

Whole Effluent Toxicity Testing Expert Committee Meeting Summary

January 26, 2016 Tulsa, Oklahoma

1. Welcome, Roll Call, Approval of Minutes and Announcements

Rami Naddy welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced committee members present. Rami also indicated that a form for feedback and questions was being circulated and encouraged all attendees to complete it and return it. Minutes were not considered at this meeting. Attendance is recorded in Attachment 1, below.

2. Slide Presentation

Rami delivered a slide presentation covering the committee's history and the work accomplished to date. The committee's primary focus to date has been the development of a white paper, **The Primary Purpose of the Whole Effluent Toxicity (WET) Proficiency Testing (PT) or Discharge Monitoring Report – Quality Assurance Testing (DMR-QA)**. The paper is posted on the TNI website under the WET Committee. The paper has been submitted to Brian Krausz at EPA for consideration in EPA's program.

Rami also reported that the WET committee had voted to retain the 2009 version of the TNI WET standard and not move to the 2015 version. The committee's primary concern is demonstration of capability. There are concerns that the way it is written is not practical for WET labs. Another concern was the requirement for chemistry tests that are support measurements to meet the TNI standards. The WET committee will work on a revised version of the standards addressing these concerns.

The committee's plans for the future include:

- Continue development of their goals and priorities
- Deliver a WET presentation at the Assessment Forum at the Orange County meeting
- Work on WET specific issue (DoC and analytical support as they relate to WET labs)

Comments and questions from the audience included:

- The committee was encouraged to focus on what creates value for the WET labs
- The committee should try to address inconsistencies in WET methods (could do training, provide checklists, comment on rules, etc.)
- Bob Wyeth encouraged the committee to follow the steps in SOP 2-100 and announce their intent to work on the standard very soon. Bob also suggested that the committee forward their white paper to ELAB for possible forwarding to the FEM.

3. Next Meeting

The WET Expert Committee will meet again on Wednesday, February 17, 2016, at 1 pm Eastern. Teleconference information and an agenda will be circulated in advance of the meeting.

Attachment 1

Committee Membership

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