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From: John German [john@theicct.org]
Sent: 5/17/2016 12:57:41 PM
To: Bunker, Byron [bunker.byron@epa.gov]
CC: Zaremski, Sara [zaremski.sara@epa.gov]; Wehrly, Linc [wehrly.linc@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Question on a different FOIA dataset

Yes, that is correct. I download all the data every year. And because the reporter only wants FTP results, that should be fine for him.

What I missed is that the FOIA was only for in-use emission testing. Thus, I have been chasing something that he didn't ask for.

John

> On May 17, 2016, at 8:53 AM, Bunker, Byron <bunker.byron@epa.gov> wrote:
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> Sara,
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> Please correct me if this is wrong, but all of the certification data (both the OEMs and our Confirmatory Testing) is already posted on our webpage. I think John can just combine both data sets to get a more complete record of tests. Is that right?
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> Thanks,
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> Byron
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Zaremski, Sara
> Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2016 8:50 AM
> To: John German <john@theicct.org>
> Cc: Bunker, Byron <bunker.byron@epa.gov>; Wehrly, Linc <wehrly.linc@epa.gov>
> Subject: RE: Question on a different FOIA dataset
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> John,
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> This FOIA request was only for LD diesel manufacturer and EOA run in-use testing for 3 manufacturers run in 2009-2015 calendar years. There would not be any certification testing included in this data.
> sara
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: John German [mailto:john@theicct.org]
> Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2016 8:48 AM
> To: Zaremski, Sara <zaremski.sara@epa.gov>
> Cc: Bunker, Byron <bunker.byron@epa.gov>; Wehrly, Linc <wehrly.linc@epa.gov>
> Subject: Re: Question on a different FOIA dataset
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> Thanks, Sara. I missed this. The data shows that EPA ran in-use surveillance testing on 2010 and 2013 VW vehicles.
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> However, this raises another question. Column E in the "from Verify" tab says that all the data in this worksheet is in-use surveillance testing. And the "from Filemaker" tab only lists 6 tests, all from 2006. So, I still can't find any EPA certification testing.
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> Am I missing something else?
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> John
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>> On May 17, 2016, at 7:19 AM, Zaremski, Sara <zaremski.sara@epa.gov> wrote:

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>> John,
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>> Due to differences in the ways the data is entered and stored in our database for EPA run vs manufacturer run in-use testing, if you filter on 'EPA In-Use Surveillance Testing (EPA Only)' in the EMISSION_PGM_NAME (column E) of the spreadsheet, you will get the tests run as part of the EPA in-use surveillance program (run at EPA) on the "from Verify" tab. All of the vehicles on the "from FileMaker" tab are EPA run testing. The reason for the 2 tabs is EPA data system changes over time.
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>> Please let me know if you have any further questions.
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>> Sara
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>> -----Original Message-----
>> From: John German [mailto:john@theicct.org]
>> Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2016 9:22 AM
>> To: Bunker, Byron <bunker.byron@epa.gov>; Wehrly, Linc <wehrly.linc@epa.gov>; Zaremski, Sara <zaremski.sara@epa.gov>
>> Subject: Question on a different FOIA dataset
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>> Byron et al,
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>> Timothy Gardner of Reuters sent a FOIA request to EPA last fall, asking for any documents on in-use testing. As part of this, EPA sent him a 2835 row spreadsheet with all test data for 2005 to 2014 diesel vehicles. This is attached.
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>> Tim asked ICCT to take a look at this. One of the first things I noticed is that there was a field "MFR_TEST_LAB_NM" (column BE). Of the 2835 rows, only 45 are listed as being tested at EPA's lab. And all of these were for 3 different BMW engine families. There is no EPA test data listed for any VW diesel vehicle.
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>> I have a hard time believing that EPA did not confirm the first diesel with a LNT. Are the lab locations in column BE accurate? Is there some coding that I am not interpreting properly?
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>> John
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