

(8) CAUSE OR EXACERBATE. (a) A determination by the department that the emissions unit or units covered under a general or registration operation permit cause or exacerbate, or may cause or exacerbate, a violation of any ambient air quality standard or ambient air increment. The determination shall be made through an air quality assessment using the following procedures, as appropriate, which may be conducted after the determination that the source was covered under the general or registration operation permit.

1. For general operation permits, the department shall use criteria, methodologies or modeling consistent with criteria, methodologies or modeling used for any air quality analysis conducted under s. NR 407.10 (1) (c).

2. For registration operation permits, the department shall use an air dispersion model using maximum actual emissions on an annual or hourly basis or criteria, methodologies or modeling consistent with criteria, methodologies or modeling used for any air quality analysis conducted under s. NR 407.105 (1) (b).