

Asbestos Network Technical Working Group (ANTWG)	
Minutes of the meeting held on the 21st Aug 2024 via MS Teams	
<p>Present: Sam Lord (SL) HSE Specialist Division /Chair/Minutes Heather Campbell (HC) HSE Specialist Division Nick Garland (NG) FAAM Committee/Assure 360 Jonathan Grant (JG) BOHS-FAAM Gareth Jones (GJ) UKATA Steve Sadley (SS) ARCA /Rob Southall (RS) ATaC Martin Saunders (MS) HSE Science Division Tony Dillon (TD) ACAD Graham Warren (GW) ASES Steve Watkins (SW) Independent Industry Rep Wayne Williams (WW) IATP</p> <p>Apologies: Colette Willoughby (CW) NORAC</p> <p>Note: These minutes are a note of the discussions had on the date of the meeting. Some items will be discussed over a number of meetings. Taking one set of minutes in isolation may not reflect the final position and readers need to be aware of this. As and when a final position is reached this will be made clear within the relevant minute item.</p>	
1	<p>Welcome, introductions and apologies: SL welcomed all attendees to the meeting including Nick Garland and Rob Southall. Tony Dillon was welcomed as representing ACAD for the first time and who will share the role with Terry Slater.</p>
2	<p>Minutes of ANTWG meeting (No.43) and acceptance: The minutes from June 2024 (No. 43) meeting were finalised and accepted. Action: Minutes to be sent to AsbNet members via AsbNet Secretariat. (SL)</p>
3	<p>Matters/actions arising from Meeting No.43 June 2023</p> <p>Gel Fibre Suppression Wrap and Cut – NG updated the TWG on the recent trial which revealed consistent fibre levels and provided further insight regarding use of the technique.</p> <p>Scott Pro-Flow Mask (now 3M powered air turbo PF-602E-ASB) – issue with P3 filter cartridges coming loose during use. SL had asked the HSE RPE team and they had not heard of this issue. TWG members further reported some difficulty getting information from 3M and that there have been reports from ACAD and ARCA members of this issue, suggesting not an isolated incident. One solution tabled by a member of the TWG is to over-tighten the cartridge but there were concerns whether the filter itself would be ‘overloaded’ or whether this would affect the “o” ring seal – is testing and verification required by 3M?</p>

	<p>Action: SL to ask RPE lead to contact 3M with the TWG’s concerns. Action Update: HSE Policy have advised to deal with this concern as a Product Safety issue.</p>
4	Appendices
4.1	<p>Asbestos Skips, Van Waste Compartments, Waste Storage and Movement on Site</p> <p>The latest draft was reviewed, and final amends agreed.</p> <p>Clarified that this guidance was for LARC’s not NLW / NNLW as that would need additional elements added.</p> <p>Action: SL to update draft Appendix with agreed final amendments, and issue as a final version for upload to Asbestos Network webpage and to TWG members.</p>
4.2	<p>Handover of Enclosures to Analysts for 4SC (Site Supervisor Visual Inspection and Handover Form)</p> <p>The latest draft was reviewed, and final amends agreed.</p> <p>Action: SL to update draft Appendix with agreed final amendments, and issue as a final version for upload to Asbestos Network webpage and to TWG members.</p>
5	The Appendix status table was updated (see end).
6	AOB
6.1	<p>Leak testing outside a live enclosure where the NPU exhausts internally – SS indicated that leak testing was not being undertaken in all cases when it should be and presented an initial draft appendix for consideration by the TWG. A discussion on scope indicated that topics for inclusion should include work segregation, duty holder and LARC responsibilities should consider leak testing at planning stage should be in the RAMS. The definition of background testing and where leak testing is done. Flow charts for when leak testing is needed via risk assessment. Smoke testing and possibly have a monitoring methods appendix with various parts smoke testing / leak testing / analytical test planning / negative pressure monitoring.</p> <p>Action: SS to produce a revised draft to reflect the discussion points above for discussion at November meeting.</p>
6.2	SL stated that the bagging of H-VACs would be discussed at the next meeting but she had reviewed guidance in BS8520 Part 3 which contained some helpful clarification. Also important to distinguish between vacuums used for NLW and LW again to ensure clarification.
6.3	GW raised a question regarding temporary works in CDM 2015 and how it impacts LARC work – suggested a flow chart – to discuss at next meeting?

<p>6.4</p>	<p>MS provided an update on ASB5 changes from HSE AU. An extension cannot now be added automatically by the LARC post-job finish date – need to contact HSE. MS also advised of the changes that would enable the data to be collected on the number of ASB5s declaring who appoints the 4SC analyst and the number of enclosures. Data output requested by SW and whether a change to the number of enclosures is a notification to the AU.</p> <p>Action: MS to make enquiries into SW points above and report back at Nov meeting.</p>
<p>7</p>	<p>Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>5th November 2024 via MS Teams</p>

Appendices in Draft: Status Update (August 2024)

Appendix Title	Lead Author	Proposed Completion Date	Current Status	Addition AN resource required on T&F basis?
Licensed removal with no enclosure	SS	Dec 24	Feb 23 - SL to confirm the position set out by HSE Inspector has not changed and that written advice from an HSE inspector to be used as the basis of a draft Appendix. Glovebag use to be incorporated into this Appendix.	No
The Importance and Requirements of Leak Testing During Licensed Asbestos Work	SS	Dec 24	Aug 24 - Initial draft completed by SS for review and consideration of scope and content.	No
NPU Connection & Disconnection	SS	ON HOLD	Sept 22 – HSE comments to be incorporated into Appendix for discussion at Nov meeting	
Abrasive Blasting Removal Systems – <i>revision only</i>	SL	ON HOLD	March 22 - Members to provide details of current use of abrasive blasting including intel on dry ice systems. July 22 – Needle scalers to be included in the revision – intel being gathered.	
Calculating NPU airflow – <i>revision only</i>	SL	ON HOLD	July 22 - Revision to include additional guidance for LARCs on selection and use of an anemometer.	
Independence of Analysts	SL	ON HOLD	Drafting to start in August 22 – scope to include issues of DCU certs not being issued to LARCs if they are not appointed by them and also Personal Monitoring on behalf of the LARC	
Selection and Use of Encapsulants	SW	ON HOLD	Scope and content to be agreed by TWG in Sept 22 Initial draft discussed at Nov 22 meeting	
Equipment to measure differential pressure	SL	ON HOLD	Intelligence being gathered from LARCs who use this equipment by SS and SW.	