

**SUMMARY OF THE  
TNI ASBESTOS EXPERT COMMITTEE MEETING  
August 18, 2021**

The Committee met by teleconference on Wednesday, August 18, 2021, at 1:00 PM EDT. Chair Michelle McGowan led the meeting. The meeting was recorded for the sole purpose of preparation of a meeting summary by the Program Administrator and was deleted immediately after preparation of said minutes.

**Roll call**

Zonetta English, Louisville MSD (Lab)	Present
Myron Getman, NYSDOH (AB)	Present
Glen Green, Xcel Energy (Other)	Present
Dixie Marlin, Marlin Quality Management (Other)	Absent
Michelle McGowan, Chair, EMSL Analytical (Lab)	Present
Dan Shelby, EMLab P&K (Lab)	Absent
Maria Friedman, CA Water Board (AB)	Present
Robert Hecker, NYSDOH (other; PTP)	Present
Robert Wyeth, Program Administrator	Present

A quorum was present, and the meeting proceeded. The previously presented agenda was modified to include committee membership and approved by the committee. The revised agenda is presented as Attachment 1.

**Review of July 2021 Minutes**

The July 2021 ATEC minutes, after a few minor editorial corrections were approved on a motion by Zonetta and a second by Robert with a unanimous vote of committee members. The minutes will be forwarded to William for posting.

**Training Reminder**

The revised training program has been completed. Committee member will be required to attend one of the scheduled webinar presentations. The initial presentation was made and recorded on 3/31/2021. All committee members will be advised of the link on the TNI website for attendance. Committee members are to advise Michelle and Bob of when their training was completed and records of said attendance will be maintained in committee files.

**Committee Membership**

An application for committee membership has been received from Ryan Larum of the NJDEP. His application including education and experience were reviewed by the committee. On a motion by Myron and second by Robert, Ryan Larum was elected to serve a 3-year term on the ATEC presenting an Accreditation Body. The committee remains balanced upon addition of Ryan to the committee.

**Response to Comments**

Prior to the meeting Bob circulated a copy of the R2C document for committee consideration. Since the previous ATEC meeting minor/editorial changes were made to the spreadsheet as presented by

Bob. It was noted that a few comments still required the committee's attention. The majority of these comments regarded definitions of time frames required in the ATEC module (i.e., was is semi-annual?). Bob reported that after communicating with the QS chair and consultation with the committee, the use of the following should be considered:

Annual            Every 12 months plus or minus 1 month

Semi-Annual    Every 6 months plus or minus 1 month

Quarterly        Every 3 month plus or minus 2 weeks

Monthly          Every 30 days plus or minus 5 days

Weekly            Every 7 days plus or minus 2 days

Some concern was voiced that the semi-annual plus or minus of 1 month maybe excessive and potentially shortened to 2 weeks.

Bob will present these suggested time frame definitions to the QS committee to ensure that consistency is realized throughout TNI standards and modules. If the QS committee decides on definitions different from those proposed, the ATEC module will comply with the decision of the QS committee.

The other two issues, previously not resolved or tabled, were on Carl Kircher comment regarding section 7.4.5 a) and 7.4.5 b) and Paul Junio's comment on 7.2.3.3. As to Carl's comment the committee decided to accept his suggested additional language and will modify the DS accordingly.

As to the comment on 7.2.3.3 regarding criteria for blanks in asbestos bulk analysis, the decision of the committee was that the concerns expressed were covered in the method(s) and no further information need be provided in Module 3 (comment ruled non-persuasive).

Bob after communicating with QS, will finalize and distribute the R2C spreadsheet for committee approval and subsequent written response to the commentors.

As many of the changes to be presented in the DS are editorial or language has already been agreed to, Bob will prepare a "tracked changes" version of the revised DS for the committee review and approval before re-posting the modified DS and continuing with the overall development process.

### **New/Old Business**

No new or old business was presented or addressed.

The meeting adjourned at 1:50 PM ET. The next meeting of the Asbestos Expert Committee is currently scheduled for Wednesday, September 15, 2021, at 1:00 PM ET.

## **Attachment 1**

# **TNI Asbestos Testing Expert Committee (ATEC)**

## **Conference Call**

Committee Meeting

Wednesday, August 18, 2021, 1PM ET

Call in: 1-712-832-8330

Access code: 822 174#

Michelle McGowan, Chair

Myron Getman, Vice-Chair

### **AGENDA**

- Roll call
- Review and approve Agenda.
- Review of July minutes
- Training reminder
- Committee membership
- Response to comments



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- Old/New Business

Next Meeting: September 15, 2021 @ 1PM ET