

**TNI Chemistry FoPT Subcommittee  
Meeting Summary  
November 4, 2014**

1. Roll call and Meeting Minutes:

Chair Carl Kircher called the meeting of the Chemistry FoPT Subcommittee to order on November 4, 2014 at 12:05 ET. Attendance is recorded in Attachment A. There were 7 members on the call.

The minutes for the October 21, 2014 meeting were reviewed. Stephen made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Joe P. and unanimously approved.

There were additional minutes for previous meetings sent to the committee for review by email. There was an issue in the 7-15-15 minutes where many of the study concentration limits stated during the meeting do not match the Excel summary table sent out by Carl last week. There was also an issue with fixed limit calculations on Manganese. Carl will review this and correct the table as needed. Ilona will then correct the minutes as needed and redistribute a version 2 of the 7-15-15 minutes.

2. Update on SCM FoPT Analytes

Carl sent 5 Excel sheets for Pesticides to Dan for review and analysis. These should be ready at the next meeting for review.

Carl noted that he is having some issues crunching the data for Oil and Grease. Carl said there was a name change a few years ago from TPH to Oil and Grease. Jeff said there was a Hexane Extractable TPH and a Hexane Extractable Oil and Grease. Carl is not sure what is silica gel and what is purely hexane extractable. He will need to get additional data to complete this analysis and provide the subcommittee with data to look at.

Jeff noted that the method codes are 1935 – TPH and 1640 – Oil and Grease.

Carl commented that the limits currently posted for SCM are from 2003-2006 data. The 2006-2010 PT data is being used for the current review. Some feel the data should be more recent.

Carl also noted that he expects that at sometime the PTPEC will want to know preparatory methods when considering PT results. Jeff commented that this won't happen until it is required to collect this information. At this point the TNI fields of accreditation do not require the preparation method to be listed. NY actually does collect preparation methods with their PT data.

Carl asked Ilona for an update on the PTPEC. She updated the subcommittee on the activity of the FoPT Format Update Subcommittee. She also noted that Shawn Kassner passed on a

comment from the WDS review that needs a response from the PTPEC. It deals with how PT data in the future should be collected for FoPT table work - through the PTPAs instead of through all the individual providers?

### 3. PTPEC Chair's Email

Carl received an email request from Maria right before the last meeting. It requested that the subcommittee review the footnotes on the DW FoPT table and compare them to the Drinking Water Criteria document. Carl prepared a DRAFT response and sent it to the subcommittee for review.

Jeff looked at the notes from the last PTPEC meeting and does not think the committee is being asked to review all the footnotes. There was a discussion in the minutes about the 80% rules for number of analytes in PTs. Jeff suggested just addressing this concern. He suggested including a footnote that "All regulated analytes must be spiked." This is what is actually being done because of other PT Provider client requirements.

Andy noted that there are a number of regulated analytes in the CWA that are not in the FoPT tables. Everyone was reminded that this request only relates to the Drinking Water FoPT table.

Ilona suggested that the subcommittee go back to Michella for clarification on the request. Is what is being suggested by Jeff sufficient or are there other footnotes that need review?

Carl will update his DRAFT with Jeff's comments and send it to the subcommittee for review. It will be voted on at the next meeting and sent to the PTPEC before their November meeting.

### 4. Action Items

See action item table in attachments. Action Item #111 will be reviewed when Joe Morotti is on the call.

### 5. New Business

- Carl asked about Asbestos and whether this needs to be deleted from the DW FoPT table. Dan said that New York is still providing asbestos PTs. There are discussions with EPA to sort out how to possibly provide asbestos PTs to labs that are not NY accredited. There may be some political issues.

## 6. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Chemistry FoPT Subcommittee has been scheduled for November 18, 2014.

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

The call was ended at 1:00pm EST. Motion – Jeff Second - Andy. Unanimously approved.

## Attachment A

### Participants TNI Chemistry FoPT Subcommittee

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**Attachment B**

**Action Items – Chemistry FoPT Subcommittee**

	<b>Action Item</b>	<b>Who</b>	<b>Expected Completion</b>	<b>Actual Completion</b>
111	Receive info on Class 1 Ozone Exemption from Joe M. and forward to Michella.	Carl	6/16/14	
114	Respond to Maria's request about footnote comparisons to the EPA Criteria Document and send to subcommittee for review before sending.	Carl	10/28/14	Complete
115	Update the SCM Excel table and distribute to Subcommittee.	Carl	10/28/14	Complete
116	Look at 7-15-14 minutes and let Ilona know what the correct limits are for the analytes looked at that day.	Carl	11/11/14	
117	Prepare second DRAFT response to Maria's request about the EPA Criteria document. Send to subcommittee for review at next meeting.	Carl	11/11/14	
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**Attachment C**

**Backburner / Reminders – Chemistry FoPT Subcommittee**

	<b>Item</b>	<b>Meeting Reference</b>	<b>Comments</b>
4	Consider nomenclature differences between the analyte codes and the FoPT tables.	2-23-10	
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