Summary of the Laboratory Accreditation Body Expert Committee Meeting Tuesday, December 17, 2024 1:00 pm Eastern

1. Welcome and Roll Call

Aaren welcomed everyone to this meeting. Attendance is recorded in Attachment 1. The agenda was accepted by unanimous consent and is shown in Attachment 2.

The minutes from November 22 were approved unanimously after a motion by Mike, seconded by Millie.

2. Vote on Persuasiveness of Remaining Comments

Aaren explained that the definitions section 3.0 must be reordered, as the Consensus Standards Development Executive Committee has determined that ISO definitions will be included in a dedicated section and in the same order as ISO/IEC 17011, with TNI definitions in a separate section and in alphabetical order. The comments discussed are summarized in the table below.

| Com- ment # | Row # | Section | Per sua- sive/ Non | Motion and Vote | Discussion | Assignment to Revise, if persuasive |
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| 25 | 29 | 6.1.2.9.3 Renumbered to be 6.1.2.12 | P | Millie/Nilda Unanimous | Competence is a higher bar than completing training | The word "on-going" was removed, and training clarified to be competence |
| 47 | 30 | 6.1.3.2.1 | Р | Bill/Millie unanimous | Added a note to clarify what a qualified assessor is | |
| 26 | 31 | 6.1.3.2.1 note | Р | Amy/Bill unanimous | Restore the note without the virtual option | |
| 27 | 33 | 6.1.3.7 | NP | Affirmed by unanimous consent | Same comment as #48, discussed and voted 1/16/24 | |
| 49 | 34 | 6.2.2.1 | Not voted | Discuss at conference in Jacksonville | | |
| 28 | 35 | 6.2.2.2 | P | Amy/Jody unanimous | Clarified to state that assessor must affirm commitment to ethical standards prior to first assessment; deleted phrase "employed directly or under contract" | |
| 50 | 36 | 6.2.3.1 | Not voted | Discuss at conference in Jacksonville | | Two proposals: 1 – ABs must allow time to complete thorough assessments taking into account the scope of the |

| | | | | | | assessment, the number of assessors, the size of the CAB and the number of nonconformances identified during the previous assessment, or 2 – the AB must complete the assessments using resources proportional to the scope of the lab and the volume of its work |
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3. Discuss Agenda for LAB Conference Session (Wednesday morning, February 5)

In addition to the two issues identified during today's discussion, Aaren would like to take up the items identified in an email about today's tentative agenda and she will go through the draft module and create a list for Lynn to work from.

4. New Business

Both Michella and Sviatlana would like to be re-elected to serve second terms.

5. Next Meeting

The next planned teleconference meeting is scheduled for <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>January 21</u>, <u>2025</u>, <u>at 1:00</u> <u>pm Eastern</u>.

Aaren asks that committee members unable to attend please notify her and Lynn prior to the meeting date.

Attachment 1 LAB Expert Committee Roster

| Name/Email | Term ends | Affiliation | Present? |
|--|-------------------------------------|--|----------|
| Aaren Alger, Chair Aaren.s.alger@gmail.com | 1/30/2026 (2nd term) | Other – Alger Consulting & Training | Yes |
| Socorro Baldonado sbaldonado@mwdh2o.com | 1/30/2026 (2nd term) | Lab – Metropolitan Water District, La Verne, CA | Yes |
| Nilda Cox nilda.cox@et.eurofinsus.com | 1/30/2025 (2nd term) | Lab – Eurofins Eaton Analytical LLC | Yes |
| Bill Hall george.w.hall@des.nh.gov | 1/30/2026 (1st term) | AB – NH DES | Yes |
| Sviatlana Haubner Sviatlana.Haubner@cincinnati-oh.gov | 1/30/2025 (1 st term) | LAB – Cincinnati Metropolitan Sewer District | Yes |
| Michella Karapondo Karapondo.michella@epa.gov | 1/30/2025 (1st term) | Other – EPA OGWDW TSC/Cincinnati | No |
| Jody Koehler Jody.koehler@tceq.texas.gov | 1/30/2028 (1 st term) | AB – TCEQ | Yes |
| Michael Perry michael.perry@lvvwd.com | 1/30/2026 (2nd term) | Lab – Southern Nevada Water Authority | Yes |
| Zaneta Popovska zpopovska@anab.org | 1/30/2025 (2nd term) | AB – ANAB | No |
| Millie Rose Millie.Rose@illinois.gov | 1/30/2028 (1st term) | AB – IL EPA | Yes |
| Amy Steuerwald amy.steuerwald@health.ny.gov | 1/30/27 (1st term) | AB – NY DOH | Yes |
| Program Administrator: Lynn Bradley Lynn.Bradley@nelac-institute.org | N/A | | Yes |
| Associate Members: | 1 | | 1 |
| Paul Bergeron Paul.bergeron@la.gov | | AB – LDEQ | Yes |
| Debbie Bond dbond@southernco.com | | LAB – Alabama Power | No |
| Yumi Creason <u>ycreason@pa.gov</u> | | Other | No |
| Taryn Hurley taryn.hurley@deq.ok.gov | | AB – OK DEQ | No |
| Paul Junio paul.junio@pacelabs.com | | LAB – Pace Labs, Inc. | No |
| LeeAnn Kline <u>Ikline@mjreider.com</u> | | M J Reider Associates | Yes |
| Ryan Lerch Ryan.lerch@deq.ok.gov | | AB – OK DEQ | Yes |
| Marlene Moore mmoore@advancedsys.com | | Other – Advanced Systems, Inc., Newark, DE | No |
| Mei Beth Shepherd, Vice Chair mbshep@sheptechserv.com | | Other – Shepherd Technical Services | No |
| Nicholas Slawson nslawson@a2la.org | | AB – A2LA | No |

| Ilona Taunton | Other – TNI Program Administrator | No |
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| <u>Ilona.taunton@nelac-institute.org</u> | - | |
| Cathy Westerman | AB – VA DCLS | No |
| cathy.westerman@dgs.virginia.gov | | |

Attachment 2 - LAB Expert Committee Meeting Agenda

- Welcome and Roll Call
- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of Minutes (November minutes attached)
- Vote on Persuasiveness of Remaining Comments (see attached response-to-comments spreadsheet and current draft V2M1 module this assumes a quorum is present)
- Consider ISO Text Identified for Removal or Clarification (if no quorum)
- Discuss Agenda for LAB Conference Session (Wednesday morning, February 5, 3.5 hours)
- New Business, if any
- Adjourn