

TNI Stationary Source Audit Sample Expert Committee Teleconference
June 28, 2010

Attendance:

Maria Friedman, Chair	Committee member	present
Michael Klein	Committee member	present
Ray Merrill	Committee member	present
Gregg O'Neal	Committee member	present
Michael Schapira	Committee member	present
Jim Serne	Committee member	not present
Candace Sorrell	Committee member	not present
Richard Swartz, Vice-chair	Committee member	present
Stanley Tong	Committee member	not present
Mike Hayes	Committee member	not present
Jane Wilson	Program Administrator	present
Shawn Kassner	Associate member	not present
Mike Miller	Associate member	not present
Ty Garber	Associate member	not present
William Daystrom	Guest	present

- 1) Double-check of documents to be referenced in this teleconference

Maria noted that documents for this call were sent via email on 6-25-2010. Jane emailed the meeting minutes on 6-24-2010. All confirmed receipt of the emails.

- 2) Review and approve minutes from teleconference on June 14, 2010

Mike Schapira motioned to accept the minutes as drafted and Gregg seconded – Mike S, Gregg, Richard, Michael K, Maria, Jim S (by email) voted to approve. The motion carried.

- 3) Update from Chair

Maria reported that the voting on outreach letter was affirmative and Candace has sent the letter to the EPA contact and QA list. Gregg has some concerns about whether some of the individuals signing up are actual decision makers in their organizations regarding audit samples. 41 contacts have signed up so far from the EPA and state and local agencies. The group discussed possible future follow up with these contacts in terms of whether they need certain types of access to the database. Providers need to be able to contact regulatory agency decision makers who can specify concentration ranges, etc. William noted the database was not intended to be used as a general contact list so the Committee may have to monitor how it's being used. The database may need additional functionality in the future for different levels of users. William will assess this for future discussion.

EPA will recognize TNI as a voluntary consensus standard organization that provides a SSAS program. EPA will need to review the TNI standards in detail to make sure the standards address the needs of the new EPA rules when finalized. SSAS EC can review the standards at the same time as EPA to try to anticipate the acceptability. If changes to the standards are needed, they can be either Tentative Interim Amendments (for items

deemed to be of an emergency nature) or processed using the normal development process. No timeline has been set for this approval.

Deadline for the finalizing the EPA rule is still July 31st.

4) Update from SSAS Table subcommittee

Shawn was not able to be on the call today but provided an update to Maria. Shawn has provided the draft SSAS table for inorganics to Maria. The subcommittee is now working on method 18 to be followed by method 25. Maria will ask the subcommittee for an actual proposal supporting the draft table, not just the discussion captured in the minutes. Maria also requested the SOP that the subcommittee followed in determining the limits. Maria will read through the material and identify what needs to be discussed. A2LA would like to be part of this discussion but Maria needs to find an alternate contact as Dan Tholen is not available.

Maria will distribute the draft SSAS table and SOP. A few of the methods/entries should be reviewed for a common understanding of the approach that was taken by the subcommittee. Maria noted the need for a good summary presentation on the SSAS table when most committee members can be present and suggested July 26th for that meeting.

Maria will email SSAS table (inorganics) and SOP to the committee for their review. Volatiles and other analytes are still in development.

5) Update from William re. SSAS Central Database programming efforts

William is working on finishing the database programming for queries, reports and documentation for the system.

6) TNI Washington DC Meeting

The Committee discussed possible topics for presentation at the August TNI meeting in Washington DC. William is planning a presentation for providers on the central database and a demonstration of the system. It was suggested that this presentation could also include information for testers and labs that will need to use the database. The finalized EPA rule could be reviewed if there is enough time (and if the rule is final by then). Maria noted the need for guidance from TNI as to whether there will be costs for some users of the central database. The SSAS EC meeting is August 12 at 9 am to noon. Right now Maria, William, Jane and probably Ray will be in attendance. Teleconference arrangements will be requested.

Next meeting is tentative for July 26th 2:00 EDT.