

Rule Interpretation Memos for 30 TAC 115, Degassing or Cleaning of Stationary, Marine, and Transport Vessels

- ! [Typographical error in citation 30 TAC §115.547\(4\)–Retired](#)[May 16, 2002]
- ! [Determination of whether the emissions from a vacuum truck unloading activated carbon are subject to the cleaning/degassing rules](#) [July 16, 1997]

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Rule Interpretation Summary Form

REQUEST:

Rule/Regulation Citation(s):	Federal Rule: <u> </u> State Regulation: <u> X </u>
30 TAC Chapter 115, §§ 115.541-549	Description: Chapter 115, Subchapter F: Miscellaneous Industrial Sources: Degassing or Cleaning of Stationary, Marine, and Transport Vessels
Interpretation Request:	
If an activated carbon filter is the volatile organic compound (VOC) control device used to comply with Title 30 Texas Administrative Code (30 TAC), § 115.541(a)(1) for degassing/cleaning of stationary storage tanks, and a vacuum truck is used to unload the spent activated carbon for disposal, are VOC emissions from the vacuum truck subject to control during this unloading operation?	

DETERMINATION:

Summary of Request:
If an activated carbon filter is the VOC control device used to comply with § 115.541(a)(1) for degassing/cleaning of stationary storage tanks, and a vacuum truck is used to unload the spent activated carbon for disposal, are VOC emissions from the vacuum truck subject to control during this unloading operation?
Determination:
The vacuum truck is considered to be part of the overall vapor control system. Therefore, the emissions from the vacuum truck are subject to §§ 115.541 - 549. This means that the emissions discharged into the atmosphere during the removal of the spent carbon must be taken into account when determining the overall control efficiency for the vapor control system.