#### **Laboratory Accreditation System Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**

#### **November 7, 2012**

#### 1) Roll call and Approval of Minutes

Kirstin Daigle called the TNI LAS EC meeting to order on November 7, 2012, at 1:35 pm Eastern time. Attendance is recorded in Attachment A.

No further comments were received on either the September 5 or October 3 minutes, except that Julia noted she was present for the October 3 meeting, arriving late. The minutes are considered approved and will be forwarded to the webmaster for posting.

#### 2) Standards Interpretation SOP

Kirstin had circulated a draft revision of the SIR SOP (3-105) and this meeting was devoted to discussing and editing that draft. Prior to the meeting, Carol Haines submitted a few edits by email, which were included in the revision.

Kirstin will make the changes and circulate the revision prior to our next meeting on December 5, 2012. Committee members are asked to submit any further comments or edits in advance of that meeting, so that the SOP can be adopted that day and forwarded to the Policy Committee for final approval.

#### 4) Request from NELAP AC for Advice on Addressing Changes to AB Operations

The AC had asked the LAS EC for consensus recommendations on how to address changes to an AB's operations that might require a full evaluation outside of the normal 3-year cycle. This arises from the possibility that one or more ABs may shift to use of a contract accreditation body making recommendations for accreditation to the state.

There was insufficient time remaining to take up this issue, but it will be addressed at the December 5 meeting.

NOTE: As follow-up to the possible involvement of LAS EC with TNI recognition of non-governmental (or third party) ABs (NGABs), it now seems like the AB Task Force II will take an approach that involves neither the LAS EC nor the AC. The ABTFII is charged with assuring that the NGABs undergo some version of peer review to ensure their use of the TNI Environmental Laboratory Sector Standardfor environmental lab accreditations is satisfactory. Final plans remain unsettled.

#### 5) Next Meeting

The next phone conference will be planned for Wednesday, December 5 at 1:30pm Eastern. The agenda will be to adopt the revised SIR SOP 3-105, and to take up the issue of advice requested by the NELAP AC.

Action Items are included in Attachment B.

The meeting was adjourned at about 3:10 pm Eastern time, based on a motion by Judy Morgan seconded by Ann Marie Allen, with unanimous approval.

## Attachment A

# PARTICIPANTS TNI LABORATORY ACCREDITATION COMMITTEE

TNI LABORATORY ACCREDITATION COMMITTEE					
Member	Affiliation	Present?			
Ann Marie Allen (Jan 2007) T: 978-682-5237 x333 E: ann.marie.allen@state.ma.us	Massachusetts, Non-NELAP AB	yes			
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Lynn Bradley T: 540-885-5736 E: lynn.bradley@nelac-institute.org	TNI Program Administrator	yes
Guests: Bob Wyeth,	Chair of Consensus Standards Development Executive Committee	yes

# **Attachment B**

## Action Items - LAS EC

	Action Item	Who	Expected Completion	Actual Completion / Comments
2	Work on references for SIRs in 2009 SIR database.		Establish date at next meeting.	Is this still needed?
12	Talk to Aaren about NELAP AC representation on LAS EC.	Kirstin	3-12-12	Was this done?
13	Publicize that LAS is seeking new members. Check with the absentees about their preference for remaining on the committee.	Kirstin	October 2012	Publicizing completed TNI newsletter article, 10/15/12
16	Draft revisions to SIR SOP 5-101 (renumbered to SOP 3-105)	Kirstin	10/17/12	First round revisions circulated 10/23/12
18	Final draft revisions to SIR SOP	Kirstin	Prior to 12/1/12	