

Assessment of RSD measurement performance against reference vehicles and PEMS emissions

Potential for Euro 6 in-service vehicle emissions screening

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Background

- In-Service Conformity (ISC) of road vehicles
- EU authorities responsibilities being defined in the 4th regulatory package on Real Driving Emissions (RDE)
- EC investigating the possibility to propose screening methods for vehicle/family selection (e.g. to find worst in class)
- Candidate screening methods: Remote Sensing Devices (RSD) / Simplified Emissions Measurement Systems (SEMS)





General Approach

- Feasibility study of RSD for the European primary legislative purpose (Screening Euro 6 LDV emissions to identify worst cases or problematic vehicle families)
- Other possibilities: private vehicles issues such as tampering, evaluation of inspection and maintenance,...
- Roadmap
 - Step1: Assessment of RSD instrumentation (JRC July 2017)
 - Step2: Upon measurement performance assessment, proposal for minimum requirements and associated usage
 - Step3: Deployment campaigns, database and evaluation strategies





Remote Sensing Devices (RSD) in the program

HEAT



OPUS





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Overview of JRC RSD Test Campaign

- One week in July 2017, 2 commercially available RSD systems (OPUS, HEAT) tested simultaneously
- Reference vehicles:
 - Electric vehicle with gas bottles (CO/NO/CO2) to simulate vehicle exhaust
 - Internal combustion engines vehicles equipped with PEMS
- Other vehicles covering various technologies and emissions standards passing several times through
- Total Number of vehicles: Reference (6) / Other (40)





Approach to assess the measurement performance





Simulation of Emissions Values

- Electric vehicle equipped with Gas cylinders and small air compressor
- Different concentrations of NO and CO pollutants
- Gas flowing controlled by valves
- PEMS system to measure flows and concentrations
- Comparison with RSD













Emissions from Internal Combustion Engines

- Vehicles equipped with PEMS
- Vehicles without PEMS
- Various emissions standards (Euro 0 to Euro 6b)
- Measurement of tailpipe gaseous emissions (THC, NO+NO2=NOx, CO, CO₂)
- Comparison with RSD











Reference Vehicles Characteristics

	Engine	Euro standard	Engine capacity [cm³]	Power [kW]
Vehicle 1	Electric	-	-	-
Vehicle 2	Gasoline	Euro4	1368	57
Vehicle 3	Diesel	Euro6b	1968	110
Vehicle 4	Diesel	Euro6b	2967	184





Results - NO/CO2 ratio







Results - CO/CO2 ratio



STRAIGHT GREY LINE: 1:1

RED HORIZONTAL LINE = BACKGROUND





Results – All vehicles - NO/CO2 ratio



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NO ratio [Log₁₀ ppm/%]

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Results – Euro 6 Diesel with tampered DPF





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Euro3 Euro4 Euro5 Euro6





Results – Euro VI Diesel Truck with tampered SCR



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Preliminary Conclusions (1)

- RSD Instrumentation measurement performance verified under real-world conditions: both OPUS/HEAT systems exhibited excellent correlation with the references for CO and NO, within wide ranges
- Ability of the RSD to discriminate Euro 0 to Euro 6 emissions standards within a given vehicle technology (diesel, gasoline, LPG, with and without DPF)
- Ability of the RSD instrumentation to check the tailpipe emissions of tampered or poorly performing vehicles (e.g. due to ageing effects), relative to the functioning ones





Preliminary Conclusions (2)

- RSD does not provide absolute values and is only complementary to detailed RDE/PEMS testing
- RSD appropriate to assess emissions performance of vehicles/vehicle families **relative** to other vehicles/families or functioning vehicles





Next Steps

- Final review of the collected data with Opus and Heat
- Potential for other pollutants: THC, PM will be further assessed from the data
- Publication of JRC report including complete results and preliminary recommendations



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- Open question regarding RSD instrumentation sensitivity:
 - Within the vehicles compliant with the RDE regulation, will RSD be able to discriminate good and bad Euro 6 c/d vehicles?

