

**SUMMARY OF THE
TNI ASBESTOS EXPERT COMMITTEE MEETING
August 20, 2025**

The Committee met by teleconference on Wednesday, August 20, 2025, at 1:00 PM EDT. The meeting was led by Chair Robert Hecker. The call was recorded for the sole purpose of preparation of a meeting summary by the Program Administrator and will be deleted immediately after preparation of said minutes.

Roll call

Lisa Beach, Bureau Veritas (Lab)	Absent
Tina Buttermore, Pace Analytical Services (Lab)	Absent
Michelle McGowan, EMSL Analytical (Lab)	Present
Kathleen Bartley, Vice-Chair, NYSDOH (AB)	Present
Megan Fisher, Eurofins (Lab)	Present
Kyle Kroeze, NJDEP (AB)	Present
Maria Friedman, CA Water Board (AB)	Present
Tammy Kreutzer, NRC Labs (lab)	Present
Robert Hecker, Chair, NYSDOH (other; PTP)	Present
Robert Wyeth, Program Administrator	Present

A quorum was present, and the meeting proceeded.

Review and Approval of Agenda

The agenda is presented in Attachment 1. The agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

July Minutes Approval

July 16, 2025, minutes of the committee were previously distributed for review and comment. After a motion by Maria and a second by Michelle, the committee unanimously approved the minutes. Minutes will be sent to William for posting.

Work Group discussion on SRM Availability

Robert began with a brief summary of some of the work group efforts and introduced Michelle's issue as noted below as new business. After lengthy technical discussion regarding not only the problem of SRM availability but the technical aspects of assuring equivalency, the consensus of the committee was to develop an Implementation Guidance document as opposed to any attempts to open EL V1M3 and address the issue in that fashion. It was felt that the module itself was still appropriately presented and the issue of SRM availability would be best addressed by alternative means.

On a motion by Michelle and a second by Kathleen, and the unanimous vote of those present, Robert as ATEC Chair was directed to redirect the work group efforts to the development of the guidance document by first preparing an outline of the committee's approach to the issue of defining equivalence (i.e., addressing each SRM referenced in the module based on usage and/or degree of difficulty in availability, tracking through and addressing them in order of presentation, etc.).

Old/New Business

In an email dated 8/19/2025, Michelle McGown raised the following issue for committee consideration.

“Why do we mandate 2063 in the asbestos module for air/bulk analysis if it is only in water method EPA 100.2?- ISO 10312 also requires K-Factor but I think more importantly NVLAP requires it, and my understanding is that to read AHERA in schools a lab is required to have NVLAP accreditation. “

The meeting adjourned at 1:56 PM ET. The next meeting of the Asbestos Expert Committee will be Wednesday, September 17, 2025, at 1:00 PM ET.

Attachment 1

TNI Asbestos Testing Expert Committee (ATEC)

Conference Call

Committee Meeting

Wednesday, August 20, 2025, 1:00 PM ET

Robert Hecker, Chair

Kathleen Bartley, Vice-Chair

AGENDA

- Roll call
- Review and Approve Agenda
- July Minutes approval and submission



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- Work Group discussion on SRM Availability
- Old/New Business

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