

**TNI Chemistry FoPT Subcommittee
Meeting Summary
November 2, 2010**

1. Roll call and Meeting Minutes:

Chair Carl Kircher called the Chemistry FoPT Subcommittee to order on November 2, 2010 at 12:05 pm EST. Attendance is recorded in Attachment A. There were 5 members on the call today.

The minutes from the October 19th and 26th meetings were reviewed. Dan Dickinson should have been marked as present on October 26th. Dan Dickenson motioned to accept both sets of minutes with the change in attendance status. The motion was seconded by Stacey and unanimously approved. They will be forwarded to the TNI webmaster.

2. FoPT Tables

NPW FoPT Tables

Jeff had the following comments on the NPW FoPT accreditation table:

- Low Level Mercury and Low Level Total Residual Chlorine do not meet the 10/20 rule. Carl noted that it was a request from EPA to add these analytes and these were previously considered and approved by the NELAP Accreditation Council (previously NELAP Board).

Carl believes that he noted that these analytes did not pass the 10/20 rule at a previous NELAP AC call. No one at the time asked that these analytes be re-evaluated. They will be left on the table and this will be noted when the table is forwarded to the PT Executive Committee.

- Footnote 1: Need to modify first sentence because they went to the experimental table.
- Footnote 9,10,11,12: These had a note involving PCB in Water and PCB in Oil. These were deleted and added back in and then crossed out to show the changes to the table.

Jeff had the following comment on the NPW FoPT experimental table:

- Present concentration for low level Nitroaromatics and Nitroamines is 1 – 20 ug/L and it has been changed to 2-20 ug/L. 20 ug/L did not change in the new table – so it needs to be black.

Stephen asked if the experimental tables are in or out? Carl responded that the plan is to approve them and pass them along to the PT Executive Committee. What happens after that is up to the PT Executive Committee. Their next meeting is November 18th. Stephen is concerned that the states are not all handling experimental tables similarly. If the 2003 Standard is not being consistently implemented, why is the PT program being held to the 10/20 rule of the 2003 NELAC Standard? Stephen will pass this question along to the PT Executive Committee.

There were no comments on the SCM tables.

Stephen motioned that the NPW and SCM FoPT Accreditation and NPW and SCM FoPT Experimental Tables forwarded by Carl on October 19th and amended as described above be approved and forwarded to the PT Executive Committee. Dan Dickinson seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Carl - For

Jeff – Abstain (not enough comments from subcommittee on SCM)

Stacey - For

Dan Dickinson – For

Stephen – For

Iлона will send an e-mail to the missing subcommittee members and give them an opportunity to vote by Monday, 11/8/10. The result of the vote will be discussed in the next teleconference.

3. New Items

- Jeff asked if the meeting calls could be every other week instead of every week or maybe once a month. Carl commented that there are still a lot of analytes that still need to be looked at. Perhaps bi-weekly and extending the call a ½ hour might accomplish a similar amount of work. The subcommittee would like a better idea of exactly what is left and when it needs to be completed.

There will be no meeting on 11/9/10. The next meeting will be 11/16/10. Carl will begin work on the cover letter for the NPW and SCM tables and will distribute it for review. He would like to forward the approved tables to the PT Executive Committee for their meeting on 11/18/10.

Carl will contact Eric about timing for completion of the tables and bring this information back to the group on the 16th for consideration.

4. Action Items

- Updates are included in the table.

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Chemistry FoPT Subcommittee will be November 16, 2010, at 12:00 PM EST.

Action Items are included in Attachment B and Attachment C includes a listing of reminders.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:12 pm EST (Motion: Stephen Second: Stacey Unanimously approved.)

Attachment A

Participants TNI Chemistry FoPT Subcommittee

Members	Affiliation	Contact Information
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Attachment B

Action Items – Chemistry FoPT Subcommittee

	Action Item	Who	Expected Completion	Actual Completion
13.	Prepare letter to ABs to find out their needs on analytes that may be under consideration for deletion. <i>(3/24/09 – It was determined that these tables are used by more than just ABs. This needs to be reconsidered.)</i>	TBD	TBD	
46	Re-evaluate experimental volatile halocarbons for fixed limits when the rest of the volatile halocarbons are evaluated for an NPW table update.	All	On-going	
72	Consider a different header name instead of Synthetic Organic Contaminants. Ideas?	All	10/19/10	Complete
73	Forward Dacthal e-mail and consider need for a footnote.	Eric All	10/19/10	Complete
74	Check with Eric on SC request for low level EDB, DBCP. Send back to PT Executive Committee.	Carl	10/26/10	
75	Prepare DRAFT cover letter for NPW and SCM tables.	Carl	11/16/10	
76	Check with PT Executive Committee to find out when they would like the current work on the NPW and SCM tables to be completed.	Carl	11/16/10	
77	E-mail vote to missing members on 11/2/10 call.	Ilona	11/4/10	

Attachment C

Backburner / Reminders – Chemistry FoPT Subcommittee

	Item	Meeting Reference	Comments
1	Review summary data to see if it supports a change in the acceptance criteria for DW analytes (For example, VOA, 30% instead of 20%). If data is supportive, Jeff Lowry will approach ELAB.	10-30-08	<p>3/10/09 - Jeff has approached ELAB. They would be happy to put it in a work group – and pass it along with a letter to EPA. We need to provide them with the data.</p> <p>2/23/10: Jeff will forward the VOA data. Jeff noted that the data supports the tighter limits. He will provide the information to ELAB and they will decide whether to approach EPA.</p> <p>5/4: Jeff is working with ELAB on this now.</p> <p>7/19: The workgroup is continuing to work on this and should discuss this on the September 2010 call.</p> <p>9/21: No work has been done in ELAB – so this has been delayed a month.</p>
3	Consider changing the lower limit for Vanadium on WP to 50 ug/L.	6-30-09	
4	Consider nomenclature differences between the analyte codes and the FoPT tables.	2-23-10	
6	From PT Board: South Carolina requested that low level EDB and DBCP (8011) be added to the NPW table.	4-15-10 PT Board Meeting	They were added to the solids table where they were experimental. They were not experimental on the NPW table.