

Environmental Laboratory Advisory Committee (ELAC) FINAL Meeting Minutes March 11, 2021

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Administrative Business:

The meeting was called to order at 9:40am by ELAC Chair, Rose Koplin (Accredited Analytical Resources, Inc.), Meeting minutes were taken by Steve Witkowski (New Jersey Analytical), ELAC secretary. This meeting was held via Microsoft Teams.

The February ELAC Meeting Minutes were approved with a motion by Eileen Synder (Alpha) and seconded by Nick Straccione (EMSL).

Environmental Laboratory Certification Program (ELCP): Rachel Ellis (NJDEP-OQA) provided an update.

The NJDEP is currently working remotely as well as shift staggering in the office. The main phone line is still open and can handle any calls.

Lab renewals are out and are due back to OQA by 4/1/21. Email OQA if the lab has not received their renewal package. The website will be updated with the new documents.

Alkalinity and Ignitability have been updated; information is included in renewal packages.

Questions on the certification program should be directed to Rachel Ellis at rachel.ellis@dep.nj.gov .

Rule Amendment: Rachel Ellis (NJDEP-OQA) provided an update.

No Update

<u>Proficiency Test (PT) Program:</u> Rachel Ellis (NJDEP-OQA) provided an update.

NPW study starts 3/1 with results due to OQA by 5/5/21. Letters are currently out.

Air results due to OQA by 3/19

SCM study starts 4/1.

PT study dates are on the OQA website.

TNI Labs are reminded of new FoPT taking effect 3/1 and TNI labs must follow all fields even if not included on the NJ list.

Questions on the proficiency testing program should be directed to Rachel Ellis at rachel.ellis@dep.nj.gov.

The NELAC Institute (TNI):

No Update

Check the TNI website for additional information http://www.nelac-institute.org/.

Division of Water Supply/Safe Drinking Water:

EPA 533 is acceptable for submission to E-2 for PFAS. Updated E-2 quick reference guide to be released shortly.

Field blanks will be required for PWTA PFAS testing. BSDW is working on a FAQ document for PWTA

Questions on the Drinking Water Program may be emailed to Kelly Meccia <u>Kelley.Meccia@dep.nj.gov</u> or Joanna Caporossi joanna.caporossi@dep.nj.gov

Site Remediation & Waste Management Program (SRWMP): Amy Bowman (NJDEP-SRP) provided an update.

The remediation standards have a targeted publication date of May 2021.

Vapor intrusion technical guidance will be effective after the remediation standards are adopted.

Questions on the SRWMP program may be emailed to Greg Toffoli (NJDEP-SRWMP) at greg.toffoli@dep.nj.gov.

New Business:

It is anticipated that ELAC meetings will be virtual for the foreseeable future.

EDD Subcommittee

No updates, continued background programming being done. This committee will be placed on hold for the time being until the NJDEP-SRWMP-BIS department notifies the ELAC committee of any changes.

Questions and comments may be directed to Ken Liao (NJDEP-SRWMP-BIS) at ken.liao@dep.nj.gov

Communications / OQA Website:

The OQA Website is up to date.

<u>Meeting Schedule</u>: The Meeting was adjourned at 9:55 am with a motion by Nick Straccione (EMSL) and seconded by Eileen Synder (Alpha). The next scheduled ELAC Meeting will be held on **April 8, 2021 at 9:30am**, via Microsoft Teams. **Those planning to attend must email the ELAC Chair or secretary.**

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