

**TNI Chemistry FoPT Subcommittee
Meeting Summary
July 14, 2009**

1. Roll call and Meeting Minutes:

Co-Chair Carl Kircher called the Chemistry FoPT Subcommittee to order on July 14, 2009, at 11am EST. Attendance is recorded in Attachment A.

Minutes from the June 30, 2009 meeting were distributed. These will be reviewed for a vote at the July 28th meeting.

2. Additional PT Provider Data

Brian talked to the PT Providers and Jeff Lowry. All the data has been processed, so additional data has to be added in by hand or all data worked on thus far will have to be reprocessed. It will be more time consuming to reload all the data and reprocess everything, than to only add the additional data when needed by hand.

Carl suggested hand entry for the DW (only for the Experimental Analytes where there is not enough data) and re-processing all of the data for the other tables (i.e., WP, Soils.)

Brian stated that the group really needs Jeff's input in deciding how to proceed. The group needs to understand the timing for the different options.

Carl suggested that we might need to mask additional information to input the additional data. We would need to let the PT Board know if we plan to do this.

The SOP doesn't say you can't have a second call for data, but it also doesn't say you can. When we asked for the additional data we asked for all data from a previous time frame – we did not ask for specific analytes.

Eric suggested that we run with the data we have and only refer to the additional data when there is an issue where we have insufficient data. Brian stated that it was not just the data we had requested for the Cr6+ but an original data set that was not used in the original upload of data.

Jeff was able to join the call at 11:45am. Carl asked about difficulty in starting over with WP and Soil. He said it would take many, many hours. Eric and Brian both suggested that the data should only be used where needed.

One PT provider turned in data that may not be what was asked for. Brian will contact the PT provider and ensure that what they provided in their data set is what is what was asked for. Brian will forward the data to Carl.

Carl requested that Jeff (or someone else?) compare the mean and standard deviation from the one PT Provider's data with the corresponding mean and standard deviation derived from the aggregate analysis of the other PT Providers' data, for each matrix-analyte. If these means and standard deviations show no statistical difference, then all is OK and we will have "used" that Provider's data. If the comparison shows statistical significance, then a re-evaluation with all PT data included should be performed. No one agreed to do this at this point, so Carl will look at it based on the data Brian forwards.

A decision on how to proceed needs a committee vote and not enough members were on the call to vote. This will need to be tabled until the next call on the 28th.

3. San Antonio Meeting – Monday Afternoon

Eric asked if someone would be willing to provide a committee update in San Antonio. Brian will provide a 10 minute update.

4. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Chemistry FoPT Subcommittee will be July 28, 2009, at 11AM EST. Jeff will send out evaluation files prior to the call and desktop sharing will be made available during the call.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 12:01 PM EST.

Attachment A

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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. (3/24/09 – <i>It was determined that these tables are used by more than just ABs. This needs to be reconsidered.</i>)	TBD	TBD	
19.	Request the final revision of the SOP #4-001 Guidelines for Calculation of Acceptance Limits from the TNI PT Board.	Eric/Carl	5/5/09	Delayed due to exp PT tables.
21.	Subcommittee members with labs to provide information about PT analytes. Information needs to be submitted to Jeff.	Eric Stacey Amy	5/31/09	
22.	Prepare for upcoming meetings by reviewing evaluation files that Jeff will send every 2 weeks.	All	Ongoing	
23.	Brian will contact PT providers to get more data for Hexavalent Chromium. A wider window of time will be used to see if sufficient data is available to determine limits.	Brian	7/14/09	Complete
24.	Brian will contact one of the data providers to ensure that the data requested is what was sent. Data will be forwarded to Carl.	Brian	7/28/09	

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	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.
2	Reminder: Look at what the minimum “n” should be once we start getting data from the PT providers. Take a few studies and run some comparisons. Also, look to see if the unacceptable rates are higher in smaller studies.	12-16-08	
3	Consider changing the lower limit for Vanadium on WP to 50 ug/L.	6-30-09	
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