

STORET Conference Call – July 24, 2008, 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 in September 2008. The exact date will be emailed via the listserver later this month.
- Please email 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
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WQX 2.0 Status and Upcoming changes

- The WQX 2.0 schema is currently moving to the production environment. Users will be able to test the schema with a current NAAS account and WQX ID. CDX and WQX 2.0 versioning compatibility is still in progress. WQX 2.0 is anticipated to be available in the production environment in August.
- STORET warehouse is also being reverted to accommodate the upcoming inflow of WQX 2.0 data.
- Updated WQX reference tables have been posted on the STORET website at: http://www.epa.gov/storet/download/WQX_Domain_Values.zip. These reference tables contain WQX 1.0 information and additional information for WQX 2.0. Any future changes will most likely involve additions to the reference tables and are not likely to change any of the existing domain values listed in these tables.
- The flow configuration document, available at http://www.exchangenetwork.net/schema/WQX/2/WQX_FCD_v2.0.pdf, contains information on the Exchange network and retrieving domain values through the CDX environment.
- WQX 1.0 is still a valid production environment. Both the WQX 1.0 and WQX 2.0 schemas are valid and can be used for submissions to WQX. Upgrade to WQX 2.0 is not required at this time.
- STORET web pages will be updated in the next month to increase the integration between the STORET web page and the Exchange Network WQX site. The goal is to make WQX documentation easily obtainable from both the Exchange Network and STORET web page.

Q and A

- Q: Washington is planning on submitting to WQX 2.0 in September. Will WQX 2.0 be ready for production then? (WA)
- A: Yes- the production environment should be fully functional by September. In the meantime, Washington can make sure they are using the latest schema and are up to speed with WQX 2.0 documentation.
- Q: Do the reference tables cited above replace the access tables which contain domain values? (EPA R9)
- A: Yes. The tables within the access database were a snapshot of the developer's work at that point in time. The reference tables at http://www.epa.gov/storet/download/WQX_Domain_Values.zip are the current reference tables.

- Q:** Is there a way to semi-automate the reference table updates process instead requiring states to replace them all when after they are updated by the STORET team (R5)?
- A:** The reference tables are available through CDX and each record will have a time stamp and unique ID which can be queried and may assist in a partial update however a query or solicit type request requires a NAAS authentication. The STORET team needs to have another discussion on the possibility of automating and publishing the updates. We may also consider a publishing the reference tables on a public website.
- Q:** When is the WQX Generation Tool anticipated to be available? (R10)
- A:** We are anticipating a draft tool in the development area in late August, but we will have to check with the developers.

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

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