

APR-1215 (Functionally Identical Replacements) refers to “Functionally Identical Replacement”, a term that was formerly defined in Rule 2201 but is no longer in use. The term was removed in the 8/20/98 version of Rule 2201. A “Functionally Identical Replacement” has evolved into an identical “Replacement Emissions Unit”, with the criteria for a Replacement Emissions Unit specified in its definition. Therefore, as the guidance offered by APR-1215 is no longer necessary, the policy has been rescinded. Homero Ramirez 3/9/16.

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RE: FUNCTIONALLY IDENTICAL REPLACEMENTS

Section 3.15 of District Rule 2201 (New and Modified Stationary Sources Review) defines replacement and modifications that may qualify as Functionally Identical Replacements. The purpose of this memorandum is to provide guidance on the findings that must be made regarding this matter. In order for a project to qualify as a Functionally Identical Replacement, all of the following findings must be made:

1. The replacement unit serves the identical function as the units(s) being replaced; and
2. the maximum rating of the replacement unit is less than or equal to that of the unit(s) being replaced. It is important to note that in making this comparison, the maximum design rating of the new unit and the replacement unit(s) must be used. Permit restrictions on the rating shall not be taken into account. In other words, the applicant must not be allowed to circumvent the definition of a Functionally Identical Replacement by accepting rating restrictions, below the maximum design rating for the new unit; and
3. the potential to emit for any pollutant from the replacement unit is less than or equal to that of the unit(s) being replaced. In this case, enforceable permit conditions that restrict potential emissions from the existing unit(s) and the proposed unit must be taken into account.