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Consensus Standards Development Program (CSDP)

On November 6, 2006, The NELAC Institute was formed.....

..... and the CSDP hit the ground running



Development of the Accreditation Standard INELA - TNI

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The INELA Working Draft Standard January 2006

Environmental Laboratory Sector

Volume 1 - Laboratory Requirements

- Module 1: Accreditation Process
- Module 2: On-Site Assessment
- Module 3: Proficiency Testing
- Module 4: Quality Systems General Requirements
- Module 5: Asbestos Testing
- Module 6: Chemical Testing
- Module 7: Microbiological Testing
- Module 8: Radiochemical Testing
- Module 9: Toxicological Testing



The INELA Working Draft Standard January 2006

Environmental Laboratory Sector (contd.)

Volume 2 - Accreditation Body Requirements

- Module 1: General Requirements
- Module 2: Proficiency Testing
- Module 3: On-Site Assessment

Volume 3 - Proficiency Testing Provider Requirements

Volume 4 - Proficiency Testing Provider Oversight Body Requirements



The INELA Working Draft Standard January 2006

Field Sampling and Measurement Organization Sector

Volume 1: General requirements for FSMOs

Volume 2: General Requirements for Accreditation Bodies
Accrediting FSMOs



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- **WDS Modified** as a result of input received, and released from the committees as the **Draft Interim Standard (DIS)**, June 2006
- **Vote on the DIS**, July-Aug. 2006



The INELA Draft Interim Standard Vote, July-Aug. 2006

All INELA members had the opportunity to vote electronically:

Affirmative;

Affirmative with comment;

Negative with comment;

Abstain

Comments were discussed and considered during the Kansas Laboratory Forum in August



The INELA Draft Interim Standard Results of the Vote, July-Aug. 2006

Environmental Laboratory Sector

Volume 1 Laboratory Requirements

- Module 1: Accreditation Process
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 - Module 3: Proficiency Testing
 - Module 4: QS General Requirements
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- WITHDRAWN.** To be incorporated into a guidance document
- WITHDRAWN.** To be resubmitted as a WDS



The INELA Draft Interim Standard Results of the Vote, July-Aug. 2006

Environmental Laboratory Sector (contd.)

Volume 2 Accreditation Body Requirements

- Module 1: General Requirements - **PASSED**
- Module 2: Proficiency Testing - **WITHDRAWN**; To be resubmitted as a WDS
- Module 3: On-Site Assessment - **PASSED**

Volume 3 Proficiency Testing Provider Requirements

- **WITHDRAWN**; To be resubmitted as a WDS

Volume 4 Proficiency Testing Provider Oversight Body Requirements

- **WITHDRAWN**; To be resubmitted as a WDS



The INELA Draft Interim Standard Results of the Vote, July-Aug. 2006

Field Sampling and Measurement Organization Sector

Volume 1: General requirements for FSMOs - **PASSED**

Volume 2: General Requirements for Accreditation Bodies
Accrediting FSMOs - **PASSED**



Development of the Accreditation Standard

INELA through TNI

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- The modules that passed are now the **TNI Interim Standard**
- The modules withdrawn are now reintroduced as the **TNI Working Draft Standard**



Guide to the TNI Standard to be discussed here in Denver

Interim Standard volumes/modules already approved for adoption by the membership

Environmental Laboratory Sector

Volume 2: Accreditation Body requirements

- Module 1 – General Requirements
- Module 3 – On-Site Assessment

FSMO Sector

Volume 1 – General Requirements for FSMOs

**Volume 2 – General Requirements for Accreditation Bodies
Accrediting FSMOs**



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Working Draft Standard

Environmental Sector

Volume 1 Laboratory Requirements

- Module 3: Proficiency Testing
- Module 4: Quality Systems General Requirements
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Volume 2 Accreditation Body Requirements

- Module 2: Proficiency Testing

Volume 3 Proficiency Testing Provider Requirements

Volume 4 Proficiency Testing Oversight



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Committees discussing Interim Standard:

On-site Assessment
Accreditation Body
Field Activities

These standard modules have been adopted and cannot be modified further. Discussion will allow the membership to decide whether to vote **AFFIRMATIVE** or **NEGATIVE** when these modules are presented for vote as the **Final Standard**.



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Committees discussing Working Draft Standard:

Proficiency Testing
Quality System

The committees will be seeking input on these Working Draft Standard modules.



Next Steps (post-Denver)

The TNI Interim Standard volumes/modules will be presented for electronic vote for adoption as the Final Standard

The TNI Working Draft Standard modules will be modified as a result of input received in Denver and within 15 days following. They will then be presented for vote as the Draft Interim Standard