The following data requirements must be metter any data to be considered "nearly available" for use in the National Center for Environmental Information (NCEI)

- Accurate temporal data must be preserved and recorded in an appropriately fine resolution and frequency, and that same or higher temporal resolution is required for the presentation of the data.
- Data collection activities must occur in real time with the exception to be accommodated by appropriate quality assurance and control measures.
- Data collection methods and sample sizes must be comparable to similar data collections in the same or similar environments.
- A metadata file associated with each dataset that contains the necessary information to understand and interpret the data correctly.
- The sampling period for the data used in the [2020 dataset] must be updated and made available before the [2021 dataset] is publicly released.

The data requirements for the release of the [2020 dataset] and the [2021 dataset] must be met at the time of submission for the submission to be considered "nearly available" and must satisfy the [2021 requirements].

The [2021 dataset] is now available for download at the following link:

https://data.ncei.noaa.gov/data/dataset/2021dataset/