

The NELAC Institute (TNI) Quality Systems Expert Committee Meeting Minutes

The Quality Systems Expert Committee of The NELAC Institute (TNI) met on June 13, 2011 via teleconference. The agenda is attached as Appendix A, the action items are listed in Appendix B, and the attendees are listed in Appendix C.

The roll was taken and the action items reviewed and updated. The May minutes were approved with no changes.

The committee began a final review of the working draft standard. Silky pointed out the changes that were made as a result of the May teleconference and the committee discussed revisions to clarify some of the items:

LOQ – clarified the verification as annually on each instrument.

Reference Method – explained as needed to determine how a laboratory must validate a method (validation per ISO requirements vs. validation based on a shorter set of requirements).

Data Integrity – changed the definition from a process to a condition.

Stephanie Drier brought up some points relative to enforcing certain statements in the standard: She was concerned that wastewater laboratories will have a problem meeting the standards which appeared to be based on drinking water and were therefore "too prescriptive". Discussion on this subject was tabled for future consideration.

- 4.1.7.1 The dual role of a quality manager and technical manager was moved to a statement, rather than a specific requirement.
 - 5.8.7.3 Reference was changed to the correct reference.
 - 1.5.1 Added language stating that all method must be validated before use/

The committee began looking through the checklist. No comments were made during the meeting. Silky reminded the committee that comments on the checklist were due by June 27.

The meeting adjourned at 2:49 pm EDT. The next meeting will be via teleconference on July 11, 2011.

Conference Call Agenda:



The NELAC Institute Quality Systems Expert Committee

June 13, 2011 1:00 pm EDT 1 Hour, 55 Minutes Conference Call

Please Call Dial-in Number: 1-219-509-8222 (East Coast)

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To Associate Members Only: Please RSVP your participation in this call with an email to Silky Labie at <u>elcat-llc@comcast.net</u> (Subject: RSVP for *June 13, 2011*)

Old Business:				
Roll Call	All	5 minutes		
Action Items	All	5 minutes		
Review of May Minutes	All	5 minutes		
Final Review of Working Draft Standard	All	45 min		
New Business:				
Checklist Review	All	55 min		

Appendix B - Action Items

Item No.	Date Proposed	Action	Date to be Completed	Date Completed
30	3-14-11	Fred to consult with Radiochemistry experts concerning comments made on V1M7.	4-11-11	4-11-11
31	3-14-11	Silky to review the spread sheet to ensure that all negative comments were discussed.	ASAP	4-11-11
32	3-14-11	Silky will prepare a new draft standard for review	4-11-11	4-11-11
33	3-14-11	Silky will forward the January and February minutes to the TNI website, and the finalized SIRS to LASC.	ASAP	3-17-11
34	5-9-11	Silky to send out the TNI checklist	ASAP	5-17-11
35	5-9-11	Silky to send out revised standard for final review	ASAP	5-17-11
36	5-9-11	Silky to schedule a July teleconference	ASAP	6-5-11

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