



Environmental Laboratory Advisory Committee (ELAC) FINAL Meeting Minutes November 4, 2021

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Administrative Business:

The meeting was called to order at 9:35am by ELAC Chair, Rose Koplin (Accredited Analytical Resources, Inc.), Meeting minutes were taken by Steve Witkowski (New Jersey Analytical), ELAC secretary. This meeting was held via Microsoft Teams.

The October ELAC Meeting Minutes were approved with a motion by Paul Maide (APT) and seconded by Nick Straccione (EMSL).

Environmental Laboratory Certification Program (ELCP): Rachel Ellis (NJDEP-OQA) provided an update.

Operating as business as usual.

Modifications taken 1 to 2 weeks for processing and are processed in the order that they are received.

Questions on the certification program should be directed to Rachel Ellis at rachel.ellis@dep.nj.gov.

Rule Amendment: Rachel Ellis (NJDEP-OQA) provided an update.

No Update

Proficiency Test (PT) Program: Rachel Ellis (NJDEP-OQA) provided an update.

PT study dates are on the OQA website.

DW letters out soon for January study

NPW results are due 11/5

SCM is open and due 12/17

Questions on the proficiency testing program should be directed to Rachel Ellis at rachel.ellis@dep.nj.gov.

The NELAC Institute (TNI):

The next meeting will be in person in San Antonio 1/17-22/2022

Check the TNI website for additional information <http://www.nelac-institute.org/>.

Division of Water Supply/Safe Drinking Water:

The PWTa paper form and the E-2 database upgrade is in final review and will be distributed shortly.

A question regarding surrogate failures due to matrix in PFAS in PWTa samples was asked. Labs were directed to follow the method guidance but for PFAS compounds in the PWTa program when an unacceptable QC result is found and confirmed by re-extraction and re-analysis, such as a surrogate outside of limits due to matrix interference, the data can be reported with a comment and the homeowner and person's involved in real estate transaction decide how to proceed.

Questions on the Drinking Water Program may be emailed to Kelley Meccia Kelley.Meccia@dep.nj.gov or Joanna Caporossi joanna.caporossi@dep.nj.gov

Site Remediation & Waste Management Program (SRWMP): Amy Bowman (NJDEP-SRP) provided an update.

The DKQ working group will be reconvening to work on the technical guidance documents.

The indoor air remediation standards are effective as of 11/7/21.

LSRP exam is scheduled for April 2022

Questions on the SRWMP program may be emailed to Greg Toffoli (NJDEP-SRWMP) at greg.toffoli@dep.nj.gov.

New Business:

No Update

EDD Subcommittee

No updates, continued background programming being done. This committee will be placed on hold for the time being until the NJDEP-SRWMP-BIS department notifies the ELAC committee of any changes.

Questions and comments may be directed to Ken Liao (NJDEP-SRWMP-BIS) at ken.liao@dep.nj.gov

Communications / OQA Website:

The OQA Website is up to date.

Meeting Schedule: The Meeting was adjourned at 9:52 am with a motion by Nick Straccione (EMSL) and seconded by Harvy Klein (Garden State). The next scheduled ELAC Meeting will be held on **December 9, 2021, at 9:30am**, via Microsoft Teams. **Those planning to attend must email the ELAC Chair or secretary.**

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