

**Whole Effluent Toxicity Testing Expert Committee Meeting
January 15, 2025 1:00 pm Eastern**

1. Welcome and Announcements

Teresa welcomed everyone to the meeting. Attendance is recorded in Attachment 1, below. The agenda was approved by unanimous consent with the addition of electing a Chair and Vice Chair. The minutes of December 18, 2024, were approved unanimously after a motion by Stephen, seconded by Elizabeth, with Christina abstaining due to her absence from that meeting.

2. Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Stephen indicated that he would happily allow someone else to step into the Vice Chair role but that he is willing to continue. No one else offered. Elizabeth nominated Stephen for Vice Chair and Darrin seconded, approval was unanimous.

Teresa handed over the moderator role to Stephen, and stated that she had stepped up to fill the Chair role in order to ensure that the revision of Module 7 gets completed, but that if someone else wishes to serve, she won't object. There were no volunteers. Stephen nominated Teresa for Chair and Caitie seconded, approval was unanimous.

Thanks to both Teresa and Stephen for accepting these leadership roles.

3. Consider Comments from Review of Draft Module

Teresa stated her intent to complete addressing all of the additional comments submitted by committee members. The sections with comments and how the comments were addressed are detailed below.

§7.3.1 Note – Teresa edited the table as promised, and discussion determined that acute methods should be deleted from the table, as they cannot substitute for any other method.

§8.1.1.a.ix – greater than 1 outlier in 20 tests requires a corrective action but only one does not; the 20 tests should be a running total, not batches of 20. After discussion, this section was deleted, and the information placed in 8.1.1.a.vii.

§8.1.1.b.iii – dechlorinating agents should not be used in controls, as they introduce toxicity. Reference to thiosulfate was eliminated.

§8.1.2.a – TST is just two concentrations, 0 and 100%. The method requires intermediate concentrations but California apparently does not require those.

§8.1.4.a – clarified the purpose of water being prepared (related to storing chemicals in a desiccator when practicable).

§8.1.5.e – for possible indoor air contamination, the use of an in-line filter is reasonable but absent identified problems, it is not necessary to control all possible sources of contamination.

§8.1.5.i – changed “quantitated” to “recorded”.

§8.2 – added a sentence that “Aqueous samples must not be frozen.”

4. Prepare for Voting on Draft Module

The draft module needs to be reformatted and given one last review for typos, and then will be distributed to committee members. Teresa will formally request an email vote, which will then be open for two weeks. All voting members of the committee must vote, and the voting options are:

- Yes
- Yes with comment
- No with comment (comment must be included, preferably with recommended revised language).

5. New Business

There was no new business and the meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent.

6. Next Meeting

The next teleconference meeting will be on **Wednesday, February 19, 2025, at 1 pm Eastern.** A Microsoft Teams link for screen-sharing or just a telephone option will be provided with the agenda and any needed documents, in advance of the meeting.

The conference session will be Monday afternoon, February 3, 1 – 5 pm Eastern, at conference in Jacksonville, Florida. Gretchen and possibly Chandra will be there, and maybe a few associate members.

Attachment 1 WET Expert Committee Membership

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Attachment 2 – Agenda, January 15, 2025

- Welcome and Roll Call
- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of Minutes (November minutes attached)
- Election of Chair and Vice Chair
- Consider Comments from Review of Draft Module (see comments embedded in attached draft V1M7)
- Review of Voting Rules for Publication of Draft Standard for Comment
- New Business, if any
- Adjourn