager to verify the corrective action was taken.

12.0 Sample Handling and Custody

Ozone ambient air samples are collected through Teflon tubing, which extends to the outside of the shelter. Teflon is considered acceptable by the EPA for use as intake sampling material for all reactive gaseous pollutants. The residence time is defined as the amount of time it takes for a sample of air to travel from the opening of the cane to the inlet of the analyzer and is required to be 20 seconds or less (recommended 10 seconds or less).

13.0 Analytical Method

The ozone analyzer is a microprocessor-controlled instrument that uses a system based on the Beer-Lambert law for measuring low ranges of ozone in ambient air. The ozone analyzer is a self-contained instrument that does not require any laboratory analyses. The WDEQ-AQD only utilizes FEMs, which have been rigorously challenged by the EPA in the Research Triangle Park, North Carolina, laboratory to operate within the parameters set by the EPA. For a list of the US EPA Federal Method Equivalency Designations utilized throughout the WDEQ-AQD network, please see Appendix B, Types of Instruments.

14.0 Quality Control Requirements

This section describes the routine quality control procedures used for the ozone monitoring program. All procedures have been specifically designed to provide the appropriate quality control and ensure that valid data recovery meets or exceeds the WDEQ-AQD data recovery objective of 90 percent per quarter for ozone monitoring.

The WDEQ-AQD monitoring program will follow the QC guidelines as stated in the following documents:

- 40 CFR 58, Appendix A – E[10]
- EPA's Quality Assurance Handbook for Air Pollution Measurement Systems, Volume II: Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Program, January 2017[9]
- EPA's Technical Assistance Document for Calibration of Air Monitoring Analyzers for Ozone, October 2013[7]
- EPA's Technical Assistance Document for Calibration of Air Monitoring Analyzers for Ozone, July 2020[8]

14.1 Instrument/Equipment Calibration and Frequency

Table 5 illustrate the QC procedures, calibration and audit requirements, and frequencies for ozone instruments.

Table 5. Ozone Analyzer QC Procedures

Procedure	Frequency	Requirement
Visual inspection of equipment	Each site visit; typically, once a month	As needed
Remote interrogation of the monitoring station and inspection of data	Daily	QC checks for data screening
Calibration	Quarterly	Meets MQO
Zero/span checks	Once every 3 days	Meets MQO
Precision checks	Once every 3 days	Meets MQO
Level II transfer standard verification	Annual verification/re-verification against the EPA Region 8 Level I	Level I-SRP traceable
Equipment maintenance	As needed or as the operating manual recommends	See SOP for ozone analyzers and instrument manuals
In-line filter change	Each site visit; once a quarter or as needed	N/A
Data validation	Daily and monthly	Electronic data screening time/parameter plot visual check
	Quarterly	Data processing calculation check Missing data: confirmed off-line periods, confirmed data validation checklist.

Table 6 on the following page contains some specific criteria for data validation and audits for the ozone analyzers. Some of the data validation criteria will be discussed in later chapters on data validation and review.

Table 6. Critical Criteria for Ozone Analyzers

Requirement	Frequency	Acceptance Criteria	Reference	Action
One-Point QC check	3 days	<±7.1 % (percent difference) or <±1.5 ppb difference whichever is greater	40 CFR Part 58 App. A[10], Section 3.1.1	Points outside of acceptance criteria are repeated and data is invalidated to last acceptable multi-point calibration or ZPS check, or to a point in time where the analyzer failure is identified.
		<± 4.1% (percent difference)	WDEQ-AQD action limit criteria	The contractor will evaluate the cause/issue, email the Project Manager and discuss a course of action
Zero/span check	3 days	Zero drift: ≤±3.1ppb (24 hr.) ≤± 5.1 ppb (>24hr - 14 day) Span drift: ≤±7.1%	EPA QA Handbook Vol. II[9], Section 12.3	Invalidate data to last acceptable zero/span check or to a point in time when the analyzer failure is identified. Adjust analyzer and perform multipoint calibration.
		Zero drift: ≤2.0 ppb Span drift: <± 4.1% (percent difference)	WDEQ-AQD action limit criteria	Contractor will evaluate the cause/issue, email the Project Manager and discuss a course of action
Monitor	NA	Meets requirements listed in FEM designation	40 CFR Part 53[13] & FRM/FEM method list	NA

Table 7. Operational Criteria for Ozone Analyzers

Requirement	Frequency	Acceptance Criteria	Reference	Action
Level II Transfer Standard Verification/Reverification to EPA Region 8 Level I/SRP	Annual	Single point difference <±3.1%; SD less than 0.005 ppm or 3.0%, whichever is greater; Regression slopes = 1.00 ±0.03 and intercepts are 0 ±3 ppb	Ozone TAD[7,8]	EPA Region 8 will determine the course of action.
Level III Transfer Standard Qualification	Upon Receipt	<4.1% or <±4 ppb, whichever is greater	Ozone TAD[7,8]	Consult manufacturer
Level III Transfer Standard Verification (3 X 3)	After qualification and upon receipt, maintenance, or adjustment	Single point difference <±3.1%; Regression slopes = 1.00 ±0.03 and SD of 3 slopes less than 0.0075; Intercepts are 0 ±3 ppb with and SD <±1.00 ppb	Ozone TAD[8]	Repeat verification and refer to Ozone TAD.
Level III Transfer Standard Reverification (1 X 3)	Semi-Annual	Slope and intercept must fall within the 95% prediction interval from the last 3 cycles	Ozone TAD[8]	Assess transfer standard to determine what might have caused the shift and perform a new verification if the investigation requires repair or adjustment of internal calibration factors.
Verification/Calibration and Multipoint Calibration	Quarterly or after failed QC check or maintenance	All points within ≤±2.1% or ≤±1.5 ppb difference of best-fit straight line whichever is greater and slope 1±0.05	40 CFR Part 50, App D[11]	The slope criteria is only a recommendation, but it is required to be presented in quarterly/annual reports.
Annual Performance Evaluation (Audit)	40 CFR Part 58 requirement: Every site 1/year	Audit levels 1&2 <±1.5 ppb difference or	40 CFR Part 58, Appendix A[10], Section 3.1.2	Zero-point and at least three gas points. Points

Requirement	Frequency	Acceptance Criteria	Reference	Action
	within period of monitor operation, 25% of sites quarterly WDEQ-AQD requirement: All sites semi-annual and Cheyenne NCore & Boulder locations Quarterly	<±15.1%; Audit levels 3-10 ≤±15.1%		outside acceptance criteria are repeated. If still outside, invalidate data to last acceptable calibration.
Detection limit	Annually	≤0.005 ppb or instrument manual specification	40 CFR Part 53.23 (C)[13]	Rerun detection limit test.
Noise	Annually	≤0.0025 ppm or instrument manual specification	40 CFR Part 53.23(b)[13]; Table B-1	Refer to instrument manual.
Shelter Temperature	Daily	20-30°C	EPA QA Handbook Vol. II[9], Sec 7.2.2	Flag data for which temperature range are outside of acceptance criteria.
Shelter Temperature Control	Daily	<±2.1°C SD over 24 hours	EPA QA Handbook Vol. II[9], Sec 7.2.2	Flag data for which temperature range are outside of acceptance criteria.
Shelter Temperature Device Check	Semi-annual	<±2.1°C of standard	EPA QA Handbook Vol. II[9], Sec 7.2.2	Flag data for which temperature range are outside of acceptance criteria.
Sample Residence Time	Annually	≤20 seconds	40 CFR Part 58, App. E[10] Sec.9(c)	Adjust flow rate so that residence time is under 20 seconds.

Table 8. Systematic Criteria for Ozone Analyzers

Requirement	Frequency	Acceptance Criteria	Reference	Action
Precision (using 1-point QC checks)	Calculated annually and as appropriate for design value estimates	90% CL CV <7.1%	1) 40 CFR Part 58 App A 2.3.1.2 & 3.11 2) 40 CFR Part 58 App A Sec. 4(b) 40 CFR Part 58 App A Sec. 4.1.2	-
Bias (using 1-point QC checks)	Calculated annually and as appropriate for design value estimates	95% CL≤±7.1%	1) 40 CFR Part 58 App A 2.3.1.2 & 3.11 2) 40 CFR Part 58 App A Sec. 4(b) 40 CFR Part 58 App A Sec. 4.1.3	-
Completeness	3-Year Comparison	≥90% (average) daily max available in ozone season with min of 75% in any one year	40 CFR Part 50, App. U[3]	-
	8-hour Average	At least 6 of the hourly concentrations for the 8-hour period	40 CFR Part 50, App. U[3]	-
	Valid Daily Max	Valid 8-hour averages are available for at least 13 of the 17 consecutive 8-hour periods starting from 7:00 am to 11:00 pm	40 CFR Part 50, App. U[3]	-

14.2 Visual Inspection of Equipment

The Site Operator visits the shelter monthly, or as often as weather permits, to check that the analyzers are operational and recording concentrations typical for the environment. At this time, the Site Operator will inspect the shelter temperature and adjust the thermostat, if necessary.

14.3 Remote Interrogation of Monitoring Station and Inspection of Data

The DAS at the monitoring stations will be interrogated daily via an internet connection to download and process the data. Abnormal data values or problems will be reported as soon as possible to the Contractor, who will initiate corrective action and determine if a special site visit is required.

Computerized inspection and visual inspection of these data will be performed daily using an outlier program. Values that fall outside of prescribed limits (**Table 6**, Error! Reference source not found., and Error! Reference source not found.) will be evaluated by the Contractor and Project Manager and c orrections to data will be documented.

14.4 Equipment Calibration

Ozone analyzers will be calibrated quarterly, when changes are made to the analyzer, or when problems require it. All calibration equipment will be traceable to a Level II ozone photometer that is traceable to the Level I SRP intercomparison network. See the SOP for ozone analyzers for the calibration procedures.

14.5 Calibration Reference Standard Certification

A level II primary ozone standards will be verified annually by EPA Region 8. Ozone level III transfer standards will be verified against the Level II ozone reference photometer per recommendations in the Ozone TAD documents[7,8]. The frequency is based on if the level 3 transfer standard is a bench or field transfer standard. The bench standards need to be verified annually and the field standards semi-annually. See the SOP for ozone analyzers for the calibration procedures.

14.6 Zero and Span Checks

Quality control procedures include zero and span checks every three days. The analyzers are challenged using ozone generated from the dilution calibrator. See the SOP for ozone analyzers for the zero and span check procedures.

14.7 One-Point QC Checks

One-point QC checks of the ozone analyzers will consist of a one-point check performed immediately following the zero/span checks every three days. These precision checks will be conducted by challenging the ozone analyzers with a standard ozone gas at a known concentration. These precision checks will be done in conjunction with the zero/span checks but prior to any zero or span adjustments performed as part of those checks. The concentration of the ozone used for these checks will be 70 ppb for O_3. See the SOP for ozone analyzers for the one-point QC check procedure.

15.0 Equipment Maintenance

The manufacturer's recommendations for maintenance will be followed. Instrument instruction manuals are available at the site for the reference of preventive and remedial maintenance procedures. Preventive and corrective maintenance will be documented on the calibration forms (there are example forms shown in the SOP for ozone analyzers) completed immediately after any maintenance. See Section 16.3 for equipment maintenance procedures.

The table below (**Table 9**) illustrates the acceptance criteria and references for the support equipment, siting and reporting units for the ozone network.

Table 9. Systematic Criteria for Ozone Support Equipment

Requirement	Frequency	Acceptance Criteria	Reference
Sample Probe	-	Borosilicate glass, Pyrex, Teflon	40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E[10]
Siting	1/year	Meets siting criteria	40 CFR Part 58 Appendix E[10]
Reporting Units	ppb for WyVisNet, ppm for Air Quality System (AQS) reporting	-	-
EPA Standard Ozone Reference Photometer (SRP) Recertification (Level I)	Annual	Regression slope = 1.00 ± 0.01 and intercept < 3ppb	Ozone TAD[7,8]

16.0 Instrument Equipment Testing and Inspection

16.1 Acceptance Testing of Instrumentation and Equipment Integration

Prior to installation, all equipment will be visually inspected to ensure there is no physical damage. Acceptance testing of instrumentation will be performed to verify that the instruments meet the required U.S. EPA performance specifications. Ozone analyzers that fail to meet specifications will be returned to the manufacturer. After installation, the analyzers are calibrated according to the SOP for ozone analyzers. Preventive maintenance and QA procedures will be conducted on a routine basis, as described in Section 16.3 and the SOP for ozone analyzers.

To ensure that the analyzers are operating properly, periodic performance audits are conducted by the WDEQ-AQD. This is described in Section 20 of this QAPP and the SOP for performance evaluations of gaseous analyzers.

16.2 Site Surveillance and System Check Procedures

The Site Operator will visit the monitoring station (monthly) to inspect the monitoring equipment. The Site Operator will conduct filter exchanges and will perform any maintenance required. The Site Operator will also verify the proper operation of the DAS, zero air system, and calibration system during the quarterly visit.

During each site visit, entries will be made in the site or electronic logbook (E-log) documenting all site activities conducted. These entries will include the date of the visit, the reason for the visit, and the maintenance or calibration activities performed. If changes are made to the equipment or configuration of the system, these changes will also be entered in the site logbook. Entries will be made any time there is a change or modification in the way a sample is obtained or the station configuration altered. If the Site Operator encounters a problem that cannot be rectified, he/she will contact the Contractor, who will be responsible for resolving the issue. The Contractor will initiate a plan for corrective action and, upon approval of the Project Manager, will employ the necessary resources required to rectify the situation.

Entries to the site logbook will be made when: (1) tubing is re-routed or new fittings or other components are added or removed in any stream of sample air calibration gas between analyzers, dilution calibrator, or sampling ports on the sampling tubing or station manifold, (2) the relative position of the analyzers' sample ports on the manifold or tubing is changed, (3) a new blower is added or a pump in an analyzer is replaced, (4) the location of a sampling inlet or port is moved, or (5) any similar change in the air monitoring station's configuration.

16.3 Site and Equipment Maintenance

The manufacturer's recommendations for the maintenance of the ozone analyzers will be followed. Instrument instruction manuals are available to reference preventative and remedial maintenance procedures. Preventive and corrective maintenance will be documented on the calibration forms immediately after any maintenance. The Teflon intake sample lines are checked for cracks or leakage and are replaced as necessary. See **Table 10** and **Table 11** for activity and frequency.

Table 10. Site Maintenance Activities

Maintenance Activity	Frequency
Sample intake manifold cleaning	Monthly or as needed
Sample inlet tubing replacement	Annually or as needed
Monitoring shelter floor cleaning	Monthly or as needed
Monitoring shelter trash removal	As needed
Monitoring shelter light bulb replacement	As needed
Heating/AC system filter replacement	As needed
Main sample intake filter	Quarterly or as needed
Shelter integrity inspection	Monthly or as needed

Table 11. Equipment Maintenance Activities

Maintenance Activity	Frequency
Ozone Analyzer	
Particulate filter replacement	Quarterly or as needed
Verify test functions	Monthly or as needed
Pump diaphragm replacement	Annually or as needed
O_3 scrubber replacement	2 to 5 years or as needed
Absorption tube	Every 2 years or as needed
Flow check	As needed
Leak check	As needed or after repairs
Pneumatic lines	Clean as needed
O_3 lamp replacement	As needed
Dilution Calibrator	
Verify test functions	After maintenance or repair
Inspect/clean absorption tube	As needed
Perform flow check	Quarterly or as needed
Perform leak check	Annually or after maintenance
Examine pneumatic lines	Quarterly or as needed
Zero Air System	
Check tubing	Quarterly or as needed
Replace charcoal scrubber	Annually
Replace Purafil	Annually
Replace HC scrubber	When contaminated
Replace CO Scrubber	When contaminated
Replace regenerative dryer	When contaminated
Replace particulate filter on rear panel	Annually
Replace four-way valve	Annually or as needed

17.0 Inspection/Acceptance of Supplies and Consumables

17.1 Spare Parts

Spare parts for the ozone analyzers will be stored in the monitoring shelter and will be used as needed. These spare parts include, but are not limited to, pump rebuild kits, Teflon sample filters, zero air scrubber material, and = various O-rings. Any additional parts that are not stored at the monitoring station will be stored at the WDEQ-AQD and contractors' central operating facilities.

17.2 Inspection/Acceptance of Supplies and Consumables

Spare parts will be purchased only from the instrumentation manufacturer by the Contractor or Project Managers. Parts will be inspected by the Contractor, Project Managers, or Site Operator for shipping damage upon receipt. Spare parts will be kept in the monitoring shelter for use when needed. The use of spare parts will be documented on calibration forms.

The ozone analyzers, multi-gas calibrator, and zero-air system use inlet filters; Purafil, charcoal, and span gas do not require acceptance testing. Inlet filters are replaced by the Site Operator approximately every month. The Purafil and charcoal are replaced yearly or more frequently, as needed.

18.0 Non-Direct Measurements

The data collected from the ozone monitoring program are used for NAAQS and WAAQS nonattainment decisions, compliance, dispersion modeling, and/or comparison with other ambient air monitoring data. The current NAAQS and WAAQS for ozone are an 8-hr standard set at 70 ppb. Exceedances of the NAAQS will be identified when 8-hr concentrations are greater than the level of the standard.

19.0 Data Management

The proper management of all data is critical to assuring the quality and usability of the monitoring results. As such, procedures have been implemented to ensure robust data acquisition, validation, reduction, reporting, and storage of electronic data. Ozone data will be recorded and stored in an on-site DAS. Data will be retrieved from the monitoring site daily via internet connection. The monitoring site can be called from any computer with the correct software and IP address.

All electronic calculations and statistical analyses will be performed using standard software that can be easily verified. All project documentation, records, data, and reports will be stored for at least five (5) years following project completion. The data are stored at the WDEQ-AQD network servers once it is reported to AQS and will be archived at a separate location.

Ozone data will be reviewed routinely by the Contractor and Project Manager assigned to the monitoring station. These data will be subjected to several levels of QC, validation, and QA. Validated data are compiled into the final database for further analysis and report preparation. The final database is processed and stored on a personal computer and then archived on various storage media and maintained in duplicate in more than one location for protection. For more details, please see Sections 21 and 22.

19.1 Data Retrieval

Data are retrieved from the site by connecting to the DAS via remote telemetry. In the past, WDEQ-AQD did not house the raw data. The data were housed and validated data by the Contractors. Recently, the WDEQ-AQD changed over to the AirVision platform also known as WyVisNet. This is a WDEQ-AQD housed data storage system that will be accessible to both Contractors and WDEQ-AQD staff. For the SLAMs stations (PM), the WDEQ-AQD data will be housed in the AirVision system and the WDEQ-AQD staff will perform validation on the data. For our SPM/gaseous stations, the Contractors will be the primary data repository.

19.2 Raw Data

Raw data are records, notes, memoranda, worksheets, or exact copies and are the result of original observations and activities of the monitoring project. Raw data include data from the DAS and data entered directly into a system.

19.3 Data Transfer

The analyzer produces digital and analog voltages that are collected by a DAS and averaged for a particular time period. The data are stored on a network and are validated quarterly. The hourly air quality data are uploaded to WyVisNet every 15 minutes.

19.4 DAS Data Review

Data review is performed by the Contractor. The review of data includes reviewing the calibration information, zero/span/one-point QC checks, flow checks, maintenance logs, hourly data, and flags, and recording any information that might be vital to the proper review of the data. Information used in the review may be used to invalidate data.

It is recommended that the Contractor follow a checklist when reviewing. This list should provide a reminder for the reviewer to verify missing data periods, percent data recovery, or data table calculations, to name a few. Data review also includes documentation of suspect data or invalidations that occurred.

19.5 Data Validation

Data validation ensures that data processing operations have been carried out correctly and that the field operations have been performed properly and in accordance with written procedures. Once data validation has identified problems, the data can be corrected, flagged, or invalidated and corrective actions can be taken when necessary. In the event of a failed audit or out-of-range calibration, the Contractor and Project Manager will be responsible for checking or invalidating data. Data validation procedures are described in detail in Section 22.

19.6 Data Transmittal

Data transmission occurs when data are transferred from one location to another or from one person or group to another. An example of data transfer is the electronic transfer of data over a telephone or computer network. WDEQ-AQD requires that data be prepared in AQS format on a quarterly basis and stored in zip files with a specific name format that incorporates the reported year and quarter.

The Data Manager will report all ambient air quality data and information as specified by the AQS Users Guide[14] and coded in the AQS format. Such data will be fully validated and will be submitted directly to the AQS via electronic transmission.

19.7 Data Processing

Data processing includes the aggregating and summarizing of results so they can be easily understood and interpreted in various ways. EPA regulations require certain summary data be computed and reported on a regular basis such as precision, accuracy, bias, etc.

19.8 Data Analyses

Data summary and analysis requirements, as presented in 40 CFR Part 58, Appendix A[10], will be followed for this program. Single analyzer accuracy, based on performance audits, single analyzer precision, bias, and data completeness will be tracked and reported for the monitoring network.

19.9 Data Flagging

Data will be flagged if a numeric result was available but has been qualified in some respect related to the validity of the result. Null data codes will be generated for invalid data as they are entered into the AQS database.

An exceptional event, as defined in 40 CFR Part 50.1 (j)[15], provides that an exceptional event is one that affects air quality, is not reasonably controllable or preventable, and is caused by human activity that is unlikely to recur at a particular location or a natural event. Additional requirements in 40 CFR Part 50.14[16] (1) (2) and (b) (1) identify that a state must demonstrate a “clear and causal relationship between the measured exceedances or violation of such standard and the event” and that “an exceptional event caused a specific air pollution concentration in excess of one or more National Ambient Air Quality Standards.” Thus, WDEQ-AQD and the Contractors will flag data related to an exceptional event at the request of the WDEQ-AQD. Electronic copies of the data will be stored at the WDEQ-AQD office in Cheyenne, Wyoming.

On January 21, 2022, EPA released a technical memo titled "Steps to Qualify or Validate Data after an Exceedance of Critical Criteria Checks" aka the "1F Memo". The memo is posted on EPA's AMTIC website and applies to gaseous quality control checks and appropriate flagging (coding) of the checks

The AQD is expecting that facilities with gaseous ambient monitoring (SO_2, NO_x, O_3, CO) implement the coding in this memo beginning with the 1st quarter 2022 ambient gaseous data and appropriate flagging (coding) of the check starting Q1 2022s.

19.10 Data Submittal to the AQS

Each quarter, the Contractor will prepare and submit the files containing observed data that are ready for AQS upload (“RD” transaction) to WDEQ-AQD’s IMPACT system. These files are prepared from validated hourly data and conform to the EPA’s central database—the AQS coding guidelines found on the AQS website[14]. Missing data will carry the null code that best describes the reason for each missing data point. The most common reasons for missing data include zero, one-point QC, and span checks, calibration, maintenance, audit, and power outage.

Data may also be marked with a qualifier code to denote suspect data if necessary. Data in the AQS files may be reported in standard or alternative units, which are defined by the AQS. Criteria pollutants will be reported in a manner consistent with guidelines set forth in the 40 CFR Part 50[11]. For details on WDEQ-AQD AQS coding, please see Appendix B, Section 3.0.

Section C. Assessment and Oversight

20.0 Assessment and Response Actions

The WDEQ-AQD QA Coordinator will perform the quarterly (NCore and Boulder) and semi-annual (SPMS) performance audits on the ozone samplers. Audit procedures and techniques followed by the WDEQ-AQD are established by EPA audit guidelines.

Performance audits are attended by a Contractor Representative and the QA Coordinator. The auditor will use the on-site logbook to record the times and parameters audited, as well as any witnesses to the audit. Electronic documentation of audit results will be kept for a period of five years following the audit. Audit summaries are available on WDEQ-AQD's IMPACT system. WDEQ-AQD is responsible for inputting audit results in EPA's AQS system.

On November 10, 2010, EPA published a memo that expanded the audit levels for the gaseous pollutant annual performance evaluations to ten levels to better reflect the spread of the routine ambient air data collected. These levels are presented in **Table 12**.

Table 12. Ozone Audit Levels

Audit Level	O_3 Concentration Range (PPM)
1	0.004 – 0.0059
2	0.006 – 0.019
3	0.020 – 0.039
4	0.040 - 0.069
5	0.070 – 0.089
6	0.090 – 0.119
7	0.120 – 0.139
8	0.140 – 0.169
9	0.170 – 0.189
10	0.190 – 0.259

The March 27, 2016, Federal Register provided the final rule for the QA changes in both 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix A and Appendix B[10]. One part of the revised rule was the selection of the audit levels for Annual Performance Evaluations. This revision states: "one-point must be within two to three times the method detection limit of the instruments within the PQAO network, the second point will be less than or equal to the 99th percentile of the data at the site or the network of sites in the PQAO or the next highest audit concentration level. The third point can be around the primary NAAQS or the highest 3-year concentration at the site or the network of sites in the PQAO." An additional 4th level is encouraged for those agencies that would like to confirm the monitors' linearity at the higher end of the operational range. The WDEQ-AQD auditor will select at least three audit levels that best reflect the measured concentrations at the station.

The EPA or its designee will perform TTP audits of the gaseous instruments within the WDEQ-AQD network according to 40 CFR Part 58[10]. The NPAP TTP audits are an integral part of an ambient air monitoring program quality system and serve as an independent and objective assessments of data quality and data comparability. NPAP TTP audits may be performed at any time during the contract period. The TTP consists of the EPA or designee setting up independent dilution calibrators, analyzers, gas cylinders, tubing and associated hardware to generate concentrations of gases within the range of the instrument. The TTP output gas will be placed within the inlet probe and flood the inlet, manifold, and all tubing to the instruments. The total flow of the TTP audit must be greater than the total flow of the monitoring inlet system. The TTP designee will then generate concentrations of gas within the range as stated in the previous paragraph and within the ranges described in **Table 12**.

20.1 Data Quality Audits

Data review is conducted daily utilizing electronic and visual scanning to identify outliers and determine whether data are reasonable and representative. The systems audit includes a confirmation of the integrity of transmitted data from sensor outputs to data reporting.

20.2 Corrective Actions

All deficiencies identified during routine data surveillance, performance audits, and/or site surveillances will be documented and reported to the Project Manager and Contractor no later than one working day of discovery and, depending on the nature of the deficiency, corrective action will be made no later than seven (7) business days of the notification. Corrective actions to deficiencies will be addressed and documented in the station logbook and a corrective action report. Follow-up action shall be taken to verify implementation of the corrective action. A corrective action report form will be filled out that identifies the problem or deficiency, the proposed corrective action, and the results of the corrective action. Corrective action reports will also be included in the station's quarterly summary report. An example of a corrective action report is presented in the SOP for ozone analyzers in Appendix A. WDEQ-AQD has the authority to issue stop work orders to Contractors, if necessary.

20.3 QAPP Revisions

If revisions to the QAPPs are needed, any modifications will be performed or approved by the WDEQ-AQD. QAPP reviews will be performed annually by WDEQ-AQD.

21.0 Reports to Management

A summary of the reports to be generated is presented in **Table 13**. The Contractor will generate reports to management.

Table 13. Reports to Management

Reports	Frequency	Content	Responsible Individual	Distribution
Quarterly Reports (Includes Precision and Accuracy)	Quarterly	Summarize Data for Quarterly Summaries	Contractor	See Section 3 Distribution List
Annual Report	Annually	Summarize data for Annual Reports	Contractor	See Section 3 Distribution List
Email notification of Action Limit reached	As Needed	Discuss instrument issues, ZPS level/percentage, and proposed course of action	Contractor	Project Manager
Corrective Action Reports	As Needed	Summarizes Corrective Actions Taken to return the Monitoring Station into compliant status	Contractor	See Section 3 Distribution List
Response to Corrective Action Reports	As Needed	Reports the results of the Corrective Actions Taken	Contractor	See Section 3 Distribution List
Elevated Pollutant Concentration Notification	As Needed	Report of pollutant concentration > than the predetermined threshold	Contractor	WDEQ-AQD Monitoring Supervisor, Project Manager, Data Manager

Quarterly reports will be submitted to the WDEQ-AQD within 60 days of the end of the monitoring quarter. The annual report will be submitted to the WDEQ-AQD within 90 days of the end of the monitoring year. Corrective action reports are submitted as needed within seven (7) business days of identifying a deficiency and in the quarterly report.

A notification will be submitted to the WDEQ-AQD APMP Supervisor, Project Manager and Data Manager whenever ozone concentrations measured at the site exceed 70 ppb in an hourly average. Notifications via email will be sent the following business day and will include a graph of the data (including meteorological parameters) from the day the elevated value occurred, along with a brief explanation of the event.

Section D. Data Validation and Usability

22.0 Data Review, Validation, and Verification Requirements

The data validation criteria are based on U.S. EPA's Quality Assurance Handbook for Air Pollution Measurement Systems, Volume II[9]. The data validation criteria are detailed in **Table 6**, Error! Reference source not found., Error! Reference source not found., and **Table 9** and are based on the data validation templates in EPA QA Handbook II[10], Appendix D. **Table 6**, Error! Reference source not found., Error! Reference source not found., and **Table 9** are comprised of critical criteria, operational evaluations, and systematic issues. Data that do not meet each and every criterion on the critical criteria table (**Table 6**) should be invalidated unless there is a compelling justification for not doing so. Violation of a criterion on the operational criteria (Error! Reference source not found.) table may be c ause for invalidation and the reason for not meeting the criterion must be investigated, mitigated, or justified. If a criterion on the systematic criteria table (Error! Reference source not found. and **Table 9**) is not met, it does not invalidate these data but may impact the "error rate associated with the attainment/nonattainment decision."

The Project Managers, Contractors, and Site Operators are responsible for verifying the proper operation of the monitoring equipment under their control. The Contractor will review the incoming data to the standards discussed in this document. During each quarter, the data will be reviewed again by the Project Manager to ensure that the data are complete, accurate, and representative and that erroneous data have been removed in preparation for the final data report.

The Contractor will routinely check for irregularities during the daily data review. Data review includes evaluation of the raw data, three-day zero/span/one-point QC (precision) checks, maintenance records, calibration, and audit data. Any abnormalities in the data will be flagged and noted on the appropriate checklists. Any suspect data will be brought to the attention of the Project Manager as soon as possible. All other documentation pertaining to the project (e.g., station logs, field notes, calibration, and audit sheets) will be reviewed to ensure that erroneous data are identified and removed as necessary from the final data set.

Calibration procedures and data validity parameters for the ozone analyzers are presented in the SOP for ozone analyzers. The data will be considered valid when the system response indicates precision, bias, and accuracy goals are achieved.

22.1 Data Acceptance Limits for Ozone

Independent performance audits will be conducted to verify that calibration and maintenance of the instruments are correct. Audit results will be used to invalidate periods of data when the analyzer is not operating within EPA specifications as discussed in **Table 6**, Error! Reference source not found., and Error! Reference source not found. Zero/span checks will be conducted to verify the performance of t he ozone analyzers every three days.

For the determination of ozone, data will be valid and acceptable if the following conditions apply:

- Independent performance audits must meet the following criteria: for audit levels 1&2, the absolute difference must be <± 1.5 ppb or <± 15.1%, whichever is greater, between the analyzer response and audit concentration for ozone. For audit levels 3-10, the absolute difference must be <15.1% between analyzer response and audit concentration for ozone.

- The analyzer span drift between a span interval does not exceed ± 7.1 percent, as determined by the zero/span checks.
- The analyzer zero drift for one zero check interval does not exceed ± 3.1 ppb (24-hr), as determined by the zero/span checks.
- The analyzer zero drift for one zero check interval does not exceed ± 5.1 ppb (24-hr to 14 days), as determined by the zero/span checks.

23.0 Data Validation and Verification Methods

Ozone data are stored on DAS loggers as one-minute and hourly averages (at a minimum) computed from one-second values. Data validation will be performed on the hourly average data. An hourly average will be computed when at least 45 one-minute averages are available for the hour.

The Project Managers and Contractors are responsible for verifying ozone data by reviewing the zero/span/one-point QC checks, flow checks, calibration records, audit results, and field notes from the Site Operators prior to formal acceptance of these data. Precision and bias calculations will be also be reviewed. The Project Managers will use the criteria tables (**See Appendix A: SOP**) to ensure that the reported data meet the appropriate MQOs.

23.1 Level 0 Data Validation

Level 0 data validation is essentially raw data obtained directly from the data acquisition systems in the field. These data have not received any adjustments for known biases or problems that may have been identified during preventive maintenance checks or audits. Level 0 data validation is accomplished by:

- Collecting data via modem
- Initially screening the daily data for anomalies

Stacked parameter plots will be generated that consist of every data point downloaded since the last site interrogation, which will be reviewed by the Contractor for consistency and possible problems. This redundancy assures that problems that might go unnoticed by the software will always be caught by the reviewer.

To aid in data validation, a password-protected project website will be hosted and updated daily by the Contractor. This will differ from Contractor to Contractor. The site should contain 24-hr meteorological chart graphics, daily minimums, maximums, and averages, QA reports, and wind roses. Historical data should also be accessible. By using this approach, data collection percentages are greatly enhanced and data management personnel can quickly note and resolve any potential instrumentation problems.

23.2 Quality Control Checks for Data Validation

Once data are downloaded via modem, they will be subjected to a series of QC checks by a software package. The software package performs extensive quality control checks of the data and generates a data summary report that lists means, maximums, minimums, time of occurrence, data values that fall outside of prescribed ranges, periods of constant values, and periods of rapid value changes. These criteria may be adjusted as data are collected to more accurately encompass site-specific conditions.

For the air quality parameters, additional data review will be initiated by the following:

- Time increments greater than 5 minutes between data records
- O_3 concentrations less than 5 ppb
- 5-minute average O_3 concentrations greater than 70 ppb

The QC software is used to generate flags or warnings that the parameter value is outside of a normal acceptable range. The outlier program does not invalidate data or erase file records on the basis of these outlier tests. Raw data files are never modified and are archived. It will be left to a Contractor to review the results of the outlier program in conjunction with the data parameter plots and initiate corrective actions if warranted (site visit or data invalidation).

23.2 Level 1 Data Validation

After the QC software is run, a visual inspection of the data is performed to identify suspect data values that warrant further investigation. These values will be flagged.

Per EPA's Quality Assurance Handbook for Air Pollution Measurement Systems, Volume II: Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Program[10], EPA recommends the use of flags or result qualifiers to identify potential problems with data (or a sample). According to the EPA, a flag is an indicator of the fact and the reason that a data value (a) did not produce a numeric result, (b) produced a numeric result but it is qualified in some respect relating to the type or validity of the result, or (c) produced a numeric result but for administrative reasons is not to be reported outside the organization.

Thus, QC flags and codes consisting of a letter and value will be assigned to each datum to indicate its quality. Multiple flags will be applied to each invalid data point, such as data invalid due to calibration. **Table 14** presents the data flags and codes that will be applied to the data. Additional AQS qualifier codes can be found at: https://aqs.epa.gov/aqsweb/documents/codetables/qualifiers.html

Table 14. Data Flags

Flag	Code	Description
V	0	Valid
C	1	Corrected or Estimated
S	7	Suspect: data appears to be a data spike or outside the normal data range
I	8	Invalid data
M	9999	Missing data: measurement not taken
BJ	9963	Operator Error
AC	9969	Construction in Area
AE	9971	Shelter Temperature Outside Limits
AH	9974	Sample Flow Rate Out of Limits
AL	9978	Voided by Operator
AM	9979	Miscellaneous Void
AN	9980	Instrument Malfunction
AP	9982	Vandalism
AQ	9983	Collection Failure
AS	9985	Poor QA Results
AT	9986	Calibration
AV	9988	Power Failure
AW	9989	Wildlife Damage
AX	9990	Precision Check
AY	9991	QA Control Points (Zero/Span)
AZ	9992	QC Audit
BA	9993	Maintenance
BB	9994	Unable to Reach Site
BC	9995	Multi-Point Calibration
BD	9996	Auto Calibration
BF	9998	ZPS

To assist in data validation, a copy of the site logbook and E-log will be examined to confirm periods when instrumentation may have been offline due to power outages, maintenance or repair, audits, or other QA activities. Significant events will be checked against the graphs for consistency.

QC check data will be reviewed to assess the precision and bias of the data. If the QC checks or calibrations indicate invalid or low precision, data values may be invalidated or adjusted as necessary and the appropriate flags will be applied. The results from the remote zero/span/one-point QC checks will also be reviewed to determine if the air quality data should be considered invalid. Especially high values will be checked to be sure that audit or calibration data were not inadvertently included. Suspect data will be reported but flagged as suspect. Missing data will be left missing.

It is important to maintain detailed, accurate records of changes to the data. The justification for all data invalidations will be permanently documented in a data validation summary spreadsheet. Suspect data will also be documented.

For reporting purposes, hourly ozone data will be presented. In addition, running 8-hr averages for ozone will also be presented. The ozone data between 0 and -4 ppb are set to 0. Data below -5 ppb will be invalidated.

23.4 Minimum Acceptable Data Recovery Percentage

To be considered valid, each hour of ozone data must consist of at least 45 minutes of valid data. The data recovery goal for the ozone data will be at least 90 percent per quarter for WDEQ-AQD requirements and at least 75% as required by 40 CFR Part 50.

23.5 Data Report QA Checklist

As part of the data validation process to prepare data for reports, report table content versus data files, missing data, offline periods, percent data recovery, and mathematical calculations are routinely verified.

24.0 Reconciliation with User Requirements

The objective of the ozone monitoring network is to collect data that will provide the necessary information for the WDEQ-AQD to assess whether the DQOs are met. The ozone data will be used to characterize and monitor trends in air quality and compliance with national and state air quality standards and may be used for national health assessments, model evaluations, and comparison with other ambient air monitoring and meteorological data. Following the procedures described in this QAPP and the SOP for ozone analyzers will ensure that the DQOs are met, and the data will be representative of air quality conditions and be of acceptable quality for precision, bias, and completeness.

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APPENDIX A: Standard Operating Procedures for Ozone Analyzers

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Appendix A.2: Standard Operating Procedure for Performance Evaluations of Gaseous Analyzers

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Standard Operating Procedure

For Ozone Analyzers

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1.0 Scope and Applicability

Ozone (O_3), which is a ubiquitous gas in the atmosphere, is generally created by the reaction of free oxygen free radical and diatomic oxygen. In the troposphere, the process starts with Nitrogen Dioxide (NO_2). NO_2 goes through a process known as photolysis where one of the oxygen molecules disassociates and becomes a free radical, $O(^3P)$. The free radical then reacts with diatomic oxygen, O_2, which is abundant in the atmosphere. These reactions are summarized as follows:

$$NO_2 + h\nu \rightarrow NO + O(^3P)\ ,\ \lambda < 400\ nm$$
$$O(^3P) + O_2 \rightarrow O_3$$

Ozone usually forms in the late morning hours of the day, usually after rush hour traffic. The NO_2, which is a byproduct from mobile and stationary combustion sources, is available for photolysis. Once the sun rises in the morning, ozone will form until all of the NO_2 is exhausted.

Wyoming has one ozone non-attainment area, the Upper Green River Basin (UGRB). In the UGRB, ozone is formed in the winter when there is an abundance of snow, sunlight, stagnant conditions, and reactive nitrogen oxide species (NO_X) and volatile organic compounds (VOCs) emissions from local oil and gas sources.

2.0 Summary of Method

The analytical principle is based on absorption of UV light by the ozone molecule and subsequent use of photometry to measure reduction of the quanta of light reaching the detector at 254 nm. The degree of reduction depends on the path length of the UV sample cell, the ozone concentration introduced into the sample cell, and the wavelength of the UV light, as expressed by the Beer-Lambert law. An air sample is drawn into an optical absorption cell where it is irradiated by a low pressure, cold cathode mercury vapor lamp fitted with a sheath to filter out radiation with a wavelength of less than 254 nm. A photodetector, located at the opposite end of the sample cell, measures the reduction in UV intensity at 254nm caused by the presence of ozone in the sample cell.

Because ozone is highly reactive, it cannot be stored in a cylinder; it must be generated using an UV lamp. United States Environmental Protection Agency's (U.S. EPA's) offices operate and maintain a set of ozone instruments that are known as Standard Reference Photometers (SRPs). The SRPs reside in the EPA laboratories throughout the US. The SRPs are intercompared amongst themselves, thus creating a "set "of standards. It is the responsibility of the EPA to maintain and intercompare these standards. The level of these standards are known as the Level I.

2.1 Definitions

The following terms that are used throughout this document are defined here:

- **Level I Standard Reference Photometer:** This refers to a Level I photometer that is operated and calibrated by the EPA Regional offices.
- **Level II Photometer:** This refers to a photometer that has been either directly intercompared or, through one intermediary photometer, to a Level I SRP.
- **Level III photometer:** This is a photometer that has been referenced to a Level II or higher

photometer.

- **Transfer Standard (TS):** This is a photometer that is generally used to calibrate ozone instruments or field calibration units in the monitoring sites.
- **One point Quality Control (QC) check or Precision check:** This is a one-point check that is performed using a concentration that is usually set in the range where an ozone instrument operates. This check is performed once every three days using the multi-gas dilution calibrator, which generates this point. These values are used for precision and bias calculations.

3.0 Health and Safety Warnings

The following health and safety warnings must be followed in order for safe operation of the instrument.

- Ozone analyzers generally operate using 110 VAC current. Therefore, if troubleshooting, be extremely cautious against electric shock. This can both harm a person and possibly harm the instrument.
- Ozone analyzers use an ultraviolet (UV) lamp in the optics portion of the instrument. Do not look directly at the lamp if it is lit. The UV can burn your retinas and cause blindness.
- When generating ozone, be sure to ventilate the area thoroughly. If possible, vent any excess ozone gas outside and avoid breathing it if possible. Ozone can damage lung tissues.
- Always use a third ground wire on all instruments.
- Always unplug the analyzer when servicing or replacing parts.
- If it is mandatory to work inside an analyzer while it is in operation, use extreme caution to avoid contact with high voltages inside the analyzer. The analyzer has high voltages in certain parts of the circuitry, including a 220 volt DC power supply, a 110 volt AC power supply, and a start-up lamp voltage can be very high. Refer to the manufacturer's instruction manual and know the precise locations of these components before working on the instrument.
- Avoid electrical contact with jewelry. Remove rings, watches, bracelets, and necklaces to prevent electrical burns.

4.0 Cautions

- Clean the optical tubes carefully to avoid damaging the interior of the tubes. Use cleaning procedures outlined in the manufacturer's instruction manual.
- Keep the interior of the analyzer clean.
- Inspect the system regularly for structural integrity.
- To prevent leaks, it is recommended that leak tests procedures be performed on the instruments whenever any work is performed that could affect the flow of the sample in the instrument. Also, make sure that all sampling lines are reconnected after required checks and before leaving the site.

4.2 Interferences

UV analyzers have negligible interference from water vapor in systems containing only ozone, water vapor, and zero air. The measured ozone concentrations were within 0.5 percent of the true ozone values at various test humidities.
Many aromatic hydrocarbons are known both to absorb light at 254 nm and to be "sticky"-readily

absorbed or adsorbed on surfaces exposed to air samples. Smog chamber studies producing ozone by irradiation of toluene/NO mixtures showed that benzaldehyde and other aromatic photo-oxidation products such as *o*-cresol x, and *o*-nitro-toluene were almost completely removed by ozone scrubbers used in ozone UV analyzers. Although scrubber retention of aromatic hydrocarbons produces a positive interference initially, the retained compounds may be released later when conditions change, giving rise to a negative interference.

Interference from mercury is generally not a problem at most sites because atmospheric concentrations are usually very low, but the possibility of locally high mercury concentrations in the vicinity of a monitoring site does exist. If possible, remove all mercury sources, such as thermometers from the station or vicinity.

5.0 Personnel Qualifications

It is the responsibility of WDEQ-AQD and/or the Contractor to train their laboratory or field staff on instrument operation and maintenance. It is a requirement of the WDEQ-AQD to train their staff but also keep records of all training that is performed per WDEQ-AQD's Training Plan. Although an ozone analyzer is a self-contained, computer operated instrument, there is a level of knowledge of electronics and know-how involved in the operation and maintenance of the instrument. The instrument manual is the best training tool for this.

6.0 Equipment

WDEQ-AQD utilizes Federally Equivalent Method (FEM) ozone analyzers, because it is required by the EPA. FEMs are thoroughly vetted by the EPA. The analyzer, when initially received, should operate within the parameters set down by the EPA. These parameters are available in the operating manual that comes with the instrument. Thoroughly read and familiarize yourself with this instrument.

The following supplies are required for the operation of an ozone analyzer:

- **Ozone Generator:** A generator providing stable ozone concentrations that can be varied manually or by automatic electronic feedback circuitry. If the transfer standard is an ozone generator, no other ozone generator is needed.
- **Zero Air Generator:** Zero air is required for the calibration of ozone analyzers. This air must be ozone-free to 0.001 ppm, and also free of NO, NO_2, particulates, and hydrocarbons.
- **Output Manifold:** The manifolds at all stations are constructed out of borosilicate glass or Teflon lines.
- **Tubing and Fittings:** Teflon is an inert material that is used exclusively throughout the system. All fittings and ferrules must also be made of PFA or PTFE Teflon.
- **In-Line Filters:** These are used to filter out particulate matter and water vapor in the inlet side of the tubing. These should be changed on a periodic basis.

Spare parts for the ozone analyzers will be stored in the monitoring shelter and will be used as needed. These spare parts include, but are not limited to, pump re-build kits, Teflon sample filters, zero air scrubber material, various o-rings, and filter tape

6.1 Inspection/Acceptance of Supplies and Consumables

Spare parts will be purchased only from the instrumentation manufacturer by the Project Managers or the Contractors. For the WEDQ-AQD operated sites, parts will be inspected by the Project Managers, Contractors, and/or Site Operators for shipping damage upon receipt. The use of spare parts will be documented on calibration forms. Please note that some parts will be stored at the monitoring stations while some less utilized parts will be stored at the Contractors' and/or WEQD-AQD's central facilities. The AQD will use AirVision software to track spare analyzer usage.

The ozone analyzers, the multi-gas dilution calibrator, and zero-air system use inlet filters, Purafil, charcoal, and span gas do not require acceptance testing. Inlet filters are replaced by the Site Operator at each monthly site visit or as necessary. The Purafil and charcoal is replaced yearly or more frequently, as needed.

7.0 Quality Control Procedures

At this time, the national transfer of traceability for ozone is detailed in EPA document titled, "Transfer Standards for Calibration of Air Monitoring Analyzers for Ozone, dated July 2020." The procedures in this document describe in depth how the intercomparison of the SRP system to the lower level instruments is performed. For the sake of brevity, these procedures are referenced.[1]

The Level I SRPs are made available to State, Local, Tribal and private standards photometers for intercomparisons annually, at a minimum, against "non-EPA" photometers, which are designated as Level II standards. For the WDEQ-AQD, the Level II standard remains in the laboratory in Cheyenne, Wyoming. However, several Contractors that operate within the State of Wyoming also have Level II standard photometers. Due to several Level II photometers in the State jurisdiction, the following procedures will be followed:

1. All Level II photometers will be traceable to the EPA Region 8 Level I photometer. If the Region 8 SRP is unavailable, then the Level II will be intercompared to one of the other EPA Regional offices' SRP.
2. In the case of a discrepancy, the WDEQ-AQD's standard photometer will take precedence.
3. From time to time, as decided by the WDEQ-AQD, the Level II standard photometers operated by the Contractors will be intercompared with the Cheyenne, Wyoming office Level II photometer if discrepancies occur during APEs.

Once the Level II standard photometers have been intercompared to the Region 8 SRP Level I photometers, the Level II photometer is considered to be traceable to the Level I. For the sake of brevity, these procedures are detailed in Reference 1.

The Level II photometer must be verified annually. Once the Level II photometer has been verified, all Level III transfer standards are verified against the Level II, as soon as practical, at a minimum on a semi-annual basis. The Level III transfer standards can be taken to the field stations for QC, span and multipoint calibration checks. As stated earlier, WDEQ-AQD Level II standard is housed in the Cheyenne, Wyoming laboratory and maintained by the WDEQ-AQD QA Coordinator. Contractors will maintain their Level II and Level III according to this SOP.
Ozone analyzers are utilized as the transfer standards as it is necessary to conduct the calibration using a portable field transfer standard. Generally, the on-site multi-gas dilution calibrator system generates the on-site ozone. The on-site ozone analyzer and the transfer standard sample ozonated air and the output measured by the transfer standard and the on-site ozone analyzer are then compared. From the analysis

of these results, a percent difference is calculated for the calibrations and one-point QC checks.

Routine operations are performed at the monitoring stations that guarantee that the instruments and support equipment are operating according to the MQOs as stated in the QAPP, as shown in Table 1. **Tables 5-8** illustrate the QC procedures, calibration and audit requirements, and frequencies for ozone instruments.

Table 1. Ozone Analyzer QC Procedures

Procedure	Frequency	Requirement
Visual Inspection of Equipment	Each Site Visits; typically, once a month	As needed
Remote interrogation of monitoring station and inspection of data	Daily	QC checks for data screening
Zero/span checks	Once every 3 days	40 CFR Part 50, App. D and A-1
Precision checks	Once every 3 days	40 CFR Part 58 App. A 2.3.1.2 & 3.2.1
Multipoint Calibrations	Quarterly or whenever instrument performance requires it	See Section 9.0 and instrument manual
Level II reference standard certification	Annually	Level I-SRP traceable. See Reference 1 for details.
Level II standard photometers operated by the contractors will be intercompared with the WDEQ-AQD Level II photometer	If discrepancies occur during APEs or as needed	As needed
Level III transfer standard verification	Semi-annually at a minimum	Level III verified against Level II See Reference 1 for details.

The identification, cause, and corrective action for conditions adverse to quality will be documented on a Corrective Action Report form (example in Appendix A of this SOP). Follow-up action will be taken by the Project Manager to verify the corrective action was taken.

7.1 Equipment Maintenance

Table 2 illustrates the maintenance schedule that should be followed in order to maintain the Teledyne or Thermo instruments. These maintenance activities are the responsibility of the Site Operator at their specific sites.

Table 2. Equipment Maintenance Activities

Maintenance Activity	Frequency	Reference
Particulate Filter Replacement	Quarterly or as needed	See Section 7.2
Verify test functions	Monthly or as needed	See Instrument Manual
Pump diaphragm replacement	Annually or as needed	See Instrument Manual
O_3 scrubber replacement	2 to 5 years or as needed	See Instrument Manual
Absorption Tube Cleaning and Inspection	Every 2 years or as needed	See Instrument Manual
Flow Check	As needed	See Instrument Manual
Leak Check	As needed or after repairs	See Instrument Manual
Pneumatic lines	Clean as needed	See Instrument Manual
O_3 lamp replacement	As needed	See Instrument Manual

7.2 Particulate Filter Replacement

Particulate Matter (PM), i.e., dust and pollen, can be drawn into the station inlets and travel through the lines and can enter the ozone instruments optical bench. If this happens, the PM can absorb light and attenuate the UV light used to measure ozone. PM filters are placed in-line and remove the PM. Below is a procedure to replace the filter.

1. Before proceeding, the ozone channel must be flagged. The Site Operator will follow the site specific procedures to flag the appropriate data channels based on the task being performed.

2. Open the PM filter holder. This is usually behind the instrument and near the inlet to the instrument.

3. Carefully remove the old filter. Examine it for pin holes and any tears in the material. Discard the old filter. At this time, be sure to inspect the O-ring and filter holder rings to make sure the O-ring has not been pinched.

4. Carefully place a new filter into the filter holder and close the unit. If the filter holder is a screw type, do not over-tighten; this can cause the filter to tear.

5. If no check or calibrations are to be performed, then return the ozone instrument channel on the DAS back to data collection status.

6. Enter into the station log (either DataView or OneNote) that a filter change was performed. Note the date and time.

8.0 Automated Zero/Span/Precision Check

The procedure below describes the automated steps that are performed when a zero/span/precision check (ZPS) is initiated by the DAS. This automated check is accomplished by using the site calibration system and the DAS. The multi-gas dilution calibrator is able to generate, measure and deliver known amounts of ozone to the analyzer at atmospheric pressure. A vent MUST be used in the line somewhere downstream of the analyzer inlet.

1. The automated ZPS is initiated by the DAS to perform a one point QC check from the site calibrator. This value should be in the range of 0.005 ppm to 0.080 ppm.

2. The site calibrator begins generating the one point QC check by initiating the ozone generating system.

3. After 10 to 15 minutes, the DAS reads the analyzer response and stores it within the DAS.

4. The DAS switches to zero air. After 10 to 15 minutes the analyzer response is read by the DAS and stored.

5. The DAS initiates an upper scale ozone point at approximately 80% of full scale of the instrument. The DAS reads the response of the instrument and stores that value in the DAS.

6. The DAS then terminates the ZPS and allows the instrument to measure ambient air.

9.0 Instrument Performance Calibrations Procedure

The basic sampling equipment and supplemental supplies that are needed to perform ozone calibrations include: DAS, sampling lines, sampling manifold, certified calibration transfer standards, zero-air source, ozone generation device (calibrator) and record forms.

9.1 Zero Calibration Procedure

1. Before proceeding, the ozone channel must be flagged. Since data systems and programs often change, check with the Contractor for specifics on flagging the appropriate data channels based on task.

2. Begin by introducing zero air to the sample inlet of the analyzer. This can be accomplished by using the site calibration system, or an external zero air sources. Zero air or any sample gas must be delivered to the analyzer at atmospheric pressure; therefore, you MUST have a vent in the line somewhere downstream of the analyzer inlet.
    a. When using the site calibration system, no plumbing changes are required. You simply need to begin by commanding zero air from the site calibrator. The vent is already installed in the system. When bringing a separate or external zero air source, the sample inlet line must be disconnected from the site intake manifold and connected to the external system with a vented T inline.

3. Wait for the analyzer to reach stability, usually around 10 minutes.

4. Press CAL, then ZERO, then ENTER to set the new zero. If you decide you do not want to set the zero, press EXIT instead of ENTER.

5. Press EXIT after ENTER to leave the CAL menu.

9.2 Span Calibration

1. If not already flagged, flag the ozone channel.

2. Just as with the zero, the site calibration system can be used or an external span gas source can be used.

3. Begin delivering ozone at 80% of the URL (upper range limit) of the analyzer. While awaiting system stabilization, set the EXPECTED span gas concentration into the analyzer.

4. Press CAL, then CONC, then SPAN. From there, you can enter the span value you are expecting. This typically will already be set to 80% of the URL; however, it is a good idea to check this value.

5. Set the span value by pressing the buttons corresponding to each digit on the screen to change the value.

6. Press ENTER to store the expected span value.

7. Press EXIT to return to normal sample mode.

8. While still delivering the 80% URL gas concentration, and once stabilization has been reached, press CAL.

9. Press SPAN once you are certain you want to set the value. If you decide not to set the span value press EXIT.

10. To set the span value press ENTER. This changes the actual analyzer’s internal slope and forces it to read at the previously set SPAN value.

11. Press EXIT and return to the normal sample mode.

12. After the zero and span (80% URL) points have been set, generate at least 3 additional points evenly spaced between these values with no further adjustments to the analyzer. For each point, allow for approximately 10 minutes of stabilization before recording the value. Plot the analyzer responses versus the corresponding calculated concentrations to obtain the calibration relationships. Determine the straight line of best fit (y=mx+b) determined by the method of least squares.
13. After the best fit line has been drawn, determine whether the analyzer response is linear. To be considered linear, no calibration test point should differ from the best-fit line by more than 2.1% of full scale.

14. Once the multipoint calibration is performed, return the ozone channel to normal sampling mode on the DAS.

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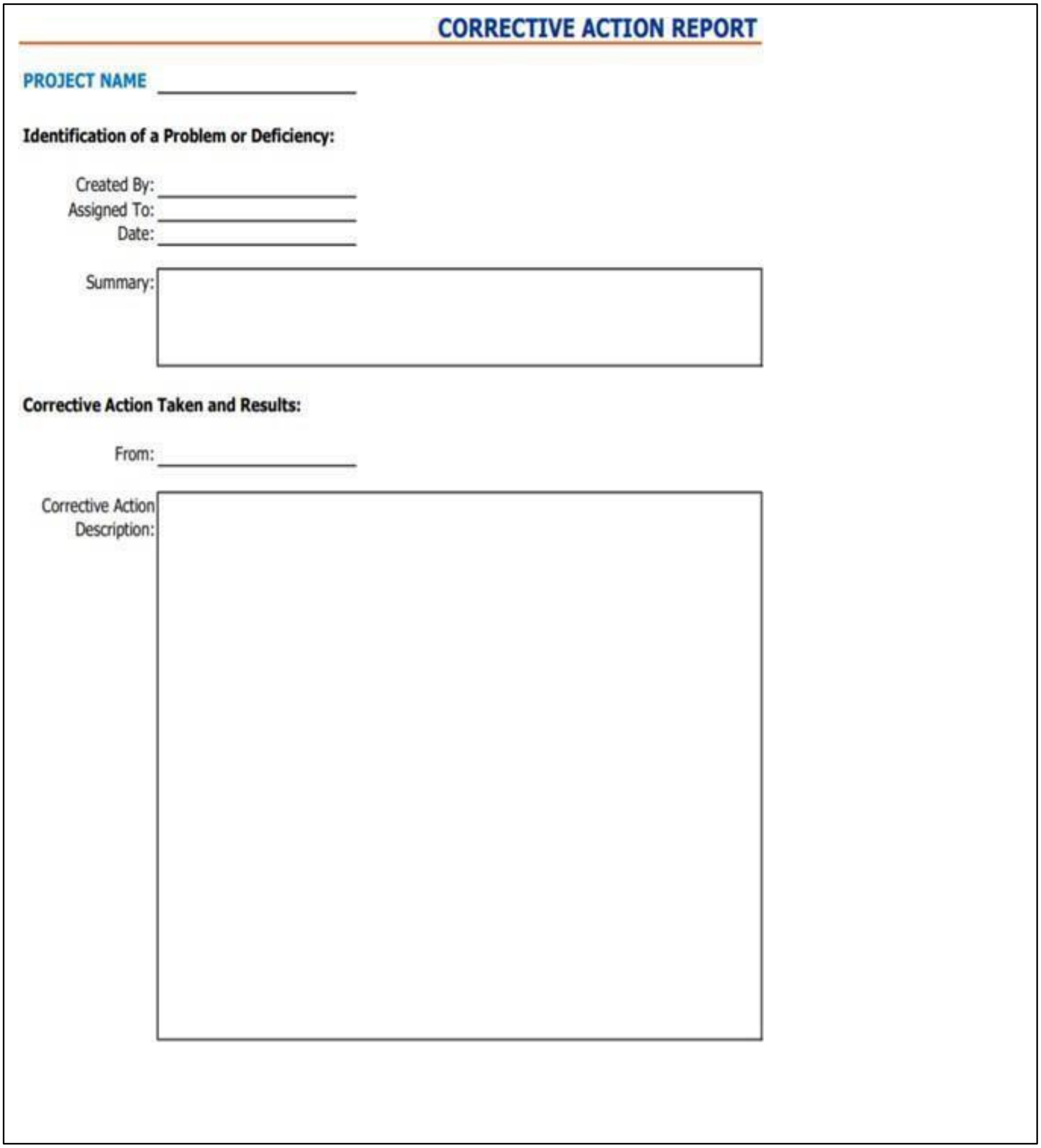
APPENDIX A FORMS

Corrective Action Form Example
Ozone Calibration Forms



CORRECTIVE ACTION REPORT

PROJECT NAME ____________________

Identification of a Problem or Deficiency:

Created By: ____________________
Assigned To: ____________________
Date: ____________________

Summary:

Corrective Action Taken and Results:

From: ____________________

Corrective Action Description:

Trinity Consultants

OZONE CALIBRATION SHEET

AS FOUND

SITE NAME ____________ **Date** ________ **Start Time** ________
PROJECT ____________ **Stop Time** ________
SITE OPERATOR ____________

Analyzer Mfg ____________ **Anal. Range 0-** ________ **PPB**
Analyzer Model ____________
Analyzer s/n ____________

CALIBRATION EQUIPMENT:

Ozone Source: ________	**Transfer Standard:** ________	**Zero Air Source:** ________
Model: ________	**Model:** ________	**Model:** ________
Serial #: ________	**Serial #:** ________	**Serial #:** ________
Cert Date: ________	**Certification Date:** ________	**Certification Date:** ________

Calibration Factors: Corrected Data = (Indicated Response *m + b)

Transfer Standard
m: ________
b: ________
r: ________
Calibration Date: ________

INPUT (Txfr Standard)		RESPONSE		BEST-FIT DETERMINATION		
Raw Input (PPB)	Corrected (X) (PPB)	(Y) (PPB)	% DIFF.	Predicted (Y)	Residual (PPB)	Residual (<2% Full Scale)
			/			

Calibration Regression Analysis: Corr. Analyzer Response (Y)=m(calib input(X))+b
Criteria: All points within ±2% of calibration range of best-fit straight line

Slope(m)		1.05 to 0.95
Intercept(b)		(≤ ± 10)
Correlation Coefficent(r)		(>0.995)
Average % Difference		

COMMENTS

Calibrated By ____________

= cell containing equations

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OZONE ANALYZER VERIFICATION & CALIBRATION (AS FOUND)

ABBR.					
CLIENT		FIELD SPECIALIST		DATE	
SITE NAME				DATE OF LAST VISIT	

AS FOUND

TRANSFER STANDARD		AMBIENT ANALYZER		STATION REFERENCE	
Manufacturer		Manufacturer	-	Manufacturer	-
Model		Model		Model	
Serial Number		Serial Number		Serial Number	
Transfer Standard Level	-	Full Scale (ppb)	250	Transfer Standard Level	-
				Logger Slope Correction	1.0000
				Logger Intercept Correction	0.0000

Transfer Standard Correction Factors	SLOPE	INT
	1.0000	0.0000

CALIBRATION ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA (<=)	
Mean Absolute Difference (%)	3%
Maximum Absolute Difference (%)	3%

DATA ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA (<=)	
Mean Absolute Difference (%)	10%
Maximum Absolute Difference (%)	10%

		LAMP%	TRANSFER STANDARD		AMBIENT ANALYZER				STATION REFERENCE			
POINT	TARGET	or mV	Display	Corrected	DAS	Diff	%Diff	LINEAR%	DAS	Diff	%Diff	LINEAR%
ZERO	0						N/A				N/A	
1	200											
2	150											
3	100											
4	70											
5	50											
ZERO	0						N/A				N/A	

AMBIENT ANALYZER			STATION REFERENCE		
Mean ABS % Diff			Mean ABS % Diff		
Max ABS % Diff			Max ABS % Diff		
Slope			Slope		
Y-Intercept			Y-Intercept		
Correlation			Correlation		

Analog Test	Analyzer DAS	Reference DAS
Zero		
Full Scale		

Line Loss Test	Analyzer Display	%	P/F
Span (site tubing)			
Span (bypass tubing)			

NOTES:	

Appendix A.2- Standard Operating Procedure For Performance Evaluations of Gaseous Analyzers

Wyoming
Department of Environmental Quality –
Air Quality Division

Standard Operating Procedure

For Performance Evaluations of Gaseous Analyzers

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Revision 3.0

1.0 Scope and Applicability

This SOP applies to the quality assurance activities involving the performance evaluations of gaseous analyzers within the WDEQ-AQD air quality monitoring network. Performance evaluations are required by 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix A for comparison to the NAAQS. They must be completed annually at a minimum. This SOP details the procedures WDEQ-AQD will take to prepare and perform the performance evaluations in the field. Occasionally, the WDEQ-AQD may contract out the performance evaluations. If this is the case, the Contractor may have their own SOP to follow. This SOP does not pertain to the National Performance Audit Program (NPAP) or Through the Probe (TTP) audits.

1.1 Introduction

Performance evaluations are performed with independent equipment and personnel from data generation. For WDEQ-AQD, the QA Coordinator or designated Contractor will travel to the site location with independent equipment to perform the audit. The audit is performed by using a certified gas cylinder independent from the site, an independent source of zero air, and an independent gas calibration system with a certified ozone photometer.

It is a requirement for comparison to the NAAQS, that the criteria pollutant analyzers are audited annually at a minimum and quarterly at NCore locations.

2.0 Summary of Method

This method is for use for auditing WDEQ-AQD gaseous analyzers. The parameters to be audited include ozone, sulfur dioxide, carbon monoxide, nitrogen dioxide, and hydrocarbons. Audits will be performed quarterly or semi-annually depending on the station.

2.1 Definitions

The following terms that are used throughout this document are defined here:

- **NIST:** This acronym refers to the National Institute of Standards and Technology. This is a laboratory in Washington D.C. that creates standards for instruments and materials for government and non-governmental entities and also cooperates with other countries to create international standards. This is performed so that a value of one thing in data collected anywhere in the world or U.S. is comparable to the same information collected somewhere else.
- **NIST Traceability:** This term refers to a “transfer” of a standard or technique that allows the known standardization of one material or instrument to another. For example with sulfur dioxide, this is done by using sulfur dioxide gas that has been tested by a NIST traceable instrument and then placed into a compressed gas aluminum cylinder. In addition, the flow rates of the mass flow calibration (MFC) unit is also calibrated using NIST traceable flow devices, so that the operator in the field will know the level of gas that is being delivered within a known level of confidence. All gaseous analyzers within the WDEQ-AQD network are NIST traceable.
- **Mass Flow Controlled Calibration Unit:** The MFC is an instrument that can precisely control the flow of gases with its mixing chamber. Most MFC can have several high pressure gas cylinders attached to it and be able to blend those gases with purified air in ratios as low as 1000 to 1. In this way, only small amounts of sulfur dioxide are used and blended with large quantities of zero air to get concentrations in the ranges of the instruments. This is a very cost effective way to calibrate the instruments over a long period of time.

3.0 Health and Safety Warnings

The following health and safety warning must be followed in order for safe operation of the instrument.

- Analyzers generally operate using 110 VAC current. Therefore, if troubleshooting, be extremely cautious against electric shock. This can both harm a person and possibly harm the instrument.
- SO_2 and O_3 analyzers use a pulsed Ultraviolet (UV) lamp within the optics portion of the instrument. Do not look directly at the lamp if it is lit. The UV can burn your retinas and cause blindness.
- When generating any gas, be sure to ventilate the area thoroughly. NIST traceable gas cylinders are often blended with gases, such as sulfur dioxide (SO_2), carbon monoxide (CO), nitric oxide (NO), nitric oxides (NO_X), methane (CH_4), and/or Propane (C_3H_8). If possible, vent all excess calibration gas outside and avoid breathing it if possible. SO_2, CO and NO can be hazardous and damage lung tissues.
- Always use a third ground wire on all instruments.
- Always unplug the analyzer when servicing or replacing parts
- If it is mandatory to work inside an analyzer while it is in operation, use extreme caution to avoid contact with high voltages inside the analyzer. The analyzer has high voltages in certain parts of the circuitry, including a 110 volt AC power supply that drives the UV lamp voltage. Refer to the manufacturer's instruction manual and know the precise locations of these components before working on the instrument.
- Avoid electrical contact with jewelry. Remove rings, watches, bracelets, and necklaces to prevent electrical burns.

4.0 Cautions

- The photomultiplier tube (PMT) within the instrument is very fragile. Use extreme caution when handling the PMT.
- Keep the interior of the audit equipment clean.
- Inspect the tubing within the instruments regularly for structural integrity.
- To prevent major problems with leaks, make sure that all sampling lines are reconnected after required checks and before leaving the site.

4.1 Interferences

The audit criteria for each point takes into account the use of independent equipment and any possible interferences.

5.0 Personal Qualifications

It is the responsibility of WDEQ-AQD or the Contractor to train their auditing staff on instrument operation and maintenance. It is a requirement of the WDEQ-AQD to train their staff and keep records of all training that is performed. Although the analyzers are self-contained, computer operated instrument, there is a level of knowledge of electronics and know-how involved in the operation and maintenance of the instrument. The instrument manual is the best training tool for this.

6.0 Equipment

The following supplies are required for the operation of this instrument:

- **Level 2 Ozone Photometer (Teledyne 400E Ozone Analyzer):** This unit is certified by the EPA annually and is used to certify the level 3 ozone photometer for field audits.
- **Dilution Calibrator/Level 3 Ozone Photometer (Teledyne 700EU Dynamic Dilution Calibrator):** These units use MFCs to blend and dilute gases precisely and allow the user to challenge the analyzers with gas concentrations of known quantity and accuracy. The unit also has the capability of generating known concentrations of ozone and allows the user to challenge the ozone analyzer and NO_2 analyzer.
- **NIST traceable gas cylinder:** Numerous vendors can provide stable, NIST traceable blended gas (SO_2, CO, NO, NO_X, CH_4 and/or C_3H_8) cylinders with concentrations that are periodically verified by the vendor.
- **Zero Air Generator (Teledyne 701 Zero Gas Generator):** Zero air is required for the calibration of sulfur dioxide instruments. This air must be free of ozone, NO, NO_2, and SO_2 to 0.001 ppm and CO and non-methane hydrocarbons to 0.1 ppm or below the instrument's detection limit (whichever is lower). They must also be free of water vapor and particulates.
- **BIOS Defender Flow Meter:** NIST traceable standards used to calibrate the MFCs located in the calibrator.
- **Tubing and Fittings**: Teflon is an inert material that is used exclusively throughout the system. All fittings and ferrules must also be made of PFA or PTFE Teflon.

6.1 Inspection/Acceptance of Supplies and Consumables

Spare parts will be purchased only from the instrumentation manufacturer by the QA Coordinator. Parts will be inspected by the QA Coordinator for shipping damage upon receipt. Spare parts will be kept in the WDEQ-AQD workshop for use when needed.

The gaseous analyzers, the multi-gas calibrator, gas cylinders and zero-air system use inlet filters, Purafil, charcoal. These supplies do not require acceptance testing. The Purafil and charcoal are replaced yearly or more frequently, as needed.

7.0 Quality Assurance Procedures

Performance evaluations are required to be performed at a minimum of annually for SLAMS/SPMS and quarterly for NCore sites. The WDEQ-AQD will perform performance evaluations within the network semi-annually for SLAMS/SPMS locations and quarterly for the Cheyenne NCore and Boulder locations.

The performance evaluations are made by challenging the gaseous analyzers with audit gas standards of known concentrations from a minimum of three audit levels. The audit levels are listed in **Table 1**. The audit points chosen should reflect the following as stated in 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix A 3.1.2.1:

1. One point much be within 2-3 times of the method detection limit of the instruments within the PQAO network (Note: This will be limited by the starting gas concentration and the limitations of the MFCs within the calibrator).
2. The second point will be less than or equal to the 99^{th} percentile of the data at the site or network of sites in the PQAO or the next highest audit concentration level.
3. The third point can be around the primary NAAQS or the highest 3-year concentration at the site or network of sites in the PQAO.

Passing criteria for audits are based on the gas and audit level.

- O_3, SO_2, NO_2: Audit levels 3-10 → 15.1%; Audit levels 1-2 →1.5 ppb or 15.1%, whichever is greater
- CO: Audit levels 3-10 → 15.1%; Audit levels 1-2 → 0.031 ppm or 15.1%, whichever is greater
- NO, NO_X, NO_Y, NO_Y-NO, CH_4, NMHC, THC: No audit criteria, however a good target is within 15.1%.

Table 1. Audit levels listed in 40 CFR Part 58 Appendix A

Audit Level	Concentration Range (ppm)			
	O_3	NO_2	SO_2	CO
1	0.004 - 0.0059	0.0003 - 0.0029	0.0003 - 0.0029	0.020 - 0.059
2	0.006 - 0.019	0.0030 - 0.0049	0.0030 - 0.0049	0.060 - 0.199
3	0.020 - 0.039	0.0050 - 0.0079	0.0050 - 0.0079	0.200 - 0.899
4	0.040 - 0.069	0.0080 - 0.0199	0.0080 - 0.0199	0.900 - 2.999
5	0.070 - 0.089	0.0200 - 0.0499	0.0200 - 0.0499	3.000 - 7.999
6	0.090 - 0.119	0.0500 - 0.0999	0.0500 - 0.0999	8.000 - 15.999
7	0.120 - 0.139	0.1000 - 0.2999	0.1000 - 0.1499	16.000 - 30.999
8	0.140 - 0.169	0.3000 - 0.4999	0.1500 - 0.2599	31.000 - 39.999
9	0.170 - 0.189	0.5000 - 0.7999	0.2600 - 0.7999	40.000 - 49.999
10	0.190 - 0.259	0.8000 - 1.000	0.8000 - 1.000	50.000 - 60.000

7.1 Instrument Setup and Calibrations prior to Performance Evaluations

The dilution calibrator, which is used in field audits, contains mass flow controllers, an ozone photometer and an ozone generator. It is critical for the performance evaluations that work be done to calibrator and verify the dilution calibrator prior to entering the field.

7.1.1 Equipment Setup in WDEQ-AQD Workshop

WDEQ-AQD has a workshop space to perform the activities needed in preparation for field audits. At this site, the zero air generator, level 2 ozone photometer and dilution calibrator are set up on a stand. Using the following set up to ensure equipment is connected properly.

1. Place all instruments on rack in workshop
2. Connect dilution calibrator to the level 2 ozone photometer using one of the ports labeled CAL OUT on the dilution calibrator and the SAMPLE port on the level 2 ozone photometer. See **Figure 1** and **Figure 2**.
3. Connect the zero air generator to the dilution calibrator and level 2 ozone photometer using a T.
    a. The port on the dilution calibrator is labeled DILUENT IN. See **Figure 2**.
    b. The port on the level 2 ozone photometer is labeled ZERO AIR DRY AIR.
        i. Using a T with a vent, connect a rotometer to make sure excess air is supplied to the analyzer. This can be adjusted once analyzer is properly warmed up.
    c. Finger tighten the fitting and then use a properly sized wrench to make an additional 1 and ¼ turn.
4. Attach a line to vent the dilution calibrator with the minimum O.D. being 3/8 inch.
5. Plug in all three instruments and turn on the Dilution Calibrator and Zero Air Generator. Let them warm up for a minimum of 1 hour.
    a. DO NOT turn on the Level 2 Ozone Photometer until the Dilution Calibrator is generating ozone or 0.0 ppb ozone.

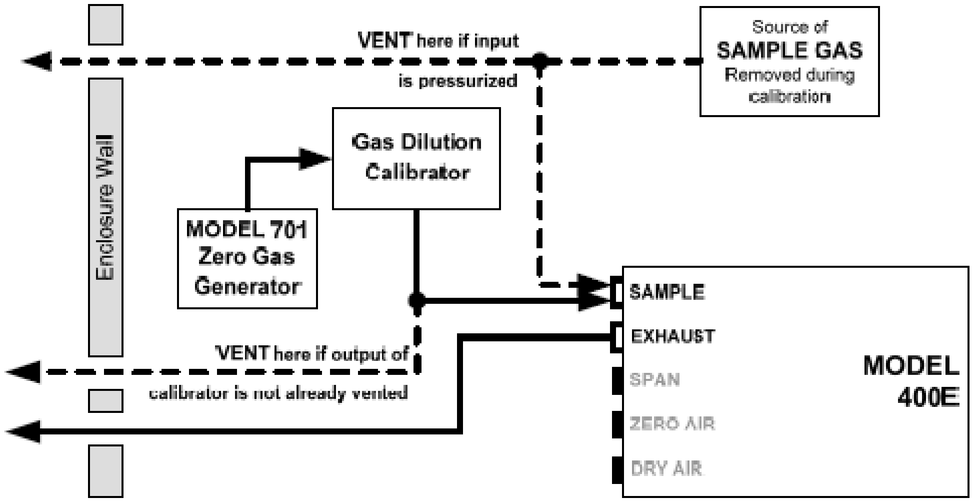

Figure 1. Connections with level 2 ozone photometer

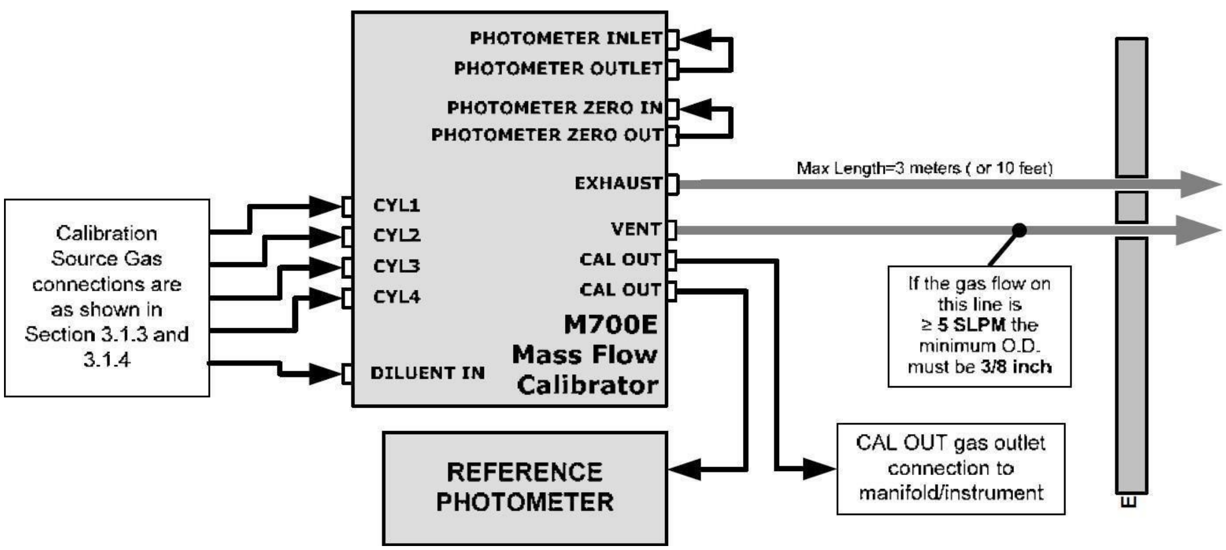

Figure 2. Connections with dilution calibrator

7.1.2 Calibrating MFCs in Calibrator

According to the instrument manual for the dilution calibrator, the MFCs should be verified periodically and calibrated if necessary. By verifying, and adjusting when necessary, the MFCs, the auditor can be confident that the concentrations of gas delivered to the analyzer are accurate. The MFCs should be verified at a minimum of every 6 months, but ideally quarterly.

1. The BIOS flow meters are required for this procedure.
    a. To setup the BIOS after recertification
        i. Setup➔Reading➔Type:STD➔Exit
        ii. Units➔SL/min flow in and Std T: 25C➔Confirm to save
        iii. Preferences➔Read default Burst => 10 readings average
2. Open the front panel to the dilution calibrator to access the MFC output ports
3. Attach the proper BIOS flow meter directly to the output port of the MFC to be checked. **See Figure 3**.
    a. Note that the Diluent MFC will use the BIOS 220H model and the Cal Gas MFCs will use the BIOS 220L model.

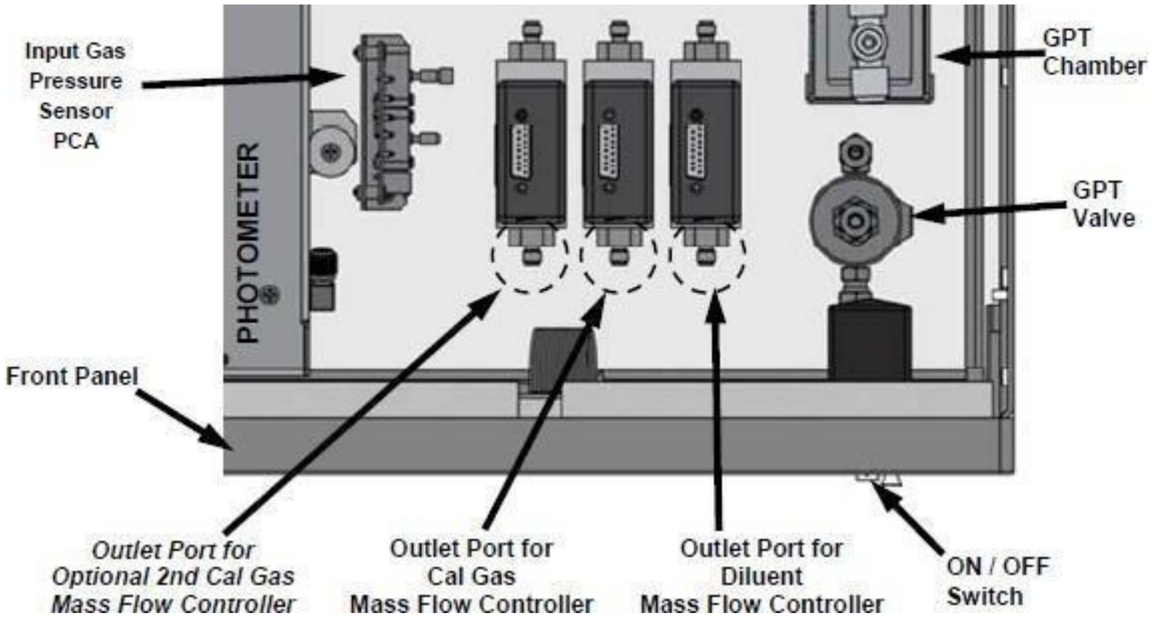

Figure 3. Diagram of mass flow controllers within a dilution calibrator

4. Turn on the BIOS flow meter
5. Perform the following steps to verify and/or calibrate the MFCS
    a. Make sure Calibrator is in standby mode. If it is not, put into standby with **STBY** key.
    b. ➔ **SETUP** to access the **PRIMARY SETUP MENU**
    c. ➔ **MORE** to access the **SECONDARY SETUP MENU**
    d. ➔**DIAG**➔**ENTER PASSWORD 929**➔**ENTR** will bring up **SIGNAL I/O** submenu
    e. ➔**NEXT** (continue pressing NEXT) to access the **MFC CONFIGURATION** submenu
    f. ➔**ENTR** This will bring up the first MFC, DIL1 (other options are CAL1 or CAL2). Select the MFC desired by using the **<SET SET>** keys.
    g. ➔**EDIT**➔**SET>** until **DIL1 Table** is shown This will bring up the table for the MFC selected
        i. If the MFC is **OFF**, press **OFF** to turn the key to **ON**
    h. Enter the **DRV** and **FLW** for the calibration point on the MFC Verification and Calibration Form.
    i. On BIOS: press Start to begin the Burst readings and wait until the readings are completed. Record the flow on the MFC Verification and Calibration Form.
        i. When doing CAL2 this may take a while, it is not necessary to wait for all 10 reading for the really low flow points if the readings are very close together.
    j. If the average flow from the BIOS is within 2% of the value on the calibrator, no adjustment is needed. If the average flow from the BIOS differs by more than 2% use the following steps to make the adjustment.
        i. ➔**Flow**➔Toggle keys to match the average flow from the BIOS➔**ENTR** to save
    k. ➔**NEXT** will move to next calibration point
    l. Repeat steps h-k for all 20 points for the MFC
    m. Once all points have been verified and necessary adjustments made ➔**EXIT**➔**SAVE CHANGES?**➔**YES**
    n. Disconnect BIOS flow meter from MFC and proceed to connect to next MFC.
        i. Note that the Diluent MFC will use the BIOS 220H model and the Cal Gas MFCs will use the BIOS 220L model.
    o. Repeat steps f-n for the other MFCs
        i. Note gas source must be connected to CYL1 port for gas MFCs to work.

7.1.3 Verification and Reverification of the Level 3 Ozone Field Transfer Standard

The Ozone Level 3 Field Transfer Standard is required to be verified at a minimum of every 6 months. Due to the drift that can occur in the transport to and from the field, verifications can be performed more often or done quarterly. The verification and reverifications must be made against an Ozone Level 2 Bench Transfer Standard (which must have a current verification to an Ozone Level 1 Standard Reference Photometer (SRP)). The verification and reverifications will result in a linear regression relationship of the Level 3 Transfer Standard to the Level 2 Transfer Standard. This procedure is based off of the Ozone TAD document.

1. Follow section 7.1.1 of this SOP to set up equipment.
2. While equipment is warming up, review all preventive maintenance documentation for the Level 3 Field Transfer Standard/Dilution Calibrator.
3. After performing preventive maintenance to the Level 3 Field Transfer Standard/Dilution Calibrator, start generating 0.0 ppb ozone. Once generating ozone, turn on the Level 2 Transfer Standard and let warm up for ~1 hour.
    a. On the Dilution Calibrator
        i. **➔GEN➔AUTO➔press gas key until O3**
            1. Enter 0.0 ppb O3
            2. Enter Flow Rate (ie. 7.000 LPM, use the same flow rate every verification/reverification)
4. If performing a reverification, review the previous verification data, verification history, as-left internal calibration factors from the verification, and the current internal calibration factors.
    a. If the internal calibration factors have changed, determine why they have changed and if the transfer standard has been used subsequently. Changing the internal calibration factors in a transfer standard voids the previous verification.
5. Once the equipment (Level 3 Transfer Standard/Dilution Calibrator) is warmed up, perform acceptance testing and fill out the Acceptance Testing Form.
    a. Acceptance testing is required upon receiving a transfer standard and prior to verifications and reverifications.
    b. This is done to ensure the transfer standard is operating within the manufacturer's specifications.
    c. Acceptance testing should include:
        i. Documentation of testing date, time, operator, instrument make/model/serial number (SN);
        ii. Documentation ensuring routine maintenance required by the instrument manual has been performed;
        iii. Direct comparison of sensors impacting the measurement (i.e., sample pressure, sample temperature, analog outputs) if recommended by the instrument manual or if sensor adjustment is required;
        iv. Documentation of diagnostic parameters in the instruments' menu system and comparison to the manufacturer's specifications (i.e., sample pressure, sample temperature, flow);
        v. Review and verify that all acceptance test data are within acceptable limits.
6. Begin by filling out the Ozone Verification/Reverification Form. This form is from the EPA and will be utilized for the verification and reverification process.
7. Determine the calibration scale and verification points:
    a. Take the previous 3 years of 1-hour values for all WDEQ-AQD sites. Determine the highest value.
        i. EXAMPLE: For the year 2021, the highest value was 0.129 ppm and occurred at the Boulder Station in 2019.

   b. Multiple the highest value by 1.5 to establish the calibration scale. If the highest point is below the NAAQS, use 1.5 times the controlling NAAQS.
      i. The highest point used for the Level 3 Transfer Standard must be less than the highest point used in the Verification/Reverification of the Level 2 Transfer Standard.
      ii. EXAMPLE: Taking the number above (0.129 ppm) * 1.5 = 0.1935 ppm. To simplify calculations, the high end point will be 0.200 ppm.
   c. Five additional points will be evenly spaced out between the calibration scale point and zero, for a total of 6 verification points and a zero.
      i. EXAMPLE: An acceptable 6 verification points using the above calculation could be 0.200, 0.160, 0.120, 0.090, 0.060, 0.030, 0.000 ppm

8. For a Verification: Run at least 3 complete cycles consisting of a minimum of 6 concentration points and a zero. See above Step 6 for determining the concentration points. See Step 10 for how to run points on the transfer standard.
9. For a Reverification: Run one cycle consisting of a minimum of 6 concentration points and a zero. See above step 6 for determining the concentration points. See Step 10 for how to run points on the transfer standard.
10. Steps to run a concentration point on the Level 3 Transfer Standard:
    a. Make sure that the dilution calibrator is in **STANDBY** mode or press **STBY**
    b. ➔**GEN**➔**AUTO**➔**ZERO** toggle this key to scroll through the available gas types (as programed during initial set up, See Section 7.2.1 if no gas types are programmed) and continue until **O3** is selected.
    c. Toggle keys to set target concentration and unit. See steps for determining the concentrations to run.
    d. ➔**ENTR**➔Set **TOTAL FLOW**
       i. 7.0 LPM is a good starting point for the flow rate. If an MFC warning appears, the flow rate should be adjusted.
    e. ➔**<SET** press this key until the **ACT** test function is displayed
    f. Wait a minimum of 10 minutes or until the **ACT** reading settles down
    g. Record the readings for the O_3 concentration readings displayed by the **ACT** test function and the level 2 ozone transfer standard.
       i. 10 points can be recorded and averaged for each concentration point, but this has to be done outside of the Ozone Verification/Reverification Form from the EPA.
    h. Repeat this procedure for the concentration points determined in Step 6 and the number of cycles necessary for a verification or reverification.
    i. The Ozone Verification/Reverification Form will perform all the necessary calculations.
11. After cycle/cycles are completed, review the data and verify that the meet the following acceptance criteria:
    a. Each point difference must be <±3.1% or 1.5 ppb for concentrations below 50 ppb.
    b. All Regression Slopes must be 1.00 ± 0.03
    c. All Regression Intercepts must be 0 ± 3 ppb
    d. Standard Deviation of the 3 Slopes must be <±0.0075
    e. Standard Deviation of the Intercepts must be <±1.00ppb
    f. For a Verification: The three cycles regression slopes and intercepts are used to generate the 95% predication interval specific to that standard. The standard specific prediction intervals are used when assessing the results of a reverification.
    g. For a Reverification: The regression slope and intercept must fall within the transfer standards specific 95% prediction interval determined by the most recent 3 cycles (not updated with current cycle until acceptance criteria is met).
       i. If the results pass all criteria and are within the 95% predication interval, then

the transfer standard passes the reverification.

1. A new prediction interval is calculated using the most recent 3 cycles. The updated prediction intervals are used as the prediction interval acceptance criteria when assessing the results of the next reverification.

ii. If the results are outside of the 95% prediction interval, then the transfer standard must be assessed to determine what caused a shift in the results and a new verification must be performed if the investigation requires repair or adjustment of internal calibration factors.

12. Ensure that all documentation is complete and all records are saved to the appropriate location. Place a summary report on the verified transfer standard which includes:
    a. Date of verification
    b. Date of verification expiration
    c. Name of person conducting the verification
    d. Make/model/SN
    e. Current internal calibration factors
    f. Dates/slopes/intercepts of the original verification cycles
    g. Average slope and intercept
13. The linear regression slope and intercept will be used to correct ozone concentrations when performing a performance evaluation.

7.2 Field Audits

Field audits are performed by bringing an independent zero air source/generator, dilution calibrator, and gas cylinder to the field site. Three audit points and a zero point must be run for each analyzer. This information confirms that the site equipment is operating properly. If an analyzer fails the audit, a corrective action must be issued and resolved and the analyzer must be audited after.

7.2.1 Equipment Setup

Prior to running any audit points, all of the equipment must be set up, turned on and warmed up.

1. Connect the audit zero air generator to the audit dilution calibrator using the port labeled DILUENT IN. See **Figure 2**.
    a. Finger tighten the fitting and then use a properly sized wrench to make an additional 1 and ¼ turn.
2. Plug both the audit zero air generator and audit dilution calibrator into a power source. Turn both on and let warm up for approximately 1 hour (or until the box temperature of the dilution calibrator is above 20 °C at a minimum).
3. Set up and purge gas cylinder
    a. The gas regulator may be already installed on the cylinder and a DOT cylinder cap can be used for transport of the cylinder with the regulator installed. If not installed, install the regulator on the gas cylinder.
    b. Attach a stainless steel line to the gas regulator.
    c. Purge the gas cylinder approximately 10 times. This is really important for gas cylinders with NO in them.
        i. Make sure the outlet valve on the regulator is closed
        ii. Open the tank valve to pressurize
        iii. Close the tank valve
        iv. Slowly open the outlet valve on the regulator and watch the pressure gauges drop to zero. Right before the second pressure gauge hits zero, close the outlet valve.
        v. Repeat 7-10 times
    d. Attach gas cylinder to audit dilution calibrator using the port labeled CYL1. See **Figure 2**. Allow gas to slowly run through stainless steel line while attaching. Once attached, open valve on regulator to let ~30 psi of gas to the calibrator

   e. Program in the gas cylinder for the audit dilution calibrator. Note, if this step is previously done, you don't need to repeat it. The instrument will store the gas cylinder information.
      i. **➔SETUP➔GAS➔CYL➔PRT1**
         1. Use **NEXT** or **ADD GAS** keys
         2. Enter in cylinder contents
      ii. This will allow for the dilution calibrator to make the correct dilutions of cylinder gas and zero air.
4. Once equipment is set up and warmed up, use the data logger to flag the required channels
   a. Most of the time the O_3/SO_2/CO/NO/NO_X/NO_2/CH_4/NMHC/THC sample lines T together to have one tube for the inlet to the site dilution calibrator. These channels all have to be flagged at the same time for the audit. This goes for any site where sample lines T together.
   b. The NO/NO_Y analyzer will be separate and will be flagged only when auditing.
5. Detach the CAL OUT or OUTPUT A line from the site dilution calibrator and attach it to the audit calibrator. Now the flow of audit gas goes from the gas cylinder through the audit dilution calibrator to the site analyzers and is then vented out the site analyzer.
   a. There are other possible ways to connect to the site analyzers, just ensure that there is a vent on the system or the audit system. There should only be one vent, but there has to be a vent.
6. Determine the total flow required by the system.
   a. Add the gas flow requirements for each of the analyzers in the system.
      i. This can be found using the **<TST TST>** keys on the front of the Teledyne analyzers and scrolling.
      ii. Take into account the 800 cc/min for the ozone photometer for the audit dilution calibrator
   b. Multiply by 1.5
   c. Using this calculation will ensure that more than enough gas is being supplied to each analyzer.
   d. For all WDEQ-AQD sites, 7.0-7.5 LPM should be sufficient.
7. Check the diluent pressure on the audit dilution calibrator by using the **<TST TST>** keys to scroll until DIL PRESSURE appears. This pressure should be around 30 psi or the zero air will need to be adjusted. Start low on the pressure and slowly increase, if the pressure goes over 30 psi, you may have to bleed off the excess.
8. Check the cal gas pressure on the audit dilution calibrator by using the **<TST TST>** keys to scroll until CAL PRESSURE appears. This pressure should be around 30 psi or the gas cylinder regulator will need to be adjusted. Start low on the pressure and slowly increase, if the pressure goes over 30 psi, you may have to bleed off the excess.

7.2.2 SO_2, CO, NO_x, Total Hydrocarbons (THC) Analyzers Audit

The SO_2, CO, NO/NO_X and THC analyzers should be all in line together and connected to the site dilution calibrator with one line. If they are not in this configuration, then they will have to be audited separately.

1. Using **Table 1** and historic data, determine the audit points desired for each analyzer. All analyzers can be audited simultaneously with proper planning and the proper mixed gas cylinder.
2. Zero air audit point: This can be performed for O_3 as well if following these steps
   a. **➔GEN➔AUTO➔Press gas key until ZERO**
   b. **➔ENTER➔FLOW RATE**
      i. See above 7.2.1 step 6 for determining the proper flow rate for the system
   c. **➔ENTER**

            i. The system should now be generating zero air
    d. Let point stabilize for 10-15 minutes or until readings are stable.
    e. Record zero air point on all audit forms.
3. Start with the span/high point for NO_X. This will not be used for the NO_2 audit, but is helpful to know if there are any issues prior to the audit and also allows for higher points of other gases to be generated for the other analyzers' audits (Only one gas has to be set, the analyzer will dilute based on the gas set and the other gas points can be calculated based on the dilution).
    a. EXAMPLE: if the range of the NO_X analyzer is 200.0 ppb.
        i. Set NO to 200.0 ppb
        ii. This point can be discretionary based on the points needed for the other analyzers to be audited.
    b. Enter the desired gas amount following these steps:
        i. **➔GEN➔AUTO➔press gas key until NO (or desired gas)**
            1. Enter concentration for gas selected
        ii. **➔ENTER➔FLOW RATE**
            1. See above 7.2.1 step 6 for determining the proper flow rate for the system
        iii. **➔ENTER**
    c. Record the DIL, GAS and DAS values for all gases.
        i. The DIL and GAS values will be used to calculate the actual amount for each gas that was generated, based off of the starting concentration of the gas cylinder.
        ii. The DAS values will be compared to the actual amount for each gas.
4. Repeat step 2 above after running the NO_X span/high point.
5. Perform at least 3 non-zero audit points and try to hit the requirements for each analyzer. This may require more than 3 audit points.
    a. One point much be within 2-3 times of the method detection limit of the instruments within the PQAO network (Note: This will be limited by the starting gas concentration and the limitations of the MFCs within the calibrator).
    b. The second point will be less than or equal to the 99^{th} percentile of the data at the site or network of sites in the PQAO or the next highest audit concentration level.
    c. The third point can be around the primary NAAQS or the highest 3-year concentration at the site or network of sites in the PQAO.
6. To perform the NO_2 audit, GTPZ and GPT points will be run. Additional gases can be audited simultaneously to the GPTZ points.
    a. Run the first GPTZ (Gas Phase Titration Zero) point
        i. **➔GEN➔AUTO➔GPTZ**
            1. Enter the desired NO concentration (ie. 120 ppb)
            2. Enter the desired O3 concentration (ie. 60 ppb)
            3. Enter the desired flow rate (ie. 7.000 LPM)
        ii. This will generate a GPTZ point, which runs like a GPT point without generating ozone.
        iii. Wait for all gases to stabilize (~10-15 minutes) and record the DIL, GAS, O3FLOW, and DAS values for all gases you wish to audit (ie. You can record SO_2, CO, CH_4, NMHC and THC values at this point). At a minimum you will need to record the NO, NO_2, and NO_X values.
    b. Run the first GPT (Gas Phase Titration) point
        i. **➔GEN➔AUTO➔GPT**
            1. These values will be the same as the GPTZ point previously run
            2. Enter the desired NO concentration (ie. 120 ppb)
            3. Enter the desired O3 concentration (ie. 60 ppb)
            4. Enter the desired flow rate (ie. 7.000 LPM)

   ii. Wait for all gases to stabilize (~10-15 minutes) and record the DIL, GAS, O3FLOW, O3DRIVE and DAS values for NO, NO_2, and NO_X.
   iii. The audit spreadsheet will perform all calculations.
  c. Repeat the above steps a and b for additional NO, NO2 and NOX points (ie. 50 ppb NO/20 ppb O_3 and 10 ppb NO/3 ppb O_3).
7. If other gas analyzers need additional points, follow step 3 above.

7.2.3 O_3 Analyzer Audit

The Ozone analyzer must be audited separately because O_3 gas is not stable enough to be stored in gas cylinders and must be generated at the time of the audit. The dilution calibrator will generate a known amount of ozone, which is known from the internal photometer and that gas is transferred to the site ozone analyzer. Since no additional gas is needed, the ozone generator and photometer within the dilution calibrator can be run simultaneously.

1. See Section 7.2.2, Step 2 for the zero point.
2. Prior to running O_3 audit points, it is a good idea to run the back pressure compensation.
   a. **➔SETUP➔MORE➔DIAG➔BACK PRESSURE COMPENSATION➔ENTER**
3. Begin with an ozone zero point.
   a. This is done by generating 0.0 ppb ozone.
      i. **➔GEN➔AUTO➔press gas key until O3**
         1. Enter 0.0 ppb O3
         2. Enter Flow Rate (ie. 7.000 LPM)
      ii. Let the point stabilize for ~10-15 minutes and then record the dilution calibrator value and the DAS value. The calibrator value will be corrected using the slope and intercept from the level 3 transfer standard ozone verification/reverification.
4. Next start with running the highest ozone audit point. This will in a way condition the system and provide the best results for the lower ozone audit points. To determine the audit points, use the following guidance:
   a. One point much be within 2-3 times of the method detection limit of the instruments within the PQAO network (Note: This will be limited by the starting gas concentration and the limitations of the MFCs within the calibrator).
      i. For the Teledyne 400E analyzers, the lower detectable limit is 0.6 ppb. Three times this would be 1.8 ppb. The Teledyne 700EU dilution calibrator has difficulty with accuracy generating ozone below 3 ppb. This point will be set around 15.0 ppb or 0.015 ppm.
   b. The second point will be less than or equal to the 99^{th} percentile of the data at the site or network of sites in the PQAO or the next highest audit concentration level.
      i. Historic data shows ozone values for the 1 hour max and 8 hour max.
         1. EXAMPLE: The greatest 8 hour max from the last 10 years was 0.123 ppm at the Boulder site. The greatest 1 hour max from the last 10 years was 0.165 ppm at the Boulder site. The point chosen for this level could be 0.125 ppm.
      ii. If the auditor choses, this point can vary for sites depending on historical data.
   c. The third point can be around the primary NAAQS or the highest 3-year concentration at the site or network of sites in the PQAO.
      i. This point will be around 0.075 ppm for all sites. The NAAQS is 0.070 ppm, however that is on the edge of an audit level. To ensure the point is always within the same audit level, the point run will be 0.075 ppm.
5. To set the ozone points on the dilution calibrator follow these steps:
   a. **➔GEN➔AUTO➔ZERO➔press key until O3**
      i. Enter concentration for ozone

b. ➔**ENTER**➔**FLOW RATE**
   i. See above 7.2.1 step 6 for determining the proper flow rate for the system
c. ➔**ENTER**
   i. The system should now be out of standby mode
d. Let point stabilize for ~10-15 minutes and record required information on the Ozone Audit Form.

7.2.4 NO/NO_Y Analyzer Audit

The NO/NO_Y analyzer uses a different sample line than the NO/NO_X analyzer. Thus the same procedure to audit will need to be performed. The NO/NO_Y procedure is the same as section 7.2.2. The NO_X audit form can be modified for NO_Y analyzers, the calculation are all the same.

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APPENDIX A

MFC Verification and Calibration Form

MFC Calibration

Date 8/13/2021

MFC 1 Air - 220H SN 133698				
Drive	Current	Bios	% Difference	Changed Value
250			#DIV/0!	
500			#DIV/0!	
750			#DIV/0!	
1000			#DIV/0!	
1250			#DIV/0!	
1500			#DIV/0!	
1750			#DIV/0!	
2000			#DIV/0!	
2250			#DIV/0!	
2500			#DIV/0!	
2750			#DIV/0!	
3000			#DIV/0!	
3250			#DIV/0!	
3500			#DIV/0!	
3750			#DIV/0!	
4000			#DIV/0!	
4250			#DIV/0!	
4500			#DIV/0!	
4750			#DIV/0!	
5000			#DIV/0!	

MFC 2 Gas - 220L SN 132705				
Drive	Current	Bios	% Difference	Changed Value
250			#DIV/0!	
500			#DIV/0!	
750			#DIV/0!	
1000			#DIV/0!	
1250			#DIV/0!	
1500			#DIV/0!	
1750			#DIV/0!	
2000			#DIV/0!	
2250			#DIV/0!	
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4250			#DIV/0!	
4500			#DIV/0!	
4750			#DIV/0!	
5000			#DIV/0!	

MFC 3 Gas - 220L SN 132705				
Drive	Current	Bios	% Difference	Changed Value
250			#DIV/0!	
500			#DIV/0!	
750			#DIV/0!	
1000			#DIV/0!	
1250			#DIV/0!	
1500			#DIV/0!	
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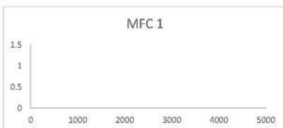
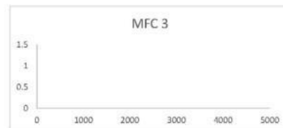




Acceptance Testing Form for Level 3 Transfer Standard

Ozone Transfer Standard Acceptance Testing Form

Operator	
Organization	
Instrument Make	Teledyne
Instrument Model	T700
Instrument SN	
Date Preventive Maintenance Performed	
Transfer Standard Role	Level 3 Field

Parameters	Prior to Transport	As Found	As Left	Manufacturer Specifications	Displayed As
Date					
Time					
Lab Temperature					
Lab Standard Pressure					
Cal Pressure				25-35 PSIG	CAL PRESSURE
Dilution Pressure				25-35 PSIG	DIL PRESSURE
Regulator Pressure				20 ± 1.0 PSIG	REG PRESSURE
Photo Slope				1 ± 0.03	PHOTO SLOPE
Photo Offset				0 ± 3 ppb	PHOTO OFFSET
Sample Pressure				24-30 In-Hg-A	PHOTO SPRESS
Sample Temperature				28-45 °C	PHOTO STEMP
Photometer Measure				4400-4600 mV	PHOTOMEAS
Photometer Reference				4400-4600 mV	PHOTOREF
Photometer Flow				0.720-0.880 LPM	PHOTO FLOW
Photometer Lamp Temp				58 ± 0.5 °C	PHOTO LAMP TEMP
Dark Offset				0 ± 20 mV	DARK OFFSET
Box Temp				8-48 °C	BOX TEMP
O3 Gen Ref				25-600 mV	O3GENREF
O3 Flow				0.100-0.200 LPM	O3GENFLOW
O3 Gen Drive				800 mV	O3GENDRIVE
O3 Lamp Temp				48 ± 0.5 °C	O3GENTEMP

Comments	

Acceptance Testing is required after a new transfer standard is received from the manufacturer, prior to verification or reverification of a transfer standard, when a transfer standard is shipped, or when a device requires repair. Should follow preventive maintenance.

Example Ozone Verification Form (see EPA's Ozone Verification Spreadsheet)

O3 Transfer Standard Verification Data Form

Institute Conducting Verification:	WDEQ-AQD
Operator:	Shelby Watkins
Cycle 3 Date:	9/10/2021
Naming Convention	WDEQ Ozone Verification

Transfer Standard of Higher Authority

Transfer Standard Role:	Level 2 Bench
Make:	Teledyne
Model:	T400
Serial Number:	3121
Verification Date:	4/26/2021

Calibration Factors

Span Setting:	1.006
Zero Setting:	0.5

Candidate Transfer Standard Information

Candidate Transfer Standard Role:	Level 3 Field
Make:	Teledyne
Model:	T700U
Serial Number:	173
Preventive Maintenance Date:	8/13/2021
Acceptance Testing Date:	8/25/2021

Calibration Factors ***(describe calibration factor changes in comments)***

	Span Setting	Zero Setting
As Found:	0.995	0.2
As Left:	0.995	0.2
Comments:		

Acceptance Criteria Checklist

Verification Results:	pass
Transfer Standard Role check:	pass
Preventive Maintenance Completed:	pass
Acceptance Testing Completed:	pass
Per Point Difference:	pass
Regression Slope Check:	pass
Regression Intercept Check:	pass
Std Deviation Slope:	pass
Std Deviation Intercept:	pass

Signature:	
Date:	

Cycle 1 Verification Data

Cycle 1 Date:	9/10/2021
Regression Slope:	0.9898
Regression Intercept:	-0.32

	Higher Level Standard	Candidate Transfer Standard		
	Teledyne T400 SN 3121	Teledyne T700U SN 173	Percent Difference	Absolute Difference
Zero:	0.0	0.0	NA	0.1
Point 1:	202.1	200.0	-1.1%	-2.2
Point 2:	161.7	159.8	-1.2%	-2.0
Point 3:	121.6	120.2	-1.2%	-1.5
Point 4:	90.8	90.0	-0.9%	-0.9
Point 5:	61.2	60.0	-1.8%	-1.1
Point 6:	30.8	30.1	-2.3%	-0.7
Point 7:			0.0%	0.0
Point 8:			0.0%	0.0
Point 9:			0.0%	0.0
Point 10:			0.0%	0.0
Zero:	0.4	-0.3	NA	-0.6

Cycle 2 Verification Data

Cycle 2 Date:	9/10/2021
Regression Slope:	0.9890
Regression Intercept:	-0.48

	Higher Level Standard	Candidate Transfer Standard		
	Teledyne T400 SN 3121	Teledyne T700U SN 173	Percent Difference	Absolute Difference
Zero:	-0.1	-0.4	NA	-0.3
Point 1:	202.1	199.6	-1.2%	-2.5
Point 2:	162.2	160.0	-1.4%	-2.2
Point 3:	121.7	120.3	-1.1%	-1.3
Point 4:	91.8	90.1	-1.9%	-1.7
Point 5:	61.1	59.8	-2.2%	-1.3
Point 6:	30.7	30.3	-1.3%	-0.4
Point 7:			0.0%	0.0
Point 8:			0.0%	0.0
Point 9:			0.0%	0.0
Point 10:			0.0%	0.0
Zero:	0.4	-0.5	NA	-0.8

Cycle 3 Verification Data

Cycle 3 Date:	9/10/2021
Regression Slope:	0.9907
Regression Intercept:	-0.57

	Higher Level Standard	Candidate Transfer Standard		
	Teledyne T400 SN 3121	Teledyne T700U SN 173	Percent Difference	Absolute Difference
Zero:	0.6	-0.4	NA	-1.0
Point 1:	202.3	199.8	-1.2%	-2.5
Point 2:	162.8	160.1	-1.6%	-2.6
Point 3:	121.8	119.8	-1.7%	-2.0
Point 4:	91.2	89.8	-1.5%	-1.4
Point 5:	61.3	60.0	-2.2%	-1.4
Point 6:	31.0	30.2	-2.8%	-0.9
Point 7:			0.0%	0.0
Point 8:			0.0%	0.0
Point 9:			0.0%	0.0
Point 10:			0.0%	0.0
Zero:	0.1	0.0	NA	-0.1

O_3 Transfer Standard Verification Summary Sheet

Candidate Transfer Standard Information

Candidate Transfer Standard Role:	Level 3 Field
Make:	Teledyne
Model:	T700U
Serial Number:	173
Current Verification Expiration Date:	3/10/2022

Regression Slope/Intercept Summary (3 Most Recent)

	Slope	Intercept
Cycle 1 (2021-09-10)	0.9898	-0.32
Cycle 2 (2021-09-10)	0.9890	-0.48
Cycle 3 (2021-09-10)	0.9907	-0.57
Average	0.9898	-0.46
PREDICTION INTERVAL UPPER	0.9917	0.1801
PREDICTION INTERVAL LOWER	0.9834	-0.4094

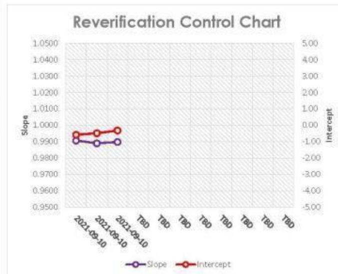
Regression Slope/Intercept History

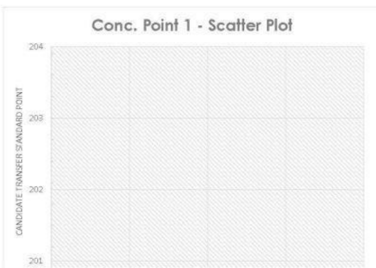
Date	Slope	Intercept
2021-09-10	0.9907	-0.57
2021-09-10	0.9890	-0.48
2021-09-10	0.9898	-0.32

Equation 10

$$Standard\ O_3Conc = \frac{1}{\bar{m}}(Indicated\ O_3Conc - \bar{b})$$

Control Charts





WDEQ-AQD Gaseous Audit Forms

WDEQ-AQD Audit Spreadsheet Setup

Date	Site name
Visit Start Time	Site Contractor
Visit End Time	Site Visit Reason
Auditor	DAS Model
Contractor Representative	DAS S/N
	Analyzers Offline
Coordinates	Analyzers Online
Latitude	Station Temperature (°C)
Longitude	

Audit Equipment	Manufacturer	Model	S/N	Certification Date
Gas Dilution System / O_3 Level 3 Transfer Standard				
O_3 Level 2 Transfer Standard				
Zero Air System				

O_3 Level 3 Transfer Standard Factors (ppm) (Slope, Intercept)		

Cylinder Company: | Cylinder Type:

Cylinder A	Cert Date	Cert Expiration	Cylinder B	Cert Date	Cert Expiration

Standard (ppm)		*BTEX Mix (ppb)*	
NO:		Benzene	
NO_X:		Ethyl Benzene	
SO_2:		M Xylene	
CO		O Xylene	
Propane:		P Xylene	
Methane:		Toluene	
Nitrogen:		Nitrogen	

Site Monitoring Equipment

Site Name | DATE

AMBIENT AIR QUALITY MONITORS ON SITE

Parameter	Manufacturer	Model	Serial No.	Range/Span
O_3				
$NO/NO_2/NO_X$				
$NO/NO_2/NO_Y$				
P-NOx				
CO				
SO_2				
BTEX				
Total Hydrocarbons				

OZONE ANALYZER AUDIT

ABBR.					
CLIENT		FIELD SPECIALIST		DATE	
SITE NAME					

AUDIT STANDARD		AMBIENT ANALYZER	
Manufacturer		Manufacturer / Model	-
Model		Serial Number	
Serial Number			
		Full Scale (ppb)	500

	SLOPE	INT
Audit Standard Correction Factors	1.0000	0.0000

AUDIT CRITERIA (<=)		
Percent Difference of each audit level (%)	15%	
OR Absolute Difference at Level 1&2 (ppb)	1.5	

		O3 LAMP	AUDIT STANDARD		AMBIENT ANALYZER					
Conc. Range (ppb)	TARGET	% or mV	Display	Corrected	DAS	Diff	%Diff	%LIN	P/F	
0	0						N/A		N/A	LEVEL
70-89	75									
40-69	55									
20-39	30									
6-19	15									

AMBIENT ANALYZER	
Slope	
Y-Intercept	
Correlation	

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NO_X ANALYZER AUDIT

ABBR.					
CLIENT		FIELD SPECIALIST		DATE	
SITE NAME					

	AMBIENT ANALYZER	AUDIT SYSTEM
Manufacturer / Model	-	
Serial Number		
		NO AUDIT GAS
		Cylinder S/N
		Expiration Date
		Cylinder Pressure
		Delivery Pressure
		Conc. NO (ppm)
		Conc. NO_X (ppm)

FULL SCALE (ppb)	500

AUDIT CRITERIA (<=)		
Percent Difference of each audit level (%)	15%	
OR Absolute Difference at Level 1&2 (ppb)	1.5	
Converter Efficiency	96%	

NO DILUTION		GAS DILUTION SYSTEM			NO		NO_2	NO_X		
Point	Target	Actual	Z-air Flow	Gas Flow	DAS	%Diff	DAS	Actual	DAS	%Diff
ZERO	0					N/A				N/A
SPAN	0									

			GAS DILUTION SYSTEM			NO			NO_2					NO_X		
Point	NO	O_3	Z-air Flow	O3 Flow	Gas Flow	Actual	DAS	%Diff	Actual	DAS	%Diff	Linearity %		Actual	DAS	%Diff
ZERO	0	0						N/A			N/A		N/A			N/A
GPTZ	70	35									N/A		N/A			
GPT	70	35				N/A								N/A		
GPTZ	30	15									N/A		N/A			
GPT	30	15				N/A								N/A		
GPTZ	15	7									N/A		N/A			
GPT	15	7				N/A								N/A		
GPTZ	10	4									N/A		N/A			
GPT	10	4				N/A								N/A		

Per 40 CFR Part 50 App F 1.5.9 &1.5.10					
$[NO_2]_{conv}$	$[NO_2]_{out}$	$[NO]_{orig}$	$[NO]_{rem}$	$[NO_x]_{orig}$	$[NO_x]_{rem}$

	NO	NO_2	NO_X
Mean ABS % Diff			
Max ABS % Diff			

Slope			
Y-Intercept			
Correlation			

Converter Efficiency		

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SULFUR DIOXIDE ANALYZER AUDIT

ABBR.					
CLIENT		FIELD SPECIALIST		DATE	
SITE NAME					

	AMBIENT ANALYZER	AUDIT SYSTEM
Manufacturer / Model	-	
Serial Number		

SO_2 AUDIT GAS	
Cylinder S/N	
Expiration Date	
Cylinder Pressure	
Delivery Pressure	
Tank Conc. (ppm)	

FULL SCALE (ppb)	500

AUDIT CRITERIA (<=)		
Percent Difference of each audit level (%)	15%	
OR Absolute Difference at Level 1&2 (ppb)	1.5	

DILUTION		GAS DILUTION SYSTEM			SO_2				
SO_2 Conc. Range (ppb)	TARGET	Actual	Z-air Flow	Gas Flow	DAS	%Diff	%LIN	P/F	
0	0					N/A		N/A	LEVEL
50.0-99.9	75								
20.0-49.9	35								
8.0-19.9	15								
3.0-4.9	4								

Slope	
Y-Intercept	
Correlation	

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CH_4 & NMHC ANALYZER AUDIT

ABBR.					
CLIENT		FIELD SPECIALIST		DATE	
SITE NAME					

	AMBIENT ANALYZER	GAS DILUTION SYSTEM
Manufacturer	Baseline-MOCON	
Model		
Serial Number		
Methane Gain		
Non-methane Gain		
Purge time (sec)		
CH4 Dwell / Non-CH4 Dwell (min)		
Fuel Flow (ccm)		
Air Flow (ccm)		
Sample Flow (ccm)		
Fuel Pressure (psi)		
Air Pressure (psi)		

AUDIT GAS			ppmC
Cylinder S/N			
Expiration Date			
Cylinder Pressure		CH_4 Conc.	0.0
Delivery Pressure		Non-CH_4 Conc.	0.0
CH_4 Conc. (ppm)		CH_4 Span	
C_3H_8 Conc. (ppm)		Non-CH_4 Span	

AUDIT CRITERIA (<=)		
Percent Difference of each audit level (%)	15%	

	CH4	NMHC	THC
Full Scale (ppmC)			

LEVEL	TARGET	GAS DILUTION SYSTEM CH4	C3H8	THC	Z-air Flow	Gas Flow
ZERO	0					
HIGH	0.00					
MID	0.00					
LOW	0.00					

LEVEL	METHANE (ppmC) DAS	Diff	%Diff	%LIN	P/F	NON-METHANE (ppmC) DAS	DIFF	%DIFF	%LIN	P/F
ZERO			N/A		N/A			N/A		N/A
HIGH										
MID										
LOW										

LEVEL	THC (ppmC) DAS	Diff	%Diff	%LIN	P/F
ZERO			N/A		N/A
HIGH					
MID					
LOW					

METHANE		NON-METHANE		THC	
Slope		Slope		Slope	
Y-Intercept		Y-Intercept		Y-Intercept	
Correlation		Correlation		Correlation	

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CARBON MONOXIDE ANALYZER AUDIT

ABBR.					
CLIENT		FIELD SPECIALIST		DATE	
SITE NAME					

	AMBIENT ANALYZER	AUDIT SYSTEM	
Manufacturer / Model	-		
Serial Number			
		CO AUDIT GAS	
		Cylinder S/N	
		Expiration Date	
		Cylinder Pressure	
		Delivery Pressure	
		Tank Conc. (ppm)	

FULL SCALE (ppm)	50

AUDIT CRITERIA (<=)		
Percent Difference of each audit level (%)	15%	
OR Absolute Difference at Level 1&2 (ppm)	0.030	

DILUTION		GAS DILUTION SYSTEM			CO				
CO Conc. Range (ppm)	TARGET	Actual	Z-air Flow	Gas Flow	DAS	%Diff	%LIN	P/F	
0	0					N/A		N/A	LEVEL
3.000-7.999	4.5								
0.900-2.999	2								
0.200-0.899	0.8								
0.060-0.199	0.18								

Slope	
Y-Intercept	
Correlation	

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BTEX ANALYZER AUDIT

ABBR.					
CLIENT		FIELD SPECIALIST		DATE	
SITE NAME					

MANUFACTURER	
MODEL	
SERIAL NUMBER	

AUDIT GAS #1		AUDIT GAS #2	
Cylinder S/N		Cylinder S/N	
Expiration Date		Expiration Date	
Benzene (ppb)		Benzene (ppb)	
Toluene (ppb)		Toluene (ppb)	
Ethylbenzene (ppb)		Ethylbenzene (ppb)	
o-Xylene		o-Xylene	
m-Xylene		m-Xylene	
p-Xylene		p-Xylene	
Total Xylenes		Total Xylenes	

Compound	Target Value	ANALYZER		
	ppb	Response	Difference	% Difference
Benzene				
Toluene				
Ethylbenzene				
Total Xylenes				

Compound	Target Value	ANALYZER		
	ppb	Response	Difference	% Difference
Benzene				
Toluene				
Ethylbenzene				
Total Xylenes				

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APPENDIX B: Ancillary Information

Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality – Air Quality Division

APPENDIX B – Ancillary Information For Ozone Monitoring

December 2024
Revision 3

1.0 Instrument Locations

This table is based on the current WDEQ-AQD Ambient Air Monitoring Stations and Operations. For Historic locations, see **Figure 1** in the QAPP.

Table 1. Monitoring Station Details

Station Name	AQS ID	Latitude	Longitude	AQD Project Manager	Contractor	Site Operator
Big Piney	56-035-0700	42.4864	-110.0989	Project Manager	Ambient Air Consultants	AQD/Contractor
Boulder	56-035-0099	42.719	-109.753	Project Manager	Ambient Air Consultants	AQD/Contractor
Casper Gaseous	56-025-0100	42.82231	-106.36501	Project Manager	Ambient Air Consultants	AQD/Contractor
Cheyenne NCore	56-021-0100	41.18235	-104.77842	Project Manager	Ambient Air Consultants	AQD/Contractor
Converse County	56-009-0100	43.10108	-105.49896	Project Manager	Ambient Air Consultants	AQD/Contractor
Daniel South	56-035-0100	42.7907	-110.0551	Project Manager	Ambient Air Consultants	AQD/Contractor
Johnson County	56-019-0004	43.87483	-106.50974	Project Manager	Ambient Air Consultants	AQD/Contractor
Juel Spring	56-035-1002	42.37350	-109.56050	Project Manager	Ambient Air Consultants	AQD/Contractor
Lysite Mobile	56-013-0005	43.27421	-107.69177	Project Manager	Ambient Air Consultants	AQD/Contractor
Moxa Arch	56-037-0300	41.75056	-109.78833	Project Manager	Ambient Air Consultants	AQD/Contractor
Pinedale Gaseous	56-035-0101	42.86982	-109.87076	Project Manager	Ambient Air Consultants	AQD/Contractor
Rock Springs Mobile	56-037-0029	41.58886	-109.23784	Project Manager	Ambient Air Consultants	AQD/Contractor
Sheridan Mobile	56-033-0007	44.80389	-106.96139	Project Manager	Ambient Air Consultants	AQD/Contractor
South Pass	56-013-0099	42.53	-108.72	Project Manager	Ambient Air Consultants	AQD/Contractor
Thunder Basin	56-005-0123	44.6522	-105.2903	Project Manager	Ambient Air Consultants	AQD/Contractor
Wamsutter	56-037-0200	41.67771	-108.02415	Project Manager	Ambient Air Consultants	AQD/Contractor

Type of Instruments

The Teledyne – Air Pollution Instruments (T-API) Model 400E and the Thermo-Fisher Scientific (Thermo) Model 49i UV Absorption Ozone (O_3) analyzers are microprocessor-controlled analyzers that use a system based on the Beer-Lambert law for measuring low ranges of ozone in ambient air. A 254 nm UV light signal is passed through the sample cell where it is absorbed in proportion to the amount of ozone present. The instrument specifications exceed US EPA requirements for ozone monitors in the 0-1.0 parts per million (ppm) range. The Model 400E carries the US EPA Federal Method Equivalency Designation EQOA 0992-087. The Thermo 49i carries the US EPA Federal Method Equivalency Designation: EQOA-0880-047.

Table 2. Site-Specific Ozone Analyzer Details

Station Name	Instrument Make/Model	Serial Number	Calibrated Range (ppb)	Audit Frequency	AQS Method Code
Big Piney	Teledyne-API Model T400	7429	150	Semi-Annual	087
Boulder	Teledyne-API Model T400	6739	150	Quarterly	087
Casper Gaseous	Teledyne-API Model T400	229	150	Semi-Annual	087
Cheyenne NCore	Teledyne-API Model T400E	3122	250	Quarterly	087
Converse County	Teledyne-API Model T400	1544	150	Semi-Annual	087
Daniel South	Teledyne-API Model T400	3797	150	Semi-Annual	087
Johnson County	Teledyne-API Model T400	3437	150	Semi-Annual	087
Juel Spring	Teledyne-API Model T400	7425	150	Semi-Annual	087
Lysite Mobile	TBD	TBD	TBD	Semi-Annual	TBD
Moxa Arch	Teledyne-API Model 400E	2358	150	Semi-Annual	087
Pinedale Gaseous	Teledyne-API Model T400	7242	150	Semi-Annual	087
Rock Springs Mobile	Teledyne-API Model 400E	1727	500	Semi-Annual	087
Sheridan Mobile	Teledyne-API Model 400E	2569	500	Semi-Annual	087
South Pass	Thermo 49i	0616417092	150	Semi-Annual	047
Thunder Basin	Teledyne-API Model T400	7426	150	Semi-Annual	087
Wamsutter	Thermo 49i	0616417093	150	Semi-Annual	047

2.0 AQS Coding

AQS numbers are assigned for each monitoring station and parameters. **Table 3** illustrates the AQS code used for the WDEQ-AQD program. A sample of the AQS raw data is presented below. Please note all data submitted to AQS is pipe-delimited.

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RD|I|56|021|0100|44201|1|1|007|087|20181001|00:00|0.005|||||||||||||||
RD|I|56|021|0100|44201|1|1|007|087|20181001|00:00|0.005|||||||||||||||
RD|I|56|021|0100|44201|1|1|007|087|20181001|00:00|0.008|||||||||||||||
RD|I|56|021|0100|44201|1|1|007|087|20181001|00:00|0.009|||||||||||||||
RD|I|56|021|0100|44201|1|1|007|087|20181001|00:00|0.003|||||||||||||||
RD|I|56|021|0100|44201|1|1|007|087|20181001|00:00|0.009|||||||||||||||
RD|I|56|021|0100|44201|1|1|007|087|20181001|00:00|0.000|||||||||||||||
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The column order is defined as follows in **Table 3**:

Table 3. Example Transaction Codes for AQS

Fields	Example
Transaction Type	RD (Raw Data Type)
Action Indicator	I (Insert)
State Code	56 (Wyoming)
County Code	021 (Laramie County)
Site ID	0100 (Cheyenne NCore)
Parameter Code	44201
POC	1
Duration Code	1 (Hourly)
Reported Unit Code	007 (parts per million)
Method Code	See Table 2*
Date	YYYYMMDD
Sample Time	HH: MM (hour- beginning)
Reported Sample Value	0.005
Null Data Code	AN (Machine Malfunction)
Monitor Protocol ID	(N/A)
Qualifier Code	Up to ten (10) permitted