



Environmental Laboratory Advisory Committee (ELAC) FINAL/REVISED Meeting Minutes February 10, 2022

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Administrative Business:

The meeting was called to order at 9:33am 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 January ELAC Meeting Minutes were approved with a motion by Eileen Synder (Alpha) and seconded by Steve Reduker (APT).

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

Renewals expected to be out the 1st week of March and due back to OQA by 4/1.

The new methods from the MUR will not be in the renewal package but will included on the ACPLs when the renewals are processed for July 1st. Modifications for the new method can be sent in after 3/1 to apply early for the new methods. Information to be forthcoming about other ABs.

Laboratories may run the new revisions of methods that they already hold certification.

EPA 1633 will NOT be added to the Part III. It is an option for labs to request as a user defined method through the ATP process, but the part III will not have separate codes for EPA Draft 1633. The existing user defined PFAS codes currently listed on the Part III should be used to request EPA Draft 1633 as a user defined method option.

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 to be updated on the OQA website.

SCM letters out soon due 6/10

DW due 3/4

Air due 3/18

NPW letters are out for the March study due 5/6

Reminder for the laboratories to report correct methods and revisions.

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

The NELAC Institute (TNI):

No Update

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

Division of Water Supply/Safe Drinking Water:

Drinking water roundtable on 2/16 from 9-3 virtual. Agenda to be distributed shortly.

The DWQI has recommended a MCL of 0.33 ug/l for 1,4-dioxane and rulemaking is expected to commence in 2022.

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.

An interim ground water quality standard of 0.002 ug/l for polyether carboxylates has been established. Greg Toffoli also spoke to developments of methods for SPLP leaching for PFAS and forthcoming soil standards for PFAS and possible approved methods.

Changes coming this year for the ground water quality standards. Proposal will be coming out in May 2022 for public comment and possible adoption in 2023. Some compounds will have changes exceeding an order of magnitude. (1,1 biphenyl, cobalt, free cyanide, 1,3 dichlorobenzene, heptachlor (epoxide,) methoxychlor, vinyl chloride)

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

New Business:

None

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:

Minutes are posted through December 2021.

Meeting Schedule: The Meeting was adjourned at 10:11 am with a motion by Steve Reduker (IAL) and seconded by Eileen Synder (Alpha). The next scheduled ELAC Meeting will be held on **March 10, 2022, at 9:30am**, via Microsoft Teams. **Those planning to attend must email the ELAC Chair or secretary.**

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