# Detectable Warning Systems (DWS) Technical Committee Quarterly Conference Call Agenda

March 6th 1:00PM – 2:00PM EST

## Current Technical Committee Members

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1. **New Vice Chair**
   a. **Johnathan Olivieri (MassDOT)**
   - Contact people from the Annual Meeting Session
   - Johnathan took a new position and no longer can assume the VC role

2. **Recap of NTPEP Annual Meeting DWS Session**
   - Meeting minutes are available on the NTPEP.org website
   - Joel gave a presentation about the testing, slides are available with the minutes
     - He also presented about the UV Testing

3. **UV Exposure Testing**
   - Xenon arc vs. fluorescent bulbs
     - Fluorescent is very specific in the bandwidth of radiation
       - Will weather plastic, but not necessarily color
     - Xenon mimics the sun’s spectra more closely
   - How does committee want to proceed?
     - Don noted that his experience with DOTs is that his products met the “light on dark”/“dark on light” requirement
     - Karen proposed to move forward as is (Fluorescence)
       - No dissent
       - Moving forward

4. **When to Open a Submission Cycle?**
   - TufTile concerned about being a Guinee pig for the testing equipment
     - Jonathan noted that TRI is an international testing facility that has performed similar types of testing across other product categories
   - Jonathan talked about how NTPEP creates new product TCs
     - Had state buy in when we first explored this product type
       - New Product Implementation Task Force
     - Having a webinar with states to get a better understanding of their needs/hesitations with using the DWS program

5. **Industry Discussion**
   - Industry mentioned that they would like set national standards for these types of products
     - AASHTO TP103
     - M333 – AASHTO Specification, focuses on ADA values (dome geometry, etc)
   - Question about how States formally notify manufacturers about using NTPEP
     - States have cycles where they update their specs and notify manufacturers
     - Manufacturers usually get notified well in advance of these types of changes
• Some states may only use portions of the data
• States would set their own criteria for the results
• Karen also noted that a user guide will be provided to other states for how to use the data
  • Don wanted to make sure that we clarify with states that they are not getting a pass/fail result, but just raw data
    • Jonathan will provide notes from the call to industry
  • Karen mentioned that the topic of testing DWS products has been discussed at the national level for years
    • NCHRP studies – States vote to put money towards testing
    • We need to get to the right people
• States are not usually the ones buying these products; it’s the municipalities
• Question about cost
  • Fee sheet would be created prior to opening a submission cycle
  • Make sure to note to states that there are additional costs for different applications/colors/materials

6. Other Business

7. Adjourn