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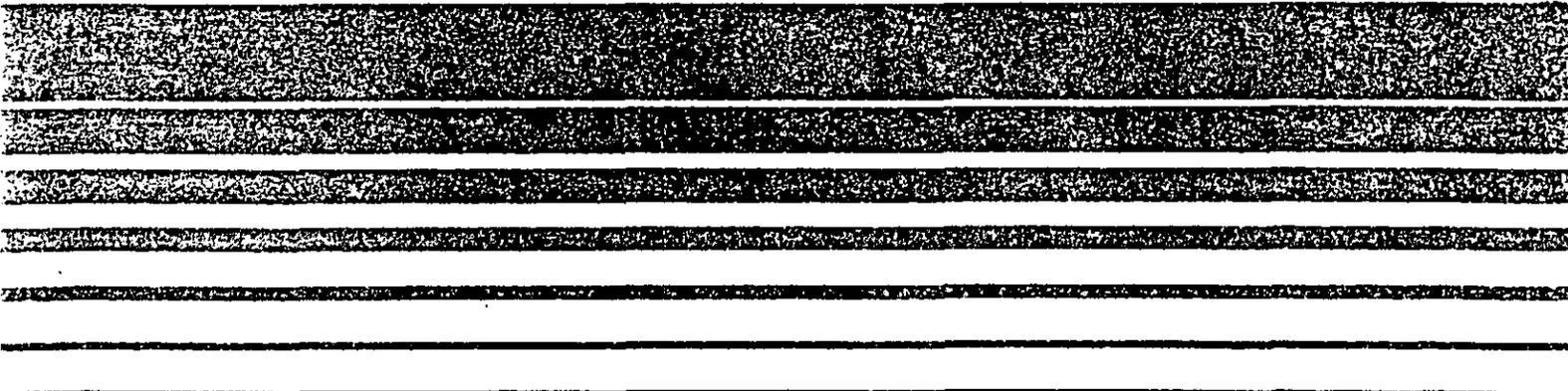


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1.0 SUMMARY

1.1 INTRODUCTION

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has called for revisions of State Implementation Plans (SIP's) in areas where the total suspended particulate (TSP) standard is being exceeded. An integral part of the SIP's is the TSP emission inventory, which is necessary to identify areas requiring emission control. Deficiencies in some state inventories must be corrected before strategies can be developed. One of these deficiencies is the lack of reliable emission factor data for TSP resulting from fugitive emissions from industrial processes.

The purpose of this assessment is to develop a priority listing of fugitive industrial processes on which source sampling is needed and to provide EPA with recommendations and support documentation for the development of fugitive TSP emission factors for industrial processes.

The industries covered are those whose processes contribute to fugitive particulate emissions. This study also includes an update of data found in the manual, Technical Guidance for Control of Industrial Process Fugitive Particulate Emissions.¹

Fugitive dust sources such as storage piles, vehicular traffic, and windblown dust are not included in this study.

NOTE

1.2 PRIORITY LISTING

Two criteria were used for the priority listing of industrial categories that require source sampling of fugitive process emissions: 1) adequacy of currently available fugitive emission factor data, and 2) total potential uncontrolled fugitive particulate emissions (industrywide). The priority listing is presented in Table 1-1.