



Environmental Laboratory Advisory Committee (ELAC) FINAL Meeting Minutes April 14, 2022

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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 March ELAC Meeting Minutes were approved with a motion by Eileen Synder (Alpha) and seconded by Harvy Klein (Garden State).

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

Renewals were due 4/1. Later renewals may result in a certification lapse.

A \$600 review fee is required for SOP user defined methods which will be invoiced.

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.

NPW is open and due 5/6., Make sure to check the FoPT tables.

PCBs in oil is in the TNI FoPT tables.

SCM opens 4/1 and is due 6/10.

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):

-The August TNI meeting is the 1st week of August in person. It is a combined meeting with TNI and NEMC.

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

Division of Water Supply/Safe Drinking Water:

No Update

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.

Comparison tables are on the SRP website comparing the remediation standards to the former standards.

A summary of standards is on the SRP website.

The field sampling manual Ch 1,2, and 4 is posted to the SRP website as is the updated technical guidance document.

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

New Business:

Paula Blaze (NJDEP-OQA) addressed submitted questions.

NJDEP-OQA only offers the most current revision of the methods

If a QAPP requires an older version to be used note in a non-conformance as not holding certification for the older method but holding certification for the new version of the method.

Helium → 600 series and part 136 allow hydrogen as a carrier gas. Is also allowed in SW-846 methods as is nitrogen to be used for purging. Region 2 will allow hydrogen to be used as a carrier for DW.

Please note that software changes may have to be made when changing carrier gases. OQA will require the MDL and DOCs to be rerun but no additional PTs will be required.

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. Steve to check on status.

Meeting Schedule: The Meeting was adjourned at 9:55 am with a motion by Nick Stracconine (EMSL) and seconded by Eileen Synder (Alpha). The next scheduled ELAC Meeting will be held on **May 12, 2022, at 9:30am**, via Microsoft Teams. **Those planning to attend must email the ELAC Chair or secretary.**

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