Discussion

C. Bishop welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order. J. Snider took roll and read the anti-trust statement. Ten of the 16 voting members were present (62%) which did represent a quorum.

The group began with a recap of WWT-2018-17 – Rating system, which the group had discussed during the task group’s previous call. Discussion on the language during that call resulted in the Rating system straw ballot. As the issue proponent was unavailable for the call, discussion was tabled.

The next agenda item was WWT-2018-20 – Pass / fail criteria. C. Bishop stated that he was planning to withdraw the issue paper. He also informed the group that he would be stepping down as task group chair. J. Snider informed the group that anyone interested in volunteering to take over as Task Group chair should contact him, and that he would work with the JC chair to find a new TG chair.

J. Snider urged the group to submit issue papers, as there seemed to be frequent discussion about revising the standard, but very few issue papers had been received. He reminded the group that an issue paper is the method to revise a standard, and that revisions didn’t have to be a rewrite of the entire standard – it is perfectly acceptable to revise the standard a piece at a time.

The group decided to resume discussion of WWT-2018-17 – Rating system with the remaining time. The group discussed the Rating system straw ballot results. B. Hennig suggested running a ballot with only the top two choices from this ballot. C. Bishop suggested that “no changes” should be an option. S. Williams suggested that while it was dependent on the certifications body’s policies, the language as balloted would contain a new requirement that no more than 20% of all effluent can exceed the monthly limit. S. Ervin warned that a regulator could just default to the most stringent levels of a rating system. J. Snider suggested that based on the comments, he would reach out to the issue proponent to discuss
breaking the rating system ballot into two parts: first implementing a rating system using current levels, then discussion of the levels of the rating system.

**Action items**

Anyone interested in being Task Group chair should contact TG secretariat ([jsnider@nsf.org](mailto:jsnider@nsf.org)) for information.

Issue papers can be submitted at any time to revise NSF Standards.

J. Snider to discuss Rating system straw ballot with issue proponent in preparation for next TG call.

Next teleconference April 9th, 2020 11:00 am