

**Stationary Source Audit Sample Expert Committee Meeting  
January 14, 2009  
Forum on Environmental Laboratory Accreditation  
Miami, FL**

Committee Participants:

Maria Friedman (Test America), Gregg O'Neal (NC DAQ), Ken Eichelmann (Air Liquide), Candace Sorrell (EPA), Stanley Tong (EPA R9), Ray Merrill (ERG), Henry Beauchamp (Wibby Env.), Mike Miller (ret.), Shawn Kassner (ERA), Jane Wilson (Program Administrator)

Via conference call: Jack Herbert (Oregon), Michael Klein (New Jersey), Richard Swartz (Missouri DNR)

Maria Friedman welcomed the attendees and all gave self-introductions.

Maria reviewed the history of the initiative to develop standards for stationary source audit samples by TNI as a means of privatizing the current EPA stationary source audit program. The initiative began in late 2007 and presentations were provided at the TNI Newport Beach, CA in January 2008. In July 2008, a stakeholder committee began work on the project. In December 2008, the committee was officially constituted as a TNI Expert Committee and released three Working Draft Standards (WDS) for comment. The TNI organization is still determining how these standards will fit into the TNI organizational structure, so they do not have designated sector and volume identifiers yet.

The attendees discussed the options for accreditation of providers for the audit sample program. For TNI laboratory accreditation, the proficiency testing providers were accredited in an initial "class" such that no provider organization had a competitive advantage over others at the inception of the program. Initial accreditation for the audit sample program will be conducted against ILAC G-13. The TNI standards will not be finalized in sufficient time to be utilized for the initial provider accreditations before the October 1, 2009 termination of the EPA audit sample program. The provider accreditor will also consider other technical issues unique to audit sample programs during the accreditation process.

Gregg O'Neal motioned for the audit sample providers to be accredited as a class for the start of the TNI audit sample program (second by Ray Merrill). The motion carried unanimously. A timeline will be determined by the provider accreditor such that ILAC G-13 accreditation can be offered to interested providers by October 2009.

The WDS document for Providers was reviewed and comments were incorporated. Please refer to January 14, 2009 draft.

Additional comments from the TNI stakeholders can be submitted on the SSAS WDS documents via email until COB January 29, 2009.

The next meeting of the SSAS committee will be January 26, 2009 at 2:00 pm EST.