

## STORET Conference Call – January 19, 2006, 12:00-1:00 PM Eastern Time

### Introduction (Kristen Gunthardt)

- 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 February 16, 2006. The exact date will be emailed via the listserv later this month.
- Please email [storet@epa.gov](mailto:storet@epa.gov) and let EPA know you have attended the call so that meeting rosters may be kept.
- If you have a special topic you'd like to lead for an upcoming call, please email [Gunthardt.Kristen@epamail.epa.gov](mailto:Gunthardt.Kristen@epamail.epa.gov)
- EPA would like to hear comments you have on the quality of these conference calls. Please send them to [storet@epa.gov](mailto:storet@epa.gov)
- Please subscribe to the STORET automated listserv for announcements regarding conference calls: <http://www.epa.gov/storet/listserv.html>

### Updates to STORET

- STORET Report Module Updates – Report Module 2.0.07 is in beta-testing and is due to be released February 1, 2006. This version provides improved QA/QC capability on physical/chemical, biological and habitat results on the web default. The user can filter and flag samples which have values which fall inside, outside, above or below the queried data range. The “character range” QA/QC control is also capable of converting units of measure and will eventually serve as a tool to retrieve data from STORET data warehouse based upon result values.
- Due to the utilization and maintenance of two parallel data warehouses, downtime is no longer experienced on the web. Instead, “STORET A” instance is deployed while “STORET B” instance is under maintenance and vice versa.  
NOTE: Due to the use of two parallel instances, please remember to bookmark only static web pages such as the STORET Warehouse homepage (no queries!)
- SIM 2.0.2 Beta-Testing – Call for Volunteers – STORET Import Module version 2.0.2 is currently undergoing internal beta-testing and will be available for outside testing at the end of the month. The STORET team is requesting volunteers to test the new version. Please email Dwane Young at [Young.Dwane@epamail.epa.gov](mailto:Young.Dwane@epamail.epa.gov). SIM 2.0.2 offers several new features, including batch removal of data from STORET and batch updates to station characteristics such as latitude/longitude and station name.

### National Monitoring Conference

- The National Monitoring Conference is being held May 7-11, 2006 in San Jose, CA. Please see the website <http://www.tetrattech-ffx.com/nwqmc06/> for more details.

### Open Q/A and Comment Period

1. What is the status of STORET-Substance Registry System characteristic matching? (MD)
  - STORET Characteristics names are currently in the process of being matched to EPA Substance Registry System (SRS) to develop a consistency between STORET and EPA SRS. Retired STORET characteristic names can be accessed in the application under aliases in the characteristic search

- window. John Harmon of the National Substance Registry System will be available on the next call to discuss registry names and provide more information on resolving standard registry requests.
2. What is the status on developing an XML import to STORET? (AL)
    - XML imports are part of the WQX pilot. The WQX pilot is wrapping up and will then enter evaluation and a schema finalization period. The existing pilot schema can be used to map data if necessary, but the format may still change over the upcoming months.
  3. Will the new version of SIM incorporate lab remarks? (OH)
    - The existing version of SIM is equipped to import lab remarks to STORET.

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

James Adkins	WV DEP
Rome Arquines	EPA HQ
John Beebe	NCASI
Linda Cartwright	TN DEC
Kevin Christian	EPA HQ
Thomas Dallaire	Mass DEP, DWM
Dianne Denson	Alaska DEC
Kristen Gunthardt	EPA HQ
Vickie Hulcher	AL Dept. of Environmental Mgmt
David Hutchinson	AL Dept. of Environmental Mgmt
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Dan Parker	EPA HQ
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Jennifer Schimek	RTI International
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