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mixture less than five percent of the NO concentration). The NO_x analyzer must be in the NO mode so that the span gas does not pass through the converter. Record the indicated concentration.

(3) Calculate the efficiency of the NO_x converter as described in §90.318(b).

(4) Via a T-fitting, add oxygen continuously to the gas flow until the concentration indicated is about 20 percent less than the indicated calibration concentration given in paragraph (a)(2) of this section. Record the indicated concentration "c." The ozonator is kept deactivated throughout the process.

(5) Activate the ozonator to generate enough ozone to bring the NO concentration down to about 20 percent (minimum 10 percent) of the calibration concentration given in paragraph (a)(2) of this section. Record the indicated concentration "d."

NOTE: If, with the analyzer in the most common range, the NO_x converter can not give a reduction from 80 percent to 20 percent, then use the highest range which will give the reduction.

(6) Switch the NO analyzer to the NO_x mode which means that the gas mixture (consisting of NO, NO₂, O₂ and N₂) now passes through the converter. Record the indicated concentration "a."

(7) Deactivate the ozonator. The mixture of gases described in paragraph (a)(6) of this section passes through the

converter into the detector. Record the indicated concentration "b."

(8) Switched to NO mode with the ozonator deactivated, the flow of oxygen or purified synthetic air is also shut off. The NO_x reading of the analyzer may not deviate by more than ± five percent of the theoretical value of the figure given in paragraph (a)(2) of this section.

(b) The efficiency of the converter must be tested prior to each calibration of the NO_x analyzer.

(c) The efficiency of the converter may not be less than 90 percent.

§ 90.320 Carbon dioxide analyzer calibration.

(a) Prior to its initial use and monthly thereafter, or within one month prior to the certification test, calibrate the NDIR carbon dioxide analyzer as follows:

(1) Follow good engineering practices for instrument start-up and operation. Adjust the analyzer to optimize performance.

(2) Zero the carbon dioxide analyzer with either purified synthetic air or zero-grade nitrogen.

(3) Calibrate on each normally used operating range with carbon dioxide-in-N₂ calibration or span gases having nominal concentrations between 10 and 90 percent of that range. A minimum of six evenly spaced points covering at least 80 percent of the 10 to 90 range (64 percent) is required (see following table).

| Example calibration points (%) | Acceptable for Calibration? |
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| 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70 | No, range covered is 50 percent, not 64. |
| 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90 | Yes. |
| 10, 25, 40, 55, 70, 85 | Yes. |
| 10, 30, 50, 70, 90 | No, though equally spaced and entire range covered, a minimum of six points are needed. |

Additional calibration points may be generated. For each range calibrated, if the deviation from a least-squares best-fit straight line is two percent or less of the value at each data point, calculate concentration values by use of a single calibration factor for that range. If the deviation exceeds two percent at any point, use the best-fit non-linear equation which represents the data to

within two percent of each test point to determine concentration.

(b) The initial and periodic interference, system check, and calibration test procedures specified in §§86.316, 86.319, 86.320, 86.321, and 86.322 of this chapter may be used in lieu of the procedures in this section.