

# **TNI PT Program Executive Committee Meeting Summary**

**January 10, 2023**

## 1. Roll call, approval of minutes and overview:

Chair, Stacie Crandall, called the TNI PT Program Executive Committee (PTPEC) meeting to order at 1pm Central on January 10, 2023 in San Antonio, TX. There were five (5) voting members present: Rachel Ellis, Susan Jackson, Stacie Crandall, Patrick Selig and Tim Miller. Each person introduced themselves.

There was not a quorum present at the meeting so no formal committee business could be done.

## 2. PTPEC 2022 Accomplishments

Stacie reviewed the 2022 Accomplishments:

- Reconvened and developed Scopes of Work for WET and Chemistry FoPT Subcommittees.
- Revised Radiochemistry Drinking Water FoPT Table.
- Continued work on PFAS Drinking Water application.
- Completed DRAFT of SOP 4-101: Recommendation, Evaluation, and Calculation of Acceptance Criteria and Applicable Concentration Ranges for Proficiency Tests
- Worked on updating SOP 4-107: FoPT Table Management
- Updated Evaluation SOP
- Completed PTPA Checklist in preparation for evaluations in 2023.

## 3. Advocacy White Paper

A PT position statement was written a long time ago and the Committee now needs to update this.

Stacie shared the previous version of this document on screen. The Committee wants to emphasize that labs can use PTs to help document the defensibility of their data.

## 5. DMR-QA

DMR-QA is requesting formal comments. Craig Huff noted that DMR-QA posts this in the federal register every 3 years to get comment. The comment period ends 1/30/23.

Jerry Parr would like to see the Committee prepare a comment to expand Wastewater for additional analytes based on our FoPT tables. Stacie will add this to the list of things to be considered. Another thought is to let them know that we are working PFAS to our FoPT tables so it is on their radar.

Comments will need to go through Advocacy that come from TNI. The WET Subcommittee will also look at preparing comments. Craig Huff will handle this. Comments need to be sent to Jerry Parr by January 23, 2023 so that Advocacy has enough time to review it.

There was some confusion. There is not a 2023 announcement letter, so you have to look at the 2022 letter. The due date is correct.

## 6. Subcommittee Updates

Chemistry FoPT Subcommittee - Amy DeMarco (Chair) reviewed the Subcommittee's purpose.

WET FoPT Subcommittee – Craig Huff (Chair) shared that WET has been dealing with challenges with PTs. There is a discrepancy between what is happening in the labs and what is being required by DMR-QA. They will also need to look at method and analyte codes.

PTP SOP Subcommittee – Eric Smith is Chairing this Subcommittee. Stacie reported that the Subcommittee is working on SOP 4-101 (Recommendation, Evaluation, and Calculation of Acceptance Criteria and Applicable Concentration Ranges for Proficiency Tests) and has finished up SOP 4-107 (FoPT Table Management) for comment. The PTPEC needs to vote to finalize 4-107 so it can be sent to the Policy Committee for final review and approval.

## 7. Radiochemistry FoPT Table Update

Craig Huff has reviewed the information and is concerned about what the new limits for gross alpha and gross beta in Drinking Water. Craig will send his review and it will be discussed during the PTPEC February meeting.

## 8. SOP 4-107 – FoPT Table Management

This SOP was recently updated. Stacie shared the updated version. It was noted that the SASS comment needs to be deleted in the purpose.

Stacie asked if people would like to see some FoPT table training during the summer meeting. There were nods. People are also interested in training on how to update analyses on the FoPT table.

Additional comments:

- Spell out CAS, WETT
- Update Sponsor to new language - See 17000:2022.

## 9. 2023 Goals Discussion

Stacie asked for input on 2023 goals for the Committee.

- a. Jerry commented that he talked to Shawn Kassner (previous PTPEC Chair) about an issue with Oil and Grease codes. They need to be cleaned up.
  - N-hexane - on FoPT Table
  - Non-potable - on FoPT Table
  - Oil and grease
  - N-Hexane extractable
  - Non-Polar extractable
  - TPH
  - Hexane extractable silica gel treated
  - Hexane extractable
- b. State of CA is failing labs for analytes that are not on our table. Need to do some outreach. It was noted that New Jersey also requires some extra compounds.
- c. Travis (Oregon) noted that analyte codes for Cyanide also need to be looked at. PTPEC needs to reach out to the NELAP AC regarding Cyanide codes.
- d. Need to work with the NELAP AC on codes in general. Jerry was under the impression that the NELAP AC is mainly working on Microbiology codes.

## 10. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be by teleconference on February 24, 2023 at 11:00 am Eastern (*Addition: Meeting time is 11:30am Eastern*). The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm Central.