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General information

The Environmental Monitoring and Science Division (EMSD) of Alberta Environment and Parks (AEP) is responsible for monitoring, evaluating and reporting on the condition of Alberta’s environment as mandated under the Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act. Laboratories delivering analytical service in support of these activities provide key data for Alberta’s ambient environmental monitoring programs. EMSD requires that laboratories provide advanced written notice of potential method changes that may impact the quality of data being received by this division.

This Information Letter is to remind the analytical service providers that prior notification shall be provided to EMSD for any changes such as methodology modifications, method detection limit (MDL) updates, analytical instrumentation upgrades, and valid method variable (VMV) code revisions.

EMSD recognizes that the above mentioned changes are necessary to improve analytical services and is open to collaborating with laboratories to implement and document appropriate changes. EMSD requests that laboratories provide written notice of laboratory method changes 3 months in advance, or as soon as practical. These changes can be provided via email to the Standards, Quality and Innovations director (Dr Long Fu) and the principal investigator (PI) of affect projects.

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