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**SUMMARY**  
**TNI CHEMISTRY EXPERT COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**February 4, 2026**

The Chemistry Expert Committee (~~GEC~~) met Wednesday, February 4, 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. ~~GEC~~[Chemistry Expert Committee](#) Chair Nicole Cairns led the meeting.

**Roll Call**

Joseph Manzella, OCSD (Lab)	Present
Nicole Cairns, NYS DOH (Lab) – Chair	Present
Melissa Jackson, OR ELAB (AB)	Present
Durant Maske, Southern Companies (Lab)	Present
Stephanie Rippeon, A2LA (AB)	Present
Donaciano Cantu, Red River Scientific (other)	Absent
Nevein Narouz, City of St. Petersburg, FL	Present
Anand Mudambi, Retired US EPA	Present
Denice Johnson, NEORSD (Lab) -Vice-Chair	Absent
Joann Slavin, NYSDOH (AB)	Present
Robert Wyeth, Program Administrator	Present

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

The associate members present were Ashley Pierce, Antoine Chamsi, Paula Blaze, Joseph Anderson, Cliff Baldrige, Pavel Grunwald, Debbie Bond, Fida Kased, Athur Denny, Michelle Anguiano, Hung Yu, Kyle Grogan, Greg Agee, Nicole VanAken, Ryan Lerch, Ashley Roberts, Homer Youngblood, Brian Neal, Tony Francis, Daniel Brown, Joy Cook, and Scott Giatpaiboon.

**Approval/Modification of the Agenda**

The agenda for the February 4, 2026 meeting is presented in Attachment 1. After clarification of the Closed Session agenda item, the agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

**Review of January 2026 Minutes**

The January 7, 2026 draft minutes were previously presented for review. After a minor editorial change, the minutes were motioned for approval by Joe and seconded by Durant. The minutes were unanimously approved and will be forwarded to William for posting.



CEC Minutes  
01.07.2026.docx

**Summary of Boston Conference**

Bob and Nicole presented a summary of the ~~GEC~~[Chemistry Expert Committee](#) meeting during the Boston Forum on Environmental Accreditation. The attached document will be amended to add participant information, formatted as minutes, and submitted to William for posting.



CEC Summary from  
Boston Meeting.docx

## Committee Membership

The [CEC Chemistry Expert Committee](#) has experienced 5 members rotating off the committee and has solicited all interested Associate members who would like to attain voting member status. A total of 13 associate members have expressed said interest. While no elections will occur during the February meeting, a file of all 13 candidates including resumes/biographies will be distributed prior to the next meeting where an additional closed session will be scheduled to fill the vacancies on the [CEC Chemistry Expert Committee](#).

It was noted that all interested candidates were sufficiently qualified to fill said vacancies and were thanked for their continued support of the committee's efforts. Maintaining the required balance on the [CEC Chemistry Expert Committee](#), however, will be a key factor in the decision process.

## Review of Comments (R2C); Revised Draft of EL V1M4

Nicole reviewed the approach being taken to review the submitted comments. She indicated that the committee had received 505 comments. Many, however, were editorial or duplicative. She further sorted the comments by the section of the DS and duplicate comments will be addressed together. The R2C form was then presented along with the most recent version of EL V1M4 for discussion. The following attachments illustrate the comments and/or changes made during the meeting. The committee began with §5.0 and went through §5.1. and 5.2. In March, the committee will continue at §5.3. To the extent possible as the committee reviewed these sections, notations were also made as appropriate in the DS.



Response to  
Comment Form EL V1



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

## New/Old Business

No new or old business was presented.

## Closed Session Member Election

As noted above in the Committee Membership notes, no closed session or election was held during the February meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:35 PM ET. [The next](#) call is scheduled for March 4, 2026 at 2:00 PM ET.

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## Attachment 1

### Chemistry Expert Committee Meeting February 4, 2026 2:00 PM ET

#### Agenda

Nicole Cairns, Chair  
Denice Johnson, Vice-Chair

1. Roll call
  2. Approval/modifications of agenda
  3. Review of January meetings minutes
  4. Summary of Boston Conference
  5. Committee membership
  6. Review of comments (R2C)
    - a. Revised Draft of EL V1M4
  7. New/old business
  8. **Closed Session: Member election**
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