

# **RULE 604 SOURCE TEST OBSERVATION AND REPORT EVALUATION**

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**100 GENERAL**

**101 PURPOSE:** To recover the costs associated with source test observation and report evaluation.

**102 APPLICABILITY:** The provisions of this rule apply to all portions of Placer County.

**200 DEFINITIONS (NOT INCLUDED)**

**300 STANDARDS**

**301 SOURCE TEST OBSERVATION FEES:** Except as provided in Section 303, for the evaluation of gasoline dispensing facility test reports, whenever the Air Pollution Control Officer finds that a source test is required for the purpose of disclosing the nature, extent, quantity, or degree of air contaminants, or for the purpose of issuing or renewing a permit to operate, and the test must be observed and/or the report evaluated by District personnel a source test observation and report evaluation fee shall be charged to the owner or operator of a source for every hour, or portion thereof, rounded up to the next whole hour, for test observation and report evaluation time of District personnel. The hourly fee shall be the General Time and Materials Labor Rate established in Rule 601, Schedule M.1. This fee covers District costs for the time spent to observe the test and to evaluate testing reports, including travel time to and from the District offices.

**302 SUSPENSION OF TESTING:** When testing is suspended by the owner or operator of the source being tested, the owner or operator shall advise the District personnel observing the test suspension. No testing may be conducted while testing is suspended. The owner or operator cannot resume testing until the District personnel are present to observe the test, or permission has been given in writing for the test to resume without District observation. Testing without a District observer present, without written permission to resume having been obtained, may result in the invalidation of the test by the District, in which case test results for the testing that was not observed will not be accepted.

**303 GASOLINE DISPENSING TEST REPORT EVALUATION FEES:** The District shall charge each gasoline dispensing facility that is required to conduct annual testing for one-half hour (0.5 hour) at the General Time and Materials Labor Rate established in Rule 601, Schedule M.1, for the evaluation of gasoline dispensing test results reports. The charge for test results evaluation is in lieu of any other charge of test report evaluation and may be assessed with the annual permit renewal fee for all permitted gasoline dispensing facilities that are required to conduct an annual test. The fee may also be charged for initial testing conducted following modification or new source construction. With the exception of this charge, all other provisions of Section 301 shall apply to tests conducted of gasoline dispensing facilities.

**304 PORTABLE ANALYZER TESTING AND OTHER DISTRICT TESTING FEES:** Whenever the Air Pollution Control Officer finds that a test is required for the purpose of disclosing the nature, extent, quantity, or degree of air contaminants, or for the purpose of issuing or renewing a permit to operate, and the test is to be conducted by the District a fee for analyses using a portable analyzer or for other source testing will be charged to the owner or operator of a source for each hour of District staff time, based on the actual hours, rounded up to next whole hour, including travel time to and from the District offices, The hourly fee shall be the General Time and Materials Labor Rate established in Rule 601, Schedule M.1.

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- 305     **RETESTING FEES:** When re-performance of source testing is required and the same test methods and protocol will be used as in the original test, in lieu of the Section 301 fee for test observation, a fee shall be charged to the owner or operator of a source for the actual hours of District staff time, including travel time to and from the District offices, rounded up to next whole hour, spent to observe the retest. The hourly fee shall be the General Time and Materials Labor Rate established in Rule 601, Schedule M.1.
- 306     **RE-INSPECTION FEES:** A fee shall be charged to the owner or operator of a source for re-inspections by District staff for compliance determination purposes resulting from equipment defects or deficiencies found during, or as a result of, testing as provided by the General Time and Materials Labor Rate of Rule 601, Schedule M.1 for the actual hours of District staff time expended, including travel time to and from the District offices, rounded up to next whole hour,
- 307     **DUPLICATED MAN-HOURS:** In the calculation of the actual time spent by the District on source test observation, including travel to and from the District offices, coincident observations of the test or coincident travel by more than one District staff member, shall only be counted once.
- 308     **DISTRICT FEE SCHEDULE:** The fees established above shall be published in the District's Fee Schedule.
- 400     **ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS (NOT INCLUDED)**
- 500     **MONITORING AND RECORDS (NOT INCLUDED)**

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