**LTMS 2 Weekly HD Teleconference 4 – July 1, 2010**

**Attendance:**

**Bishop, Zack**

**Boese, Doyle**

**Buckingham, Janet**

**Campbell, Bob**

**Carter, Brad**

**Castanien, Chris**

**Clark, Jeff**

**Cooper, Mark**

**Dvorak, Todd**

**Johnson, Ryan**

**Martinez, Jo G.**

**McCord, James**

**Moritz, Jim**

**Richards, Scott M.**

**Rutherford, Jim**

**Scinto, Phil**

The main topic for discussion for this meeting was extensions and reductions of reference periods.

After lively discussion the group reached consensus (straw vote: 11 for, 2 against, 3 waive) to keep extensions and reductions in the document.

In the current draft, extensions and reductions apply only to non reference test counts. The majority of this group agreed that extensions could also apply to time between references. Time extensions might be set to allow increased test count or time extensions might be expressed as percentages similar to test count extensions.

The second sentence from the third paragraph of Section F (“If more than 15 valid non-reference oil tests starts or more than 12 months are allowed, then the laboratory is required to run 1 acceptable reference per six month interval.”) should **not** apply when extensions push intervals over the 15 test and 12 month limits.

Although document guidelines for extensions and reductions are generally in percentages, surveillance panels should specify for each test type extensions and reductions as number of tests or calendar time.

There was general agreement that most tests are expected to adopt LTMS2. However, for some tests near the end of their life or for other reasons, it might not make sense to make the effort of conversion. This decision is made by the surveillance panel. The TMC can handle a mix of new and old versions of LTMS.

At our next meeting (July 7), we will review a new draft of the abridged document reflecting the changes agreed above and continue our flow through the document until the next obstructive issue pops up.