

TNI Stationary Source Audit Sample Expert Committee Teleconference
Summary for July 6, 2009

Committee members present:

Maria Friedman
Gregg O'Neal
Jim Serne
Jack Herbert
Richard Swartz
Michael Klein
Mike Schapira

Associate members present:

Mike Miller
Yves Tondeur

Guest:

William Daystrom

Agenda Discussions – Meeting was called to order at 2:11 PM EDT:

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

For today's call, Maria emailed to all members the agenda and VDS comments spreadsheet summary, on July 5th; Jane emailed to all the minutes from the June 29th call, on July 2nd. The VDS drafts to be referenced remain the same; emailed to all on June 8th and are the same ones currently posted in the TNI website.

Richard volunteered to help take minutes; Jane is out today.

Maria noted that since Candace and Stan requested indefinite leave of absence, decisions will be approved based on quorum of 5 (out of 8) voting members.

- 2) Review and approval of minutes from teleconference on June 29, 2009

Minutes approved as written. Jim Serne moved; Mike Schapira seconded. Motion carried.

- 3) Rehash of review plan for both public and internal comments to the VDS, SSAS database, and action items

VDS comments spreadsheet - All public and internal comments received on time will be merged; all others will be under the "Other" tab in the current spreadsheet.

SSAS Database – William was invited to provide a brief report to the committee on what he is currently working on in the database. He said that he had posted a draft example of a webpage for the database subcommittee to review, and that he was currently working on the programming to import data from the Providers into the database. He anticipates demonstrating the website at the TNI Forum in San Antonio.

Action items (under Action Items tab in the VDS comments spreadsheet) – For line item 2, guidance document to be written for Participants Standard is still pending. For line item 3, Jack mentioned that, as far as the Regulators (Richard, Jack, Michael Klein, and Gregg) know, Gary McAlister is still writing the guidance document regarding calculation of concentration of audit samples. Maria requested Regulators to follow-up once in a while with Gary as to when the guidance document will be completed.

Maria asked if members need a summary of EPA's proposed changes to the Federal Register. Mike Miller suggested it would be a good idea. Maria will submit a summary to the Regulators to comment (append or edit), then email to all thereafter.

Gregg added that EPA extended the deadline to submit comments regarding the proposed changes to the Federal Register from July 16 to August 5.

- 4) Resume review of internal comments to VDS; start with Line 4 of the Participants tab

Prior to discussion, it was noted that comments highlighted in yellow will not yet be discussed. They are either pending clarification from commenter or from TNI.

Line 4 – Proposed changes to the Federal Register are not yet finalized/approved so it is not recommended to add the June 9 reference. Maria will propose language to use. Others may do the same. Committee tabled comment for now.

Jim asked when the SSAS Standards will be distributed to the public. Everything else considered, the estimated date is September 15, 2009.

Line 5 – Add the EPA terms after the definitions of the TNI terms in the Definitions section of the Standards. Jim moved; Gregg seconded. Motion carried.

Line 6 – Section 4.1.3 already meets the comment. The “or” clause in the proposed change to the Federal Register allows for submittal of results to the Regulatory Agency first since they are already there at the field, for tests that have to be done in the field. However,

Regulators will not have the true value of the audit sample(s). Mike Miller noted that doing so would invalidate the rest of the audit samples that are yet to be distributed by the Providers. Committee tabled comment for now.

Line 7 – Suggested response was approved. Quorum was present to approve (Maria, Michael Klein, Jack, Gregg, and Mike Schapira).

Gregg suggested that language regarding acceptance of audit samples based on the Table may be added. Gregg was requested to submit language via email to Maria.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:34 PM EDT. Next meeting is on July 13th, 2:00 PM EDT.