

FACT SHEET

FINAL MERCURY AND AIR TOXICS STANDARDS (MATS) FOR POWER PLANTS ELECTRONIC REPORTING PROVISIONS

ACTION

- On July 17, 2020, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) finalized revisions to the electronic reporting requirements for the Mercury and Air Toxics Standards (MATS).
- This final action revises and streamlines those requirements, increases data transparency by requiring use of one electronic reporting system - the Emissions Collection and Monitoring Plan System (ECMPS) Client Tool - instead of two separate systems and provides enhanced access to MATS data. No new monitoring requirements are imposed by this final action.
- This final action also extends the current deadline for alternative electronic data submission via portable document format (PDF) files through December 31, 2023.
- This final action is projected to reduce annual source burden by 11,000 hours and annual costs by over \$15 million.

BACKGROUND

- In 2012, industry stakeholders requested that EPA merge separate electronic reporting systems that currently exist in the MATS rule, into the ECMPS Client Tool.
- The agency agreed to make the transition and allowed temporary submission of some MATS reports by PDF files until the transition was completed.
- The alternate compliance reporting process deadline needs to be extended until the ECMPS Client Tool is revised and tested, which will not be completed until December 2023.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

- Interested parties can download a copy of the final rule notice from EPA's website at the following addresses: <https://www.epa.gov/mats/regulatory-actions-final-mercury-and-air-toxics-standards-mats-power-plants> and <http://www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/utility/utilitypg.html>.
- Today's action and other background information are also available electronically at <https://www.regulations.gov/>, EPA's electronic public docket and comment system.
- For further information about the notice, contact Mr. Barrett Parker, EPA's Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Sector Policies and Programs Division, Measurement Policy Group at (919) 541-5635 or by email at parker.barrett@epa.gov.