

SUMMARY

TNI CHEMISTRY EXPERT COMMITTEE MEETING

January 7, 2026

The Chemistry Expert Committee (CEC) met Wednesday, January 7, 2026 at 2:00 PM ET. The meeting was conducted using Microsoft Teams. The meeting was recorded, and the recording will be deleted after the preparation of the meeting minutes. CEC Chair Michelle Wade led the meeting.

Roll Call

Joseph Manzella, OCSD (Lab)	Present
Nicole Cairns, NYS DOH (Lab)	Present
Melissa Jackson, OR ELAB (AB)	Absent
Calista Daigle, Pace (Lab)	Present
Tony Francis, Saw Environmental (Other)- Vice Chair	Present
Durant Maske, Southern Companies (Lab)	Present
Stephanie Rippeon, A2LA (AB)	Absent
Donaciano Cantu, Red River Scientific (other)	Absent
Nevein Narouz, City of St. Petersburg, FL	Absent
Anand Mudambi, Retired US EPA	Absent
Denice Johnson, NEORSD (Lab)	Present
Ali Boren, State of Vermont (AB)	Present
Joann Slavin, NYSDOH (AB)	Present
Chad Stoike, ALS Global (Lab)	Present
Michelle Wade, Wade Consulting (Other)- Chair	Present
Robert Wyeth, Program Administrator	Present

A quorum was present. The meeting continued bas per the attached agenda.

The associate members present were Ashley Pierce, Antoine Chamsi, Shayne Cole, Paula Blaze, Joseph Anderson, Cliff Baldrige, Pavel Grunwald, Debbie Bond, Fida Kased, Athur Denny, Marie Wu, Johnny Mitchell, Peter Coral, Michelle Anguiano, Jeanette Tang, Hung Yu, Kyle Grogan, Greg Agee, Nicole VanAken, Paul Junio, Ryan Lerch, and Carl Kircher.

Approval/Modification of the Agenda

The agenda for the January 7, 2026 meeting is presented in Attachment 1. The agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

Review of December 3, 2025 Minutes

The December 3, 2025 draft minutes were previously presented for review. The minutes were motioned for approval by Nicole and seconded by Joe. The minutes were unanimously approved and will be forwarded to William for posting.



CEC Minutes
12.03.2025.docx

Committee Leadership and Membership

The current roster illustrating the status of the voting members of the committee is attached below. At the present time 5 members of the CEC will rotate off the committee after the Winter/Boston meeting. These rotations will result in the need for a new Chair and Vice-Chair of the CEC which will be addressed further during the closed session at the end of this meeting. All 5 members rotating off have agreed to remain as Associate members. Denice and Terrell, whose first term expires, have agreed to accept a second term.

Associate members were also advised that they will be requested to express their continued interest in serving on the CEC in 2026 and if any are interested in consideration for full voting membership.



CEC Roster
considerations for 2026

Boston Presentation

The work-in-progress presentation for the CEC session at the Boston meeting was presented for committee review and is attached below.



CEC Presentation
Boston Jan 2026.pptx

Review of Comments (R2C)

The comment period for EL V1M4 Draft Standard (DS) was extended to 120 at the request of the AC. The comment period closed on December 13, 2025. All comments received prior to this date have been and will continue to be recorded on the Response to Comments form (R2C) and will be addressed by the committee with all commenters advised as to the disposition of their comment(s).

Nicole and Michelle led the committee through review of comments and made edits consistent with the approval of the members present through the DoC sections. In the next meeting review will continue beginning with Section 8.0 Technical Requirements. The Revisions proposed for the DS are illustrated in the attached. A motion to accept said changes was presented by Denice, seconded by Terrell, and unanimously approved by the committee.



STD-ELV1M4-2025-R
ev.3.0_Draft Standard

New/Old Business

No new or old business was presented.

Closed Session

The CEC went into closed session with the departure of all Associate members. Bob reviewed the roster situation as provided above and advised the committee that Michelle's term as Chair and Tony's as Vice Chair had expired. A new leadership team was needed and Nicole volunteered to serve as Chair. Denice volunteered to serve as Vice-Chair. No other nominations for either role were received. On a motion by Calista and a second by Joe, Nicole and Denice were elected unanimously to serve as Chair and Vice Chair, respectively. This leadership change will be announced at the Boston meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:35 PM ET. The next scheduled meeting of the CEC is January 14, 2026 during the Forum on Environmental Accreditation in Boston, MA. The next conference call is scheduled for February 4, 2026 at 2:00 PM ET.

Attachment 1

Chemistry Expert Committee Meeting January 7, 2026 2:00 PM ET

Agenda

Michelle Wade, Chair
Tony Francis, Vice-Chair

1. Roll call.
 2. Approval/modifications of agenda
 3. Review of December meetings minutes
 4. Committee Leadership and membership
 5. Boston Presentation
 6. Review of comments (R2C)
 - a. Revised Draft of EL V1M4
 7. New/old business
 8. **Closed Session: Chair, Vice Chair election**
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