

**4.3 Alternative Standards for Valves in Gas/vapor or Light Liquid Service: 2 Percent Allowed to Leak (264.1061 and 265.1061)**

The owner or operator can elect to have all valves within a hazardous waste management unit comply with an alternative standard which allows no greater than two percent of the valves to leak. The owner or operator must notify the Regional Administrator that they have elected to comply with the alternative standards. A performance test in accordance with Method 21 must be conducted at the time of the notice and annually thereafter. The valves must be monitored within one week by Method 21. If an instrument reading of 10,000 ppm or greater is measured, a leak is detected. The leak percentage must be determined by dividing the number of valves for which leaks are detected by the number of valves subject to the subpart BB standards. If a leak is detected it must be repaired within 15 calendar days, with a first attempt at repair within five calendar days. If the owner or operator decides to no longer comply with the alternative standards section, the Regional Administrator must be notified in writing.