# Output Based New Source Performance Standards (NSPS)

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### Recent EPA Actions that Used Output Based Standards

#### The utility and industrial boiler NSPS

- September 16, 1998
- February 27, 2006
- The stationary combustion turbine NSPS
  July 6, 2006
- Reciprocating internal combustion engine NSPS
  - July 11, 2006 (compression ignition)
  - January 18, 2008 (spark ignited)

### Utility and Industrial Boiler NSPS

- Original standards required either a input based limit or percent reduction requirement
- 1998 Amendments
  - Included an output based NO<sub>x</sub> limit for utility units
  - 50% credit for recovered useful thermal output
- 2006 Amendments
  - Included optional output based SO<sub>2</sub> and PM limit for utility units
  - Included an optional output based NO<sub>x</sub> limit for industrial units
  - 75% credit for recovered useful thermal output

#### Stationary Combustion Turbine NSPS

- Original standard based NO<sub>x</sub> ppm limit on manufacturers efficiency at standard conditions
  - More efficient turbines allowed a higher ppm emissions rate



### Original NSPS Approach



## Subpart KKKK Approach

#### Optional output based limits

100% credit for recovered useful thermal output



#### Stationary Combustion Turbine, Net Output Approach



Reciprocating internal combustion engine NSPS

- Primarily based on mobile source regulations
- Both output and optional ppm limits
- No credit for useful recovered thermal output