



**Reinforcing Steel (REBAR/WWR)**  
**Technical Committee Conference Call - Minutes**  
**Monday, February 22, 2016 10:00 AM EST**

1. The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. with Ed Hughes (AASHTO) conducted the meeting. Present on the call were:
  - Ed Hughes (AASHTO)
  - Katheryn Malusky (AASHTO)
  - Merrill Zwanka (South Carolina DOT)
  - Dave Meggers (Kansas DOT)
  - Scott Hughes (Illinois DOT)
  - Kenny Anderson (Indiana DOT)
  - Mahbub Khoda (Iowa DOT)
  - Danielle Kleinhans (CRSI)
  - Greg Halstead (CRSI)
2. Ed went through the 2016 RS workplan to point out a few editorial corrections and get feedback from the group. From the ballot earlier there were four comments received with one of them being a negative vote (Pennsylvania). The negative vote was due to a concern about the tolerances being used for comparison of test results. Ed has already responded back to all that submitted comments. Several of the comments are already addressed in NTPEP SP01. If the group on this call sees any other items that need to be addressed in the work plan they need to submit them to Ed by noon on Thursday (February 25) so that Katheryn can get the work plan uploaded.
3. There were no outstanding issues to be resolved.
4. The draft agenda for the May meeting was then discussed. It is still a draft agenda and we can make changes up through March 25 if necessary.
  - Ed talked to a rep from Gerdau who, if he is able to attend, will give an update on the industry perspective of the NTPEP program
  - Merrill Zwanka will give a brief update on the program from a DOT perspective
  - Mills who only produce rebar for the NTPEP audit continues to be an issue – discuss at the May meeting
  - There will be a discussion about the speed of the parallel plate machine testing and how it is “recommended” but not “required.” Since the data is used for a comparison it is best that the speeds are kept uniform
  - Katheryn will give a brief Datamine 3.0 update but there will be a much more detailed update in a separate session

- Katheryn will give a brief update on the audit of the Illinois DOT so that everyone in attendance knows that the audit was performed on the NTPEP laboratory used for comparison testing
  - Ed asked that the sample comparison reports be provided through Datamine as spreadsheets instead of PDFs with all cells locked except for the tolerances – the group on the call had no problems with this being done
  - Danielle Kleinhans has been promoted and while she will still be involved Greg Halstead will be the primary CRSI contact
5. The next TC conference call will be held the week of April 25, 2016. Ed will send out some dates and schedule the meeting at the most convenient time for the group.
  6. Being no further business the call was adjourned at 10:35 a.m. EST.

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