

STORET Conference Call – December 2, 2004 12:00-1:00 PM Eastern Time

Introduction (Cary McElhinney)

- The minutes from all previous conference calls are available over the web: <http://www.epa.gov/storet/confcalls.html>
- The next scheduled call will be Thursday, January 13th, 2004 12:00-1:00 PM Eastern Time. Call in number is (202) 275-0199 access code 9770#.
- If you have a special topic you'd like to lead for an upcoming call, please email mcelhinney.cary@epa.gov
- EPA would like to hear comments you have on the quality of these conference calls. Please send them to storet@epa.gov
- Please subscribe to the STORET automated listserver for announcements regarding conference calls: <http://www.epa.gov/storet/listserv.html>

Recap of National STORET Users Conference

- We held a successful STORET Users Conference the week before Thanksgiving in New Orleans, LA
- Over 140 participants attended and over 25 technical presentations and workshops were put on.
- We heard good support from EPA senior management for STORET and for looking into alternatives for monitoring data exchange
- We plan to have presentations and other conference proceedings posted on the STORET website in the next month or so

Report Module Update v2.0.4

- We have released an update to the STORET Reports Module v2.0.4. We gave a demo of this at the National Users Conference
- New features include new reference table reports both in formatted and file export types.
- The retrieval of documents and graphics using the Report Module that we showed at the Conference is still in prototype and will be released in the next update sometime next year.

Data Warehouse Refresh Schedule

- We pushed back our refresh schedule for November due to the Thanksgiving holidays and the conference. We will be refreshing the Warehouse this weekend and will have it online with all data submitted by November 18th on Monday.
- We also sent out the refresh schedule of the Warehouse for the end of December to work around the holidays.
- We'll send out a schedule for 2005 over the listserver shortly.

Open Q/A and Comment Period

1. Will the Report Module upgrade require DBA attention for a client/server install? (OH)
 - Yes. There will be steps to run on the client machines and separate steps for the database.
2. Wanted to comment that I thought the conference was good. (TN)
3. I thought there was a much more positive atmosphere at the conference this year compared to the last conference. (OH)
 - Our managers also felt those positive vibes and will continue to support and enhance STORET
4. When will STORET be ready for CDX? (MD)
 - We're currently working on a pilot project for this which was discussed at the STORET Users Conference. We plan to base the exchange template for this project off the work to develop the Environmental Sampling, Analysis and Results (ESAR) standard.
 - We caution that this is experimental work which has certain risks. We'll know more in a year or so if this method of data exchange will work efficiently.
 - We're currently working with TX, OR, and MI as pilot States. At some point in the future of this pilot project, we may be interesting in working with more test States.
5. Is ESAR on the ECOS website?
 - Yes. The best place to look for draft versions of this data standard and other information related to the Exchange Network is www.exchangenetwork.net

6. I'm having problems finding a specific beach monitoring method in STORET as prescribed by the EPA Beaches Program. (SC)
 - We added a bunch of new methods in the latest reference table upgrade at the request of Charles Kovatch of EPA Beaches Program. We'll need to connect with Charles to make sure the method you are looking for is available.
7. Is the Report Module upgrade inclusive of all changes?
 - Yes. You must start with the original STORET Report Module v2.0 first, then the current upgrade can be applied which includes all new features.

Participants on call (based on who emailed storet@epa.gov)

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Grace Hanrahan	US EPA Region 3
Stan Stephansen	US EPA Region 2
Deb Soule	NH DES
Dianne Denson	AK DEC
Jim Porter	Minnesota Pollution Control Agency
Dean Tucker	National Park Service
Mary Ann Silagy	OH EPA
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Deb Dorland	MT
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