

**Whole Effluent Toxicity Testing Expert Committee Meeting
January 26, 2022 2:00 pm Eastern**

1. Welcome and Announcements

Rami welcomed everyone to the teleconference, which was rescheduled due to the regular date falling during conference week. Attendance is recorded in Attachment 1, below. The agenda was approved by acclamation, and is included as Attachment 2. An extraneous paragraph in the minutes was noticed, and with its deletion agreed upon, the minutes of December 15 were approved by unanimous vote after a motion by Natalie seconded by Caitie, with Katie abstaining due to her absence.

2. Updates

Associate members

Lynn has contacted the associate members to verify their continued interest, and several have dropped out. The committee still needs another full member of the “other” stakeholder category.

Conversation with PTPEC

No further contact yet. Rami will try to talk with Kirstin Daigle, Chair of PT Expert Committee.

Follow-up from conference

Lynn noted that the Technical Manager role is evolving with a new concept as Technical Expert, an individual who need not have supervisory or managerial responsibilities and whose qualifications may rely more heavily on experience than education. The Competency Task Force has been developing this concept for some months and after a special session on competency and credentialing at conference in San Antonio, the concept will be handed to the Quality Management System (QMS) Expert Committee for final refinement and inclusion in the next revision of V1M2. WET will likely need to revisit its earlier Technical Manager qualifications but this should wait until QMS finalizes the basic requirements. The QMS Chair is aware that WET is waiting to do this.

New TNI company page on LinkedIn (<https://www.linkedin.com/company/the-nelac-institute>)

Committee members should be aware that TNI has a contract staffer creating a presence for us on LinkedIn.

3. Review of V1M7

Affirm d and f

There were no further changes requested to 1.7.1.5.d and 1.7.1.5.f.

Continue affirming prior changes to g, h, and i

1.7.1.5.g – add a minimum requirement for Type I water (18Ω)

1.7.1.5.h – add a requirement that the lab have written procedures for the evaluation of water acceptance and evaluation of organism performance in routine reference toxicant tests and / or negative control performance

1.7.1.5.i – add that the written procedures for the evaluation of food acceptance include evaluation of satisfactory performance as indicated in routine reference toxicant tests and / or negative control performance.

Review new edits starting with k

1.7.1.5.j – delete this section. “Should” does not belong in the Standard and often clients decline to pay for this which would require the lab to do it without a fee.

1.7.1.5.k – remains as is.

1.7.1.5.l – remains as is.

1.7.1.5.m – remains as is.

1.7.1.5.n – remains as is.

1.7.1.5.o – remains as is.

1.7.1.5.p – remains as is.

1.7.1.5.q – remains as is; assessors are expected to be satisfied with supplier records.

1.7.1.5.r – remains as is.

1.7.1.5.s – remains as is.

The review will resume at subsection t for the February meeting.

4. New Business

A new associate member had joined late, so Rami asked KC Lee to please introduce herself before adjournment.

Rami adjourned the meeting.

5. Next Meeting

The next teleconference meeting will be **Wednesday, February 16, at 1 pm Eastern**. All members will receive a WebEx invitation for screen sharing – expect that to arrive on the morning of the meeting date, as an email from Ilona Taunton. The agenda and any needed documents will be sent in advance.

Attachment 1

WET Expert Committee Membership

Member	Affiliation	Email	Category	Term Expiration	Present
Dwayne Burkholder	PA DEP	dburkholde@pa.gov	AB	Jan. 2024 (1)	No
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Thekkekalathil "Chandra" Chandrasekhar	FL DEP	Thekkekalathil.Chandrasekhar@dep.state.fl.us	Lab	Jan. 2024 (1)	Yes
Stephen Clark	Pacific EcoRisk	slclark@pacificecorisk.com	Lab	Jan. 2024 (1)	No
Rami Naddy (Chair)	TRE Env. Strat. LLC	naddyrb.tre@gmail.com	Lab	Jan. 2024 (3)	Yes
Teresa Norberg-King	USEPA	norberg-king.teresa@epa.gov	Other (Affiliate)	Jan. 2022	Yes
John Overbey	American Interplex Corp.	joverbey@americaninterplex.com	Lab	Jan. 2024 (2)	No
Natalie Love	GEI Consultants	nlove@geiconsultants.com	Other	Jan. 2024 (1)	Yes
Rosana McConkey	WA Dept. of Ecology	rosa461@ECY.WA.GOV	Non-NELAP AB	Jan. 2024 (1)	No
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Elizabeth West	LA DEQ LELAP	elizabeth.west@la.gov	AB (assoc.)		No

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Attachment 2 – Agenda

- Welcome and Roll Call
- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of Minutes (December minutes attached)
- Brief Updates
 - Associate members
 - Conversation with PTPEC (if available)
 - Follow-up from conference
 - New TNI company page on LinkedIn (<https://www.linkedin.com/company/the-nelac-institute>)
- Resume Review of §1.7.1.5 (see draft V1M7, attached)
 - Affirm d and f
 - Continue affirming prior changes to g, h, and i
 - Review new edits starting with k
- Reminder to Review §1.5 and 1.6 (please provide your feedback to Rami and Lynn)
- New Business, if any
- Adjourn