

Final Minutes

MINUTES FROM THE EPA SCIENCE ADVISORY BOARD
Drinking Water Committee
Revised Total Coliform Rule (rTCR) Review
Public Teleconference
May 20, 2009

PARTICIPANTS:

SAB Committee Members –

Dr. Joan Rose (Chair)
Dr. Mark Borchardt
Dr. John Colford
Dr. Penny Fenner-Crisp
Dr. Jeff Griffiths
Dr. Joseph Landolph
Dr. Desmond Lawler
Dr. Christine Moe
Dr. Christine Owen
Dr. Richard Sakaji
Dr. Gary Sayler
Dr. Gina Solomon

SAB Board Member

Dr. Lauren Zeise

SAB Staff –

Dr. Sue Shallal, Designated Federal Officers (DFO)

EPA Presenters –

Jeremy Bauer
Crystal Rodgers-Jenkins

Other Participants – See Attachment A for the list of other participants that requested call-in information for the teleconference

MEETING MATERIALS: The following meeting materials were available prior to the May 20, 2009 teleconference meeting and were available on the general SAB Web site, <http://www.epa.gov/sab>, and specifically .at the following URL:
<http://yosemite.epa.gov/sab/sabproduct.nsf/MeetingCal/AE1E07FDA5E365878525756E00505150?OpenDocument>

- FEDERAL REGISTER NOTICE
- MEETING AGENDA
- WORK GROUP ROSTER
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- Charge Questions Memo for Drinking Water Committee (DWC) Total Coliform Rule (TCR). (PDF, 5 pp., 410,702 bytes)
- AGENCY BRIEFING MATERIAL
 - Powerpoint Presentation by Jeremy Bauer - Overview. (PDF, 16 pp., 485,036 bytes)
 - Powerpoint Presentation by Crystal Rodgers-Jenkins - Introduction. (PDF, 7 pp., 465,301 bytes)

PURPOSE: To offer an opportunity for panel members to learn more about the Agency's draft proposed revised Total Coliform Rule (rTCR), its content, purpose and the models used in deriving risk estimates. There was also an opportunity for panel members to ask questions regarding the assessment and the charge questions so that they may be better prepared to respond to them.

LOCATION: By telephone only.

DATE AND TIME: May 20, 2009 from 1:00 – 4:00 PM Eastern Time.

MEETING SUMMARY: The meeting followed the agenda. A summary of the meeting follows.

Convene the Meeting and Introductory Remarks – Dr. Suhair Shallal, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), opened the meeting at 1:05 PM after allowing time for panel members to dial in to the teleconference. She presented background information on the SAB panel formation process and informed the audience that the SAB operates under the rules and regulations of FACA where all meetings, during which deliberations take place, are held in public. She also reminded the members of the panel and the audience that the background materials including the charge questions, the Agency's presentation, etc. can be found on the SAB website.

Welcome - Dr. Rose then reviewed the agenda and explained the purpose of the teleconference was to prepare for the upcoming face-to-face meeting. She stated that the meeting will begin with presentations from the Agency and the committee members will be able to ask clarifying questions. The committee would postpone deliberating on the charge questions until their face-to-face meeting on June 9-10, 2009. She also asked each committee member to introduce themselves and describe their background and expertise.

Agency Presentations - Crystal Rodgers-Jenkins of the EPA's Office of Water (OW) presented some of the background regarding the development of the rTCR document. She explained the process that OW had created to revise the Total Coliform Rule and the establishment of a FACA committee. She stated that after extensive discussions with all stakeholders, an Agreement in Principle was reached which EPA was committed to following as they develop their final document.

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ATTACHMENT A

List of Participants Requesting access to the teleconference

Sean Conley	EPA, Office of Water
Jennifer E. Lynette	EPA, Office of Research and Development
Nicole Shao	EPA, ORD-Office of Science Policy
Brian Heninger, Ph.D.	EPA, National Center for Environmental Economics Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation
Donna Fries,	Miami-Dade Water & Sewer Department Miami, Florida
Steve Via	American Water Works Association
Sean C. Lieske	Water Resources Division Aurora, CO
Darrell Osterhoudt	Association of State Drinking Water Administrators
Ken Clark	Boulder Public Works/ Utilities