

STORET Conference Call – February 18, 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, March 25th, 2004 12:00-1:00 PM Eastern Time. Call in number is (202) 275-0170 access code 0236#
- 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 listserv for announcements regarding conference calls: <http://www.epa.gov/storet/listserv.html>

Update from STORET Team

Database Views v2.0.1

- We released recently an upgrade to the STORET Database views for v2.0. The release can be downloaded off the STORET website and installed
- Notable enhancements include properly working with all new v2.0 features; splitting apart the bio results views into separate views by bio intent; new reference guide outlining all columns in each view

SIM v2.0.1

- We're still in our beta testing period for SIM v2.0.1. As the testing cycle has progressed, we've occasionally added a few new features to SIM v2.0.1 which is pushing back the release date.
- We feel pretty confident that this version of SIM will allow the import of nearly all STORET data elements that users have requested.
- Hoping for a release date sometime in late March or April.

Training

- Some training dates to announce: We have a session scheduled in Washington, DC on February 24-26, 2004. We also have a session scheduled in Kansas City, KS at the EPA Region 7 office on March 30-April 1, 2004. We have a training session scheduled in Philadelphia, PA at the EPA Region 3 office on April 27-29, 2004.

Data Entry Module Bug

- A bug in the STORET Data Entry Module v2.0 has been reported to us. Apparently in certain instances of the Data Entry Module running on Windows XP, station types are being incorrectly assigned because of problems in the application.
- A bug fix is currently being created, and will be released on the STORET website shortly. An announcement to the STORET Listserv will go out when the bug fix is ready.

Upgrading to STORET v2.0

- As we previously announced last fall, we'd like all users to plan to upgrade to STORET v2.0 by the end of March 2004. We will stop accepting exports from a STORET v1.2 database on March 31, 2004.
- After March 31, 2004, you must be using STORET v2.0 to have exports included in our online Data Warehouse.
- Please let us know if there are any problems with this schedule, and keep us posted on your plans

Open Q/A and Comment Period

1. **Do I need to fix any Referential Integrity (RI) problems before upgrading to v2.0? (CO)**
 - It's not required, but certainly recommended. You could also fix RI problems after upgrading to v2.0
 - RI scripts for v1.2 and v2.0 are available on the STORET FTP site: <ftp://ftp.epa.gov/storet/>. The RI script on the STORET v2.0 cd is for STORET v1.2.
2. **I'm currently using EDAS for my biological data and am attempting to migrate that data in STORET v1.2. Should I do that before upgrading to STORET v2.0?**
 - Yes. We do not have EDAS working with STORET v2.0. We hope to be able to direct development towards aligning EDAS with STORET v2.0.
3. **I would like to push the EDAS/STORET issue a bit. I also need additional information on some of the additional taxonomic attributes come into play. (MT).**
 - Please construct an email and send it to the STORET Team. We will then pass on your questions and concerns to Tetra Tech who developed EDAS and will be involved in getting EDAS to work with STORET v2.0.

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

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