

**PTPEC Chemistry FoPT Subcommittee**  
**Proficiency Testing Program Executive Committee**

**Meeting Summary**  
**November 14, 2025**

**Welcome and Roll Call**

Subcommittee Chair Amy DeMarco welcomed participants to the call. The meeting was conducted utilizing Microsoft Teams. Participants were advised that the call was being recorded and that the recording would be deleted after approval of the meeting minutes.

Roll Call

Amy DeMarco	Present
Stephen Arpie	Absent
Kathryn Chang	Present
Kevin Thompson	Absent
Rachel Ellis	Present
Charles Faulk	Absent
Matt Graves	Absent
Svetlana Izosimova	Present
Carl Kircher	Present
Patrick Selig	Absent
Aaron Bindel	Present
Bob Wyeth-Program Administrator	Present

A quorum was present and the meeting proceeded.

**Approval of the Agenda**

The agenda, attached below, was previously presented to all members of the subcommittee. No additions, deletions or changes were proposed and the agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

**Review of Past Meeting Minutes**

No meeting minutes were available for review. Bob will seek June, July and October meeting minutes for review and approval during the next subcommittee meeting.

**Uranium (mass) FoPT table inquiry**

An AB has made an inquiry into the listing of Uranium in the DW FoPT tables. Uranium (mass) is list in the radiochemistry DW table along with Uranium (activity). These listings

generally refer to analyses by ICP and gamma spectroscopy methods, respectively. The inquiry/request was to add a line item on the DW Inorganic FoPT table as follows:

Trace Metals				µg/L	
0235	1000	7429-90-5	Aluminum	130 to 1000	± 20% at < 500 ± 15% ≥ 500
↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
0143	1165	7440-28-0	Thallium <sup>1</sup>	2 to 10	±30% fixed acceptance limit
<b>0014</b>	<b>1184</b>	<b>7440-61-1</b>	<b>Uranium (mass)</b>	<b>View limits on Radiochemistry FOPT Table</b>	
0238	1185	7440-62-2	Vanadium	50 to 1000	±15% fixed acceptance limit
0239	1190	7440-66-6	Zinc	200 to 2000	±15% fixed acceptance limit

The group discussed adding the analyte Uranium (mass) with limits to the DW Inorganic FoPT table. After discussion by the members present, Rachel made a motion, seconded by Carl, to prepare an ARA for PTPEC consideration that Uranium (mass) be added to the DW FoPT table for inorganic constituents. It was the consensus of the members present that the listing of Uranium (mass) could remain on the radiochemistry DW FoPT table.

Amy and Rachel agreed to speak with the AB making said inquiry has to any desire they may have to sponsor this ARA.

This action was supported a motion from Rachel and a second by Kathryn that was unanimously approved by members present.

### Radiochemistry FoPT table Workgroup

Amy discussed a letter presented to EPA for support of recommended changes to acceptance limits on the DW Radiochemistry FoPT table. As an action item to move forward, a work group is being formed consisting of EPA DW staff, PT provider(s), Radiochemistry Expert Committee member(s), and volunteers from this subcommittee to address this proposal. Amy asked members present to advise her of their willingness to participate.

### FoPT 10-year review -Drinking Water

Data specific to Alkalinity, Silica, Sodium, Surfactants (MBAS), Total Residual Chlorine and Total organic Carbon were subjected to evaluation and review. After tis detail assessment, no changes were proposed for acceptance limits for any of these analytes. This concluded the 10-year review of Drinking Water inorganic analytes.

Following a motion by Carl and a second by Rachel, these results for the 10-year review for inorganics in DW will be submitted to the PTPEC. The motion was unanimously approved.

### Next Meeting Goals

The next meeting will focus on DW organic acceptance criteria review assuming sufficient progress is made with these evaluations as well as other routine administrative matters.

### **Open Discussion; New/Old business**

No further discussion was initiated nor new/old business presented.

The November 14, 2025 meeting of the PTPEC Chemistry FoPT Subcommittee adjourned at 2:00 PM ET. The next meeting of the subcommittee is scheduled for Thursday, December 4, 2025 at 11:00 AM ET utilizing Microsoft Teams.

## **AGENDA**

### **PTPEC Chemistry FoPT Subcommittee Friday, November 14, 2025; 1:00 PM ET**

- Welcome and Roll Call
- Approval of the Agenda
- Review of Past Meeting Minutes
- Uranium (mass) FoPT table inquiry
- Radiochemistry FoPT table Workgroup
- FoPT 10-year review -Drinking Water
  - Discuss analytes received / not received to date
  - Review and take action on analytes that have been sent via email on 09/23/2025 (Alkalinity, Silica, Sodium, Surfactants, Total Organic Carbon and Total Residual Chlorine).
- Discuss next meeting goals
- Open Discussion; New/Old Business

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