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## Preface

This Standard was prepared by the Joint Standards Australia/Standards New Zealand Committee EV-007, Methods for Examination of Air, to supersede AS/NZS 3580.9.12:2013.

The objective of this document is to provide regulatory and testing bodies with a method for continuously monitoring suspended particulate matter with an equivalent aerodynamic diameter (EAD) of less than 2.5 µm (PM<sub>2.5</sub>) in ambient air, providing near real-time measurement of mean particle concentration.

The major changes in this edition are as follows:

- (a) Alignment with current technology and to ensure consistency and uniformity across the different methods used in other continuous particulate monitoring Standards.
- (b) Provision of an essential reference to AS 3580.19.

The requirements for instruments specified in this document were derived from those given in the United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA), Code of Federal Regulations, Title 40 Protection of Environment, Part 53 Ambient Air Monitoring Reference and Equivalent Methods (40 CFR 53), or instruments that have demonstrated equivalence in accordance with AS/NZS 3580.9.17.

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