

**SUMMARY OF THE
TNI ASBESTOS EXPERT COMMITTEE MEETING
April 17, 2024**

The Committee met by teleconference on Wednesday, April 17, 2024 at 1:00 PM EDT. 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)	Absent
Myron Getman, Vice-Chair, NYSDOH (AB)	Present
Glen Green, Xcel Energy (Other)	Present
Tina Buttermore, Pace Analytical Services (Lab)	Present
Michelle McGowan, Chair, EMSL Analytical (Lab)	Present
Maria Friedman, CA Water Board (AB)	Absent
Robert Hecker, NYSDOH (other; PTP)	Present
Robert Wyeth, Program Administrator	Present

A quorum was present, and the meeting proceeded.

Kyle Kroeze, a prospective new member of the committee representing NJ DEP was also present on the call.

Review and Approval of Agenda

The anticipated agenda is presented in Attachment 1.

Approval of November Minutes

November 2023 minutes were previously distributed for review and comment. The minutes were approved by email ballot and will be forwarded to William for posting.



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Webinar for EL V1M3

The topic of a webinar for the recently revised EL V1M3 was discussed, As the revisions were minor (primarily just updates) and principally a reorganization of the standard, the consensus was that a webinar was not needed, nor would it be widely attended.

The discussion suggested however that a webinar on the overall module might be more beneficial to labs and ABs particularly as neither an Asbestos Testing webinar nor presentation has ever been made (to the knowledge of committee members). This topic will be added to future agendas

Current Committee Status

While committee activities have been relatively dormant, the current status of the committee is of concern based upon potential rotation off the committee, committee leadership, and potential developing balance issues and committee size.

Three committee members are, by necessity, serving a third term (Zonetta, Glen, and Myron). Standard procedures are not to serve more than 2 terms. Michelle's second term is also expiring as is her Chair role for the committee.

The committee has only two associates. One of which is Kevin Kroeze, who has applied for full membership, which will be addressed later in this meeting. The other has consistently been unable to serve as a full member for a variety of reasons. Bob asked the members in attendance for suggestions on attracting new members. Bob and the committee were advised of 2 potential new members who would be applying. Bob will contact both for more information. It was also suggested that the Bureau Veritas organization and the Eurofins, Houston office might have an interest in participation. Again, Bob will follow up. If these situations were to transpire the ATEC would reflect 4 AB, 4 Lab and 2 Other plus a potential number of new associates

Regarding committee leadership, Michelle is unavailable to continue as chair of the ATEC and Myron is also stepping down from his role as vice-chair. Robert Hecker has volunteered for the Vice chair role, but a new chair will have to be elected at a future meeting.

The last item regarding committee status was the rescheduling of ATEC meeting on a quarterly as opposed to monthly basis. The motion to approve this change was modified to include other meetings as necessary to provide for the timely response of the committee to issues presented to the ATEC. Glen made the modified motion which was seconded by Tina and unanimously approved.

Old/New Business

TNI's credentialing efforts require exam questions for any application for a Quality Control digital badge and/or a specific Asbestos testing badge. Michelle and Robert volunteered to prepare a list of potential exam questions to be used for this purpose.

Internal audit of the ATEC has been completed. Any further action awaits instruction from the Policy Committee.

Membership Update – Closed Session

Kyle was excused from the meeting as the committee discussed his pending membership as a full voting member. After discussions, a motion was made by Tina and seconded by Michelle. The balloting was incomplete as the votes of Zonetta and Maria are required. Their votes have been solicited by email with a summary of the committee's discussions during the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 PM ET. The next meeting of the Asbestos Expert Committee has not been scheduled as the decision of the committee was to establish a quarterly meeting schedule. Any and all interested parties will be notified well in advance of any future scheduled meeting. It is anticipated that upon selection of a chair and vice-chair a defined schedule will be established and post on the TNI website.

Attachment 1

TNI Asbestos Testing Expert Committee (ATEC)

Conference Call

Committee Meeting

Wednesday, April 17, 2024 1PM ET

Michelle McGowan, Chair

Myron Getman, Vice-Chair

AGENDA

Microsoft Teams meeting

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