# CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORY TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (ELTAC) COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES May 11, 2016

More information on the Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program (ELAP) and previous ELTAC meetings can be found at <a href="http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/elap">http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/elap</a>.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

DELAPO Christine Sotelo called the meeting to order on May 11, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. at the California Environmental Protection Agency Headquarters, 1001 I Street, Conference Room 2540, Sacramento, CA and the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, 700 N. Alameda Street, Room US2-456, Los Angeles, CA 90012.

# **COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

DELAPO: Christine Sotelo

Representatives:

Mindy Boele

Jill Brodt

Stephen Clark

Huy Do

Andy Eaton

Miriam Ghabour

**Bruce Godfrey** 

Anthony Gonzalez

Rich Gossett

Dave Kimbrough

Mark Koekemoer

Allison Mackenzie

Guilda Neshvad

Alternate:

John Quinn (alternate for SRAE Bruce Labelle)

State Regulatory Agency Employees:

Gail Cho

Not Present:

Ronald Coss

Bruce LaBelle

# **OTHER STAFF PRESENT**

Scribe: Katelyn McCarthy

ELAP: Maryam Khosravifard, Angela Anand, Ruby Lau, Naeem Ahmad

Water Boards Office of Enforcement: Nickolaus Knight

Office of Public Participation: Gita Kapahi

# **ANNOUNCEMENT**

- Evacuation information in case the fire alarm goes off during the meeting.
- The Committee meeting is being webcasted and recorded.

# **COMMITTEE MEETING**

# **PUBLIC FORUM**

Any member of the public may address and ask question of the Committee relating to any matter within ELTAC's scope provided the matter is not on the agenda, or pending before the Advisory Committee.

**No Formal Action Taken** 

# Commenter

Nick Haring, City of San Diego

# **COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

ITEM #1 - Call to Order/Roll Call

## ITEM #2 - Public Comments on Items Not on Agenda

(The Committee will not take any action but will consider placing any item raised on the agenda at a future meeting.)

## **No Formal Action Taken**

ITEM #3 - Approval of Revised Minutes from March 23, 2016 Meeting

Motion: Member Clark motioned to adopt the revised minutes.

**Seconded by:** Member Gossett **MOTION CARRIED**: May 11, 2016

Aye: All Nay: None Absent: None Abstain: None

## ITEM #4 - DELAPO Report

- On April 19, 2016, the State Water Resources Control Board adopted a resolution to allow the Executive Director or designee to enter into a multi-year contract for ELAP assessor training and laboratory audits.
- Robert Brownwood joined the Division of Drinking Water as Assistant Deputy Director.
- > Nicolaus Knight from the Office of Enforcement is ELAP's enforcement attorney.
- The contents of the Bagley-Keene Open Act were discussed in regards to forwarding emails amongst committee members.

## ITEM #5 - Committee Reports

1. Field of Testing Worksheet Review

**Motion:** A motion was made by Member Godfrey to form a subcommittee including Members Brodt, Cho, Eaton, Gossett, Kimbrough, and Neshvad to lead the task of reviewing the Field of Testing Worksheet review.

**Seconded by:** Member Gossett **MOTION CARRIED**: May 11, 2016

Aye: All Nay: None Absent: None Abstain: None

#### 2. ELTAC Mission Statement

Motion: A motion was made by Member Clark to adopt the revised ELTAC Mission Statement.

**Seconded by:** Member Boele **MOTION CARRIED**: May 11, 2016

Aye: All Nay: None Absent: None Abstain: None

## Informational Item - Lower 1, 2, 3 Trichloropropane Reporting Limits

- Presented by Bill Draper, Drinking Water Radiation Laboratory
- Action Item: Stephen Clark will draft memo recommending a process ELAP use to communicate new regulatory needs to ELTAC and the laboratory community.

## **No Formal Action Taken**

#### ITEM #6 - Unfinished Business

- 1. Discussion of Laboratory Standards
  - Action Item: ELAP will schedule a meeting with the State Agency Partners to obtain a list of their agencies' needs regarding laboratory data and practices.
  - Action Item: ELTAC requests that ELAP request presentations for the next meeting from small laboratories that had successfully implemented a quality management system for accreditation.

## **No Formal Action Taken**

## ITEM #7 - New Business

- 1. ELTAC Constituency Contacts/By-Laws Expectations
  - > Action Item: ELAP will send ELTAC members constituency email contact lists.

## **No Formal Action Taken**

2. Auditor Checklists

Motion: A motion was made by Chairperson Eaton to table the topic until the next meeting.

Seconded by: Member Clark

**Amendment:** An amendment to the motion was made by Member Kimbrough to allocate thirty minutes to the next meeting agenda and to review a representative checklist during that time.

Seconded by: Member Clark

**AMENDMENT CARRIES: May 11, 2016** 

Aye: All Nay: None

Absent: Member Gossett
Member Neshvad

Abstain: None

AMENDED MOTION CARRIED: May 11, 2016

Aye: All Nay: None

Absent: Member Gossett

Member Neshvad

Abstain: None

- Action Item: ELAP will provide comparisons between ELTAC-drafted and ELAP-revised auditor checklists as part of the next meeting packet.
- 3. Draft Regulations on Fee Structure

Action Item: ELAP will provide additional information regarding fees, including: fee exemption data, total lab accreditation data, FOT accreditation data, and method accreditation data.

## **No Formal Action Taken**

## ITEM #9 - Close

- > Review action items:
  - a. Stephen Clark will draft memo recommending a process ELAP use to communicate new regulatory needs to ELTAC and the laboratory community.
  - b. ELAP will schedule a meeting with the State Agency Partners to obtain a list of their agencies' needs regarding laboratory data and practices.
  - c. ELAP will send ELTAC members constituency email contact lists.
  - d. ELAP will provide comparisons between ELTAC-drafted and ELAP-revised auditor checklists as part of the next meeting packet.
  - e. ELAP will provide additional information regarding fees, including: fee exemption data, total lab accreditation data, FOT accreditation data, and method accreditation data.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The Committee adjourned at 4:42pm.