

## **Whole Effluent Toxicity Committee Meeting**

Wednesday November 12, 2025 – 2:30PM Eastern

### Minutes

#### 1 - Welcome and Roll Call

In the planned absence of Teresa at the beginning of the meeting, Stephen Clark called the meeting to order at 1434 Eastern. Attendees are found in Attachment 1. 9 Voting Members and 3 Associate Members were present. Paul Junio was present as the PA.

#### 2 - Approval of Agenda

The Agenda was approved as presented by consent. A copy of the agenda is included with these meeting minutes.

#### 3 - Approval of Minutes from October 29 meeting

Following a review of the October 29 meeting minutes, a motion to approve was made by Christina Henderson with a second by Darrin Greenstein. Abstaining Stephen Clark. The remaining committee members voted in favor, and the minutes were approved.

#### 4 - Discussion on V1M7 Draft Standard Comments

The Committee began its review of the Response to Comment document at Line 80 (found here as Comment 49). The summary is as follows:

49	p		8.1	This monitoring must be planned and reviewed'- how? When/how often?	committee agrees, but notes that it is up to the laboratory to specify
29		Y	8.1 a)	Change QC's to QC	QC's to QC
50	np		8.1 b	This monitoring must be planned and reviewed'- how? When/how often?	covered by the change made in 8.1 (as described in the laboratory quality system)

51	np		8.1 c	This monitoring must be planned and reviewed'- how? When/how often?	covered by the change made in 8.1 (as described in the laboratory quality system)
52	p		8.1.1 a	Positive control is already defined in the definitions. No need to include more than just 'Positive Control' in that paragraph	delete wording after Positive Control (spell out SRT due to its deletion)
53	np		8.1.1 a	This section includes too much information that is not vital to the Standard and its intent, especially vi and vii.	Left as written - becomes a requirement for any methods; fits with checklist requirements
19	p		8.1.1.a) iii, 3 <sup>rd</sup> paragraph	This phrase is unclear: "...unless the supplier can provide control chart data for the last twenty SRT tests but at least the last five monthly SRT tests..."	change 'but' to 'including'
30	y		8.1.1.a) vii	Correct "... a de facto".	re-word for clarity

20	p	8.1.1.a) viii	<p>It's unclear if this is a list of "good ideas to consider" when accepting acceptance / rejection policies or if it's a list that ABs are to audit laboratories to. Not sure how to audit to this list? Would like some guidance from the committee about its intention here and the standard should be clarified accordingly. ALSO RECOMMEND making this a list, not embedding all of these items in a paragraph. Easily missed. Draw attention to this important list if it is indeed an area for auditing by making a visual list with appropriate numbering. It seems overly prescriptive if it's a list to audit to. Maybe it belongs in a guidance document.</p>	made list bulleted; formatting persuasive but not content change
54	np	8.1.1 b	<p>Negative control: How can b.i be enforced? No language here that is enforceable. Remove b.ii and b.iv. These can be in a guidance document</p>	separated i into i and ii; further clarification in the list
31	y	8.1.1.b) iii	Correct "maybe" to "may be"	
55	np	8.1.2	<p>It says that each test must be reviewed for all these areas but doesn't specify how. This entire paragraph should be removed/re-worded</p>	none
21	p	8.1.2 a)	<p>It's unclear if this is a list of "good ideas to consider" when planning the review process or training someone on how to review, or if it's a list of things that ABs are to audit the review documentation against. Would like some guidance from the committee about its intention here and the standard should be clarified accordingly. Seems overly prescriptive as a list of things to audit to. If it's to be audited to, this list should be formatted as a list, not embedded in a paragraph.</p>	re-formatted for clarity and requirement

## 5 - New Business, if any

None

## 6 - Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 1600 Eastern. The next WET Expert Committee Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 17 at 1:00 PM Eastern. The Committee will begin its review at Section 8.1.4 a) (Line 93).

**Attachment 1 WET Expert Committee Membership**

Member	Organization	Email	Stakeholder	Term Expires	Present?
Beth Biller	VA DCLS	Beth.biller@dgs.virginia.gov	AB	Jan. 2026 (1)	No
Thekkekalathil "Chandra" Chandrasekhar	FL DEP	Thekkekalathil.Chandrasekhar@dep.state.fl.us	Lab	Jan. 2027 (2)	Yes
Stephen Clark (Vice Chair)	Pacific EcoRisk	sclark@pacificecorisk.com	Lab	Jan. 2027 (2)	Yes
Darrin Greenstein	Southern CA Coastal Water Research Proj.	Darring@sccwrp.org	Other	Jan. 2026 (1)	Yes
Christina Henderson	Eurofins Environment Testing Ecotoxicology	Christina.Henderson@et.eurofinsus.com	Lab	Jan. 2026 (1)	Yes
Teresa Norberg-King (Chair)	USEPA (retired)	Norbe010@d.umn.edu	Other	Jan. 2027	Yes
Katie Payne	Enthalpy Analytical	katie.payne@enthalpy.com	Lab	Jan. 2027 (1)	No
Lyndsay Thomas	Coastal Bioanalysts, Inc.	lyndsay@coastalbio.com	Lab	Jan. 2026 (1)	Yes
Caitie Van Sciver	NJ DEP	Caitie.VanSciver@dep.nj.gov	AB	Jan. 2027 (2)	Yes
Gretchen Welfinger	NY ELAP	gretchen.welfinger@health.ny.gov	AB	Jan. 2027 (1)	Yes
Elizabeth West	Retired	eawest1111@gmail.com	Other	Jan. 2027 (1)	Yes

**Program Administrator:** Paul Junio, [paul.junio@nelac-institute.org](mailto:paul.junio@nelac-institute.org)

Associate Members present were Ginger Briggs, Rebekah Pauly, and Cavan Smith.

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