



## Environmental Laboratory Advisory Committee (ELAC) Meeting Minutes July 11th, 2019

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### **Administrative Business:**

The meeting was called to order at 9:30am by ELAC Chair, Nick Straccione (EMSL). Meeting minutes were taken by Rose Koplin (Accredited Analytical Resources, Inc.), ELAC secretary.

The June 2019 ELAC Meeting Minutes were approved with a motion by Eileen Snyder(Alpha) and seconded by Steve Witkowski(NJAL).

**Environmental Laboratory Certification Program (ELCP):** Rachel Ellis (NJDEP-OQA) provided an update.

All paid renewals were sent out for July 1, 2019. All unpaid were removed from the system effective July 1.

2019 MUR part 136 has been proposed and will come with the next renewals and will have a timeframe for changeover.

Questions on the certification program should be directed to Rachel Ellis at [rachel.ellis@dep.nj.gov](mailto:rachel.ellis@dep.nj.gov).

**Rule Amendment:** Debra Waller (NJDEP-OQA) provided an update.

The Stakeholder meeting has been postponed until September and it will be invitation only.

**Proficiency Test (PT) Program:** Rachel Ellis (NJDEP-OQA) provided an update.

SDW makeup PT's are now; PFC PT results are to be reported for multiple methods and NPW makeups begin after September 1. Air makeups are currently open.

SCM Intent to Suspend letters will be going out.

NELAC FoPT tables will be changing shortly, keep an eye out for news PT additions.

Questions on the proficiency testing program should be directed to Rachel Ellis at [rachel.ellis@dep.nj.gov](mailto:rachel.ellis@dep.nj.gov).

**The NELAC Institute (TNI):** Nick Straccione (EMSL Analytical, Inc.) provided an update.

Next scheduled meeting is for the first week of August 2019.

Check the TNI website for additional information <http://www.nelac-institute.org/>.

**Division of Water Supply/Safe Drinking Water:** Linda Bonnette (NJDEP BSDW) was provided an update

Linda announced her retirement effective July 31, 2019.

Questions on the Drinking Water Program may be emailed to Linda Bonnette (NJDEP-BSDW) at: [linda.bonnette@dep.nj.gov](mailto:linda.bonnette@dep.nj.gov)

**Site Remediation & Waste Management Program (SRWMP):** Amy Bowman(NJDEP-SRWMP)provided an update.

Training that was provided was for the Evaluation of Extractable Petroleum Hydrocarbons (EPH) in Soil Technical Guidance.

The SRWMP and USEPA Region 2 updated the "Coordination of NJDEP and USEPA PCB Remediation Policies" guidance document.

The Site Remediation and Waste Management Program of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) has updated the guidance for implementation of the interim specific ground water quality standards established for perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS) that were posted to the Division of Water Monitoring and Standards website (<https://nj.gov/dep/wms/bears/gwqs.htm>) on March 13, 2019. The interim specific ground water quality standards became effective upon posting on March 13, 2019 to the "Table of Interim Specific Ground Water Quality Criteria (ISGWQC), Interim PQLs (IPQLs), and Interim Specific Ground Water Quality Standards (ISGWQS) for Constituents in Class II-A Ground Water" located on this website. The updated implementation guidance is available on the Site Remediation and Waste Management Program web page available at [https://www.nj.gov/dep/srp/guidance/srra/srwmp\\_implementing\\_03-13-19\\_pfoa\\_pfos\\_interim\\_gwqs.pdf](https://www.nj.gov/dep/srp/guidance/srra/srwmp_implementing_03-13-19_pfoa_pfos_interim_gwqs.pdf). The updates clarify issues raised by the regulated community.

Questions on the SRWMP program may be emailed to Greg Toffoli (NJDEP-SRWMP) at [greg.toffoli@dep.nj.gov](mailto:greg.toffoli@dep.nj.gov).

**New Business:**

For the laboratory to analyze PFOA & PFOS in NJ, the SOP number and revision must be listed on the ACPL.

**EDD Subcommittee** Ken Liao and Roger Page (NJDEP-SRWMP-BIS).

No updates, continued background programming being done. This committee will be placed on hold for the time being until the NJDEP-SRWMP-BIS department notifies the ELAC committee of any changes.

Questions and comments may be directed to Ken Liao (NJDEP-SRWMP-BIS) at [ken.liaoi@dep.nj.gov](mailto:ken.liaoi@dep.nj.gov)

**Communications / OQA Website:**

Rose Koplin (AAR) reported that the NJDEP-OQA website was not up to date with the approved minutes. All minutes will be posted as soon as possible.

**Meeting Schedule:** The Meeting was adjourned with a motion by Bill Giglio (NJDWSC) and seconded by Ken Boley (Eurofins). The next scheduled ELAC Meeting will be held on **Thursday, September 12, 2019 at 9:30AM**, at NJDEP, 401 East State Street, in **4th Floor Conference Room** in Trenton, New Jersey. **Those planning to attend must email the ELAC Secretary, Rose Koplin at: [rkoplin@accreditedanalytical.com](mailto:rkoplin@accreditedanalytical.com) by Wednesday, August 28 , 2019.**

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