

Massachusetts Water Resources Authority



Boston Harbor Project





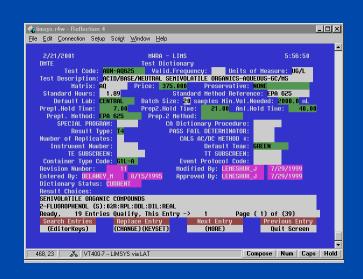
Judge Paul Garrity, "The Sludge Judge"



Boston Harbor Project

- 1995 Deer Island Treatment Plant Opens.
- 1995 Central Lab Opens.
- Using Beckman LIMS with a sole source upgrade. It was mostly pharmaceutical and eventually became obsolete.





New LIMS Project

- 2005 LIMS consultant hired.
- 2007 Request for Qualification/Bids.
- Awarded to the lowest bidder -- LabWare.
- 2008 2009: Configuration.
- 2009 Go Live 1 at 3 drinking water quality labs.
- 2010 Go Live 2 at 2 wastewater labs.
- 2014 New Version of LabWare.
- Now: Electronic Lab Notebooks. (ELN)



LabWare LIMS

- "We train you and then you do it yourself".
- Configure to our workflow.
- Configure everything.
- Configuration was painful, but necessary.
- (NOTE: I didn't say "customized".

Major Clients

- Wastewater Treatment Plants—1 large, 1 small.
 (2 Lab Locations)
- Industrial Pre-Treatment Program
- Fertilizer Pellet Plant
- Ocean Outfall
- Drinking Water Treatment Plants—1 large, 1 small. (3 Lab Locations)
- 36 fully- or partially-supplied drinking water communities.

Our Lab's Advantages

- Projects set up in advance.
- Most work is scheduled.
- Electronic reporting to clients—no data packages.
- One certification program.
- Unified QA program over five lab locations.
- "Above Reproach".
- No soils.

Most important things to get right in a LIMS?

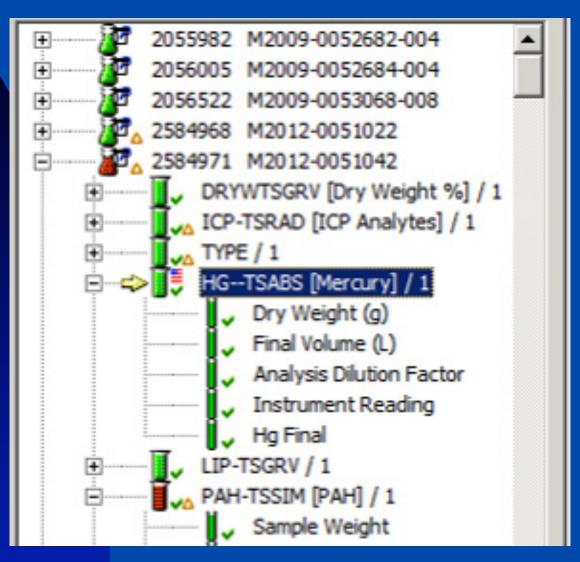
"Do Your Job!"



- Simple, consistent, efficient workflow.
- Careful, complete description of what the customer wants and how the lab delivers it.

"Sweat the small stuff."

Focusing on things that are important and/or cool...



Chain of Custody Form



Massachusetts Water Resources Authority MWRA Central Lab

Project: CLTPPP Client: CLTP							Sampler:		Comments:	Page 1 of 1	
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Trip #: 20110310-00052							Signature:		Expiration Date: 06 Sep 2011 12:04 PM		
Cooler #:		Lab Use Only	Are all contain custody sealed		Yes No						
Location	Container	ST	Contair	ner Type Pr	eservative	Test C	ode	Composite Star	t End Dat	e / Time Collected	
PINF	M2011-0013893	COMPOSI	TE G1L-A			TYPE				@	Field Result:
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Barcoded Sample Labels



MWRA CENTRAL LABORATORY

CLIENT: HARBOR PROJ: NEPRWA TRIP:8360

FACIL: NEPONSET LOC: M038 ST: G PRESERV: FREEZE

CONT: P1L DATE/TIME COLL:

COLLECTED BY:

NH3 - SWAAN NO32SWAAN

NH3-5WAAN NU325WAAN TN--SWAAN TP--SWAAN

MWRA CENTRAL LABORATORY

CLIENT: HARBOR PROJ: NEPRWA

NA TRIP:83603

PO4-SMAAN

FACIL: FIELD - QC LOC: FDUP ST: G PRESERY: NONE

CONT: P500 DATE/TIME COLL:

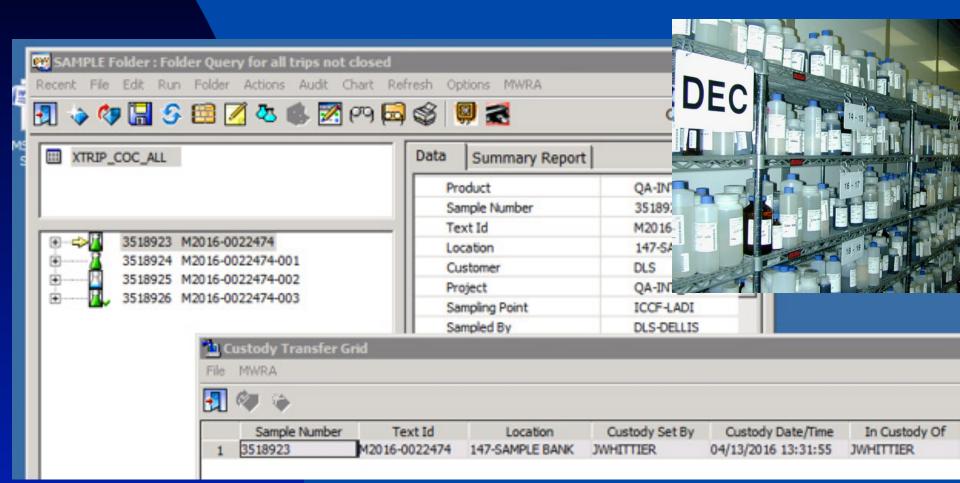
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Internal Custody

- Has the sample been collected?
- Is the container in the Sample Bank or what room of the Lab?

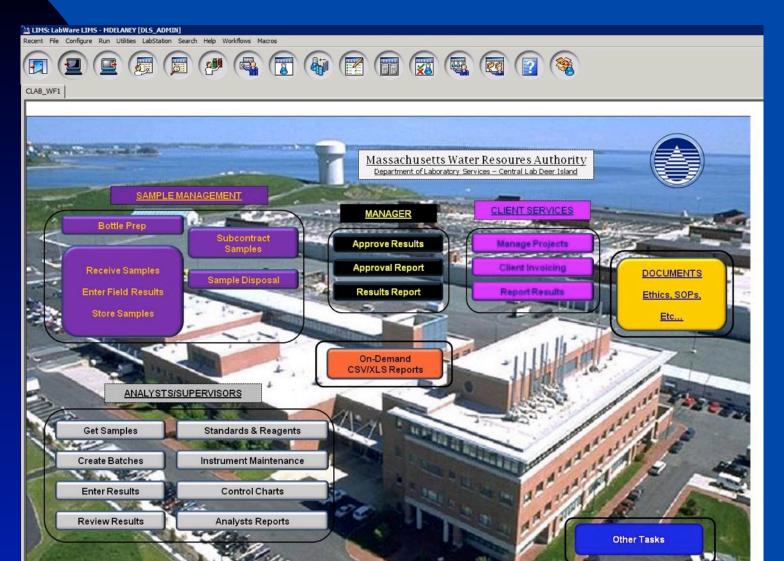


Aliquoting Tests to Containers



- For each non-field test:
 - What container?
 - What preservative?
 - ♦ What minimum volume
- Figures out how many of each type of preserved container is needed for each sample.
- Used to login in samples and print COC/Labels.

Visual Workflow: Large Central Lab



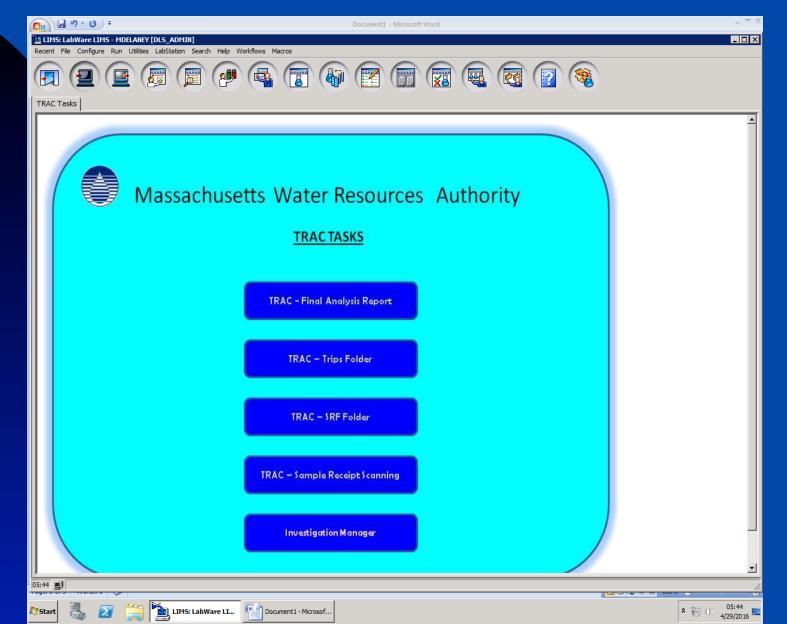
Visual Workflow: Small Wastewater Lab



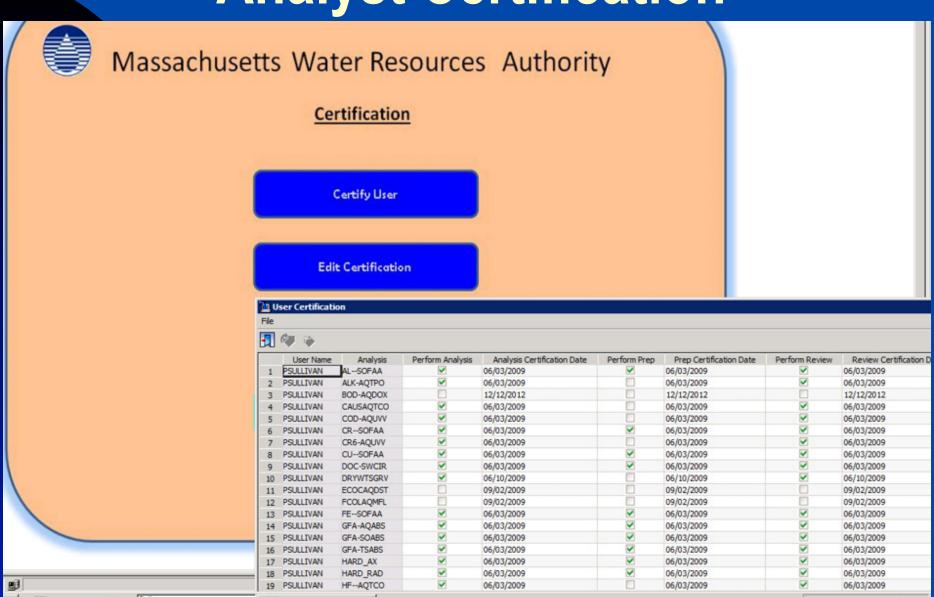
Visual Workflow: Three Drinking Water Quality Labs



Almost No Client Access in LIMS

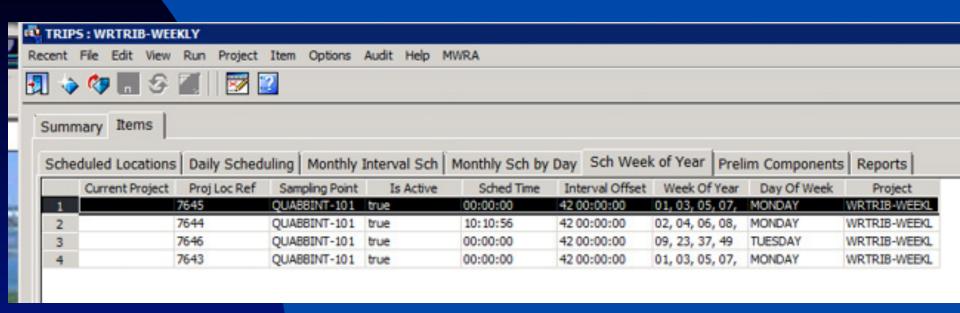


Analyst Certification

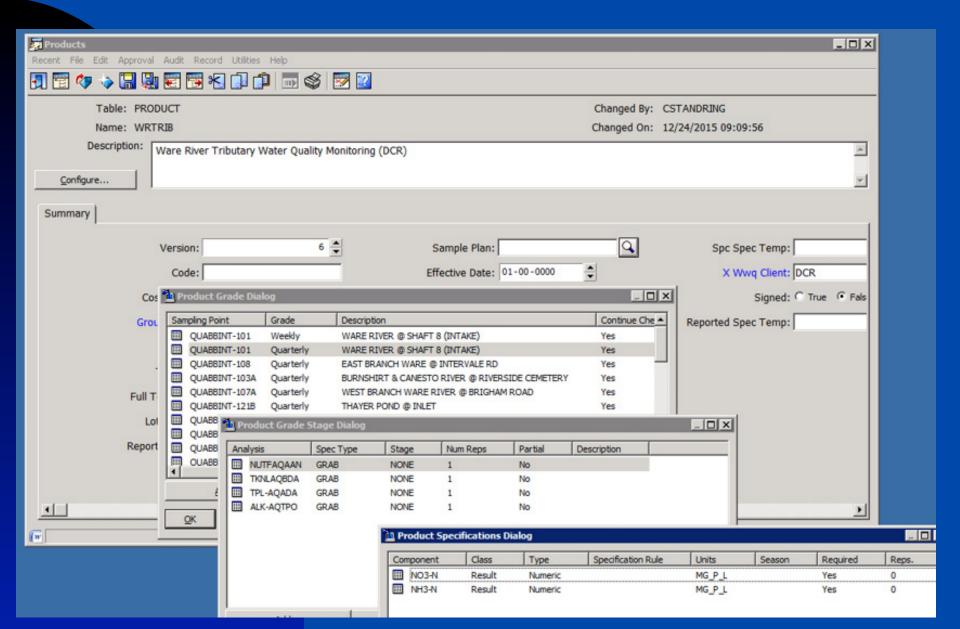


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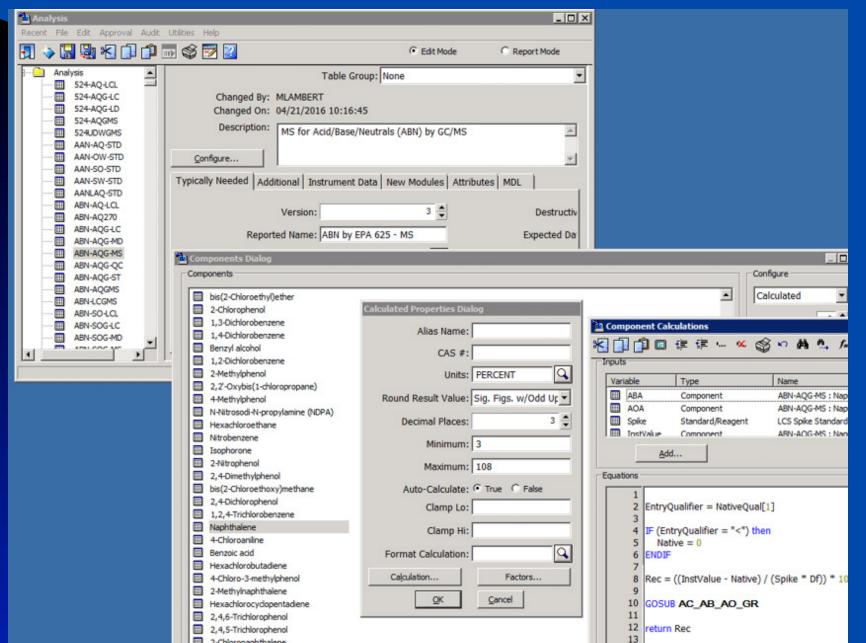
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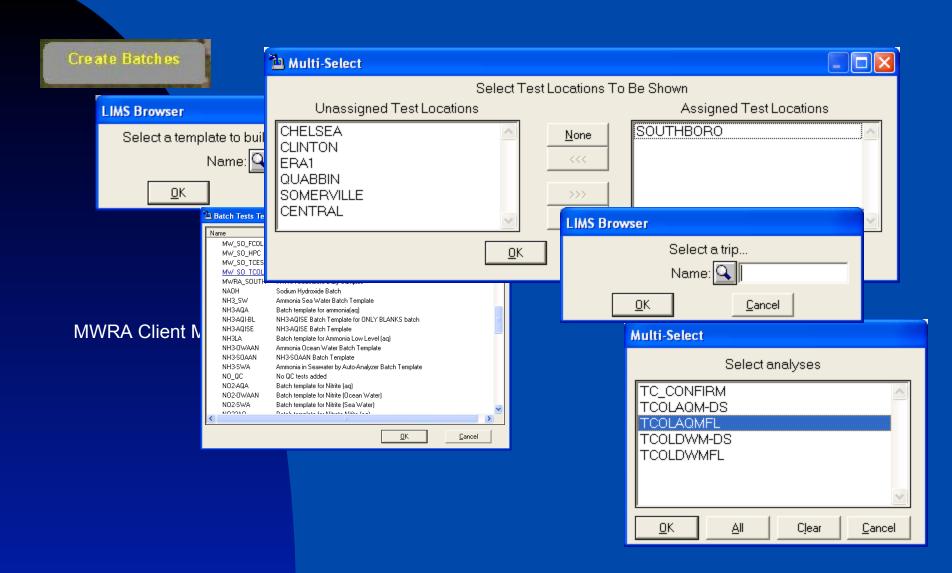
Project Specification



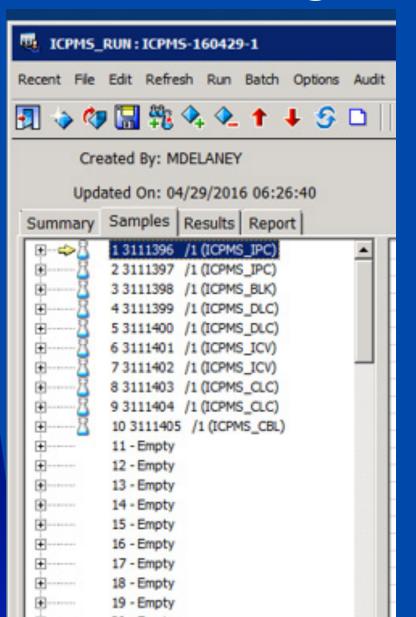
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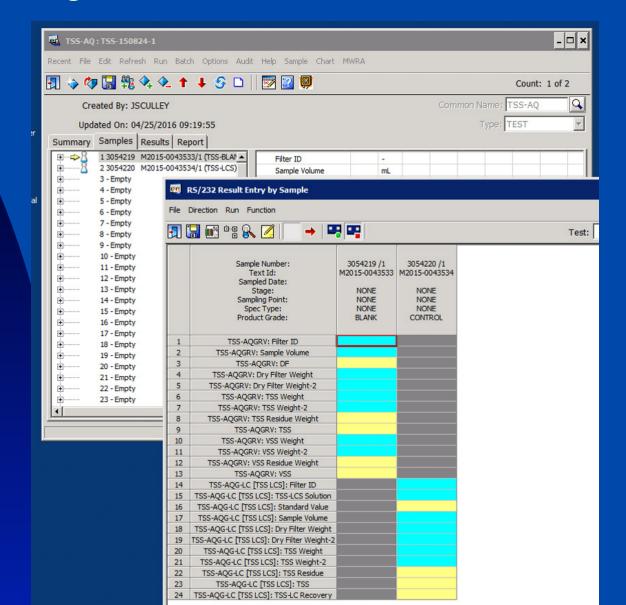
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Data Entry – Manual or Automatic

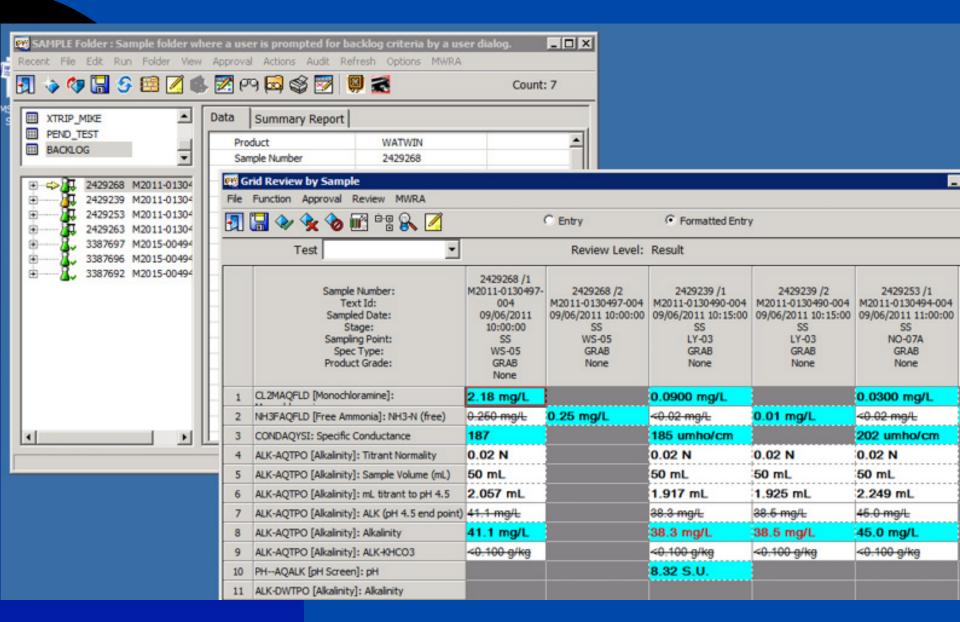


Interfaced Instruments

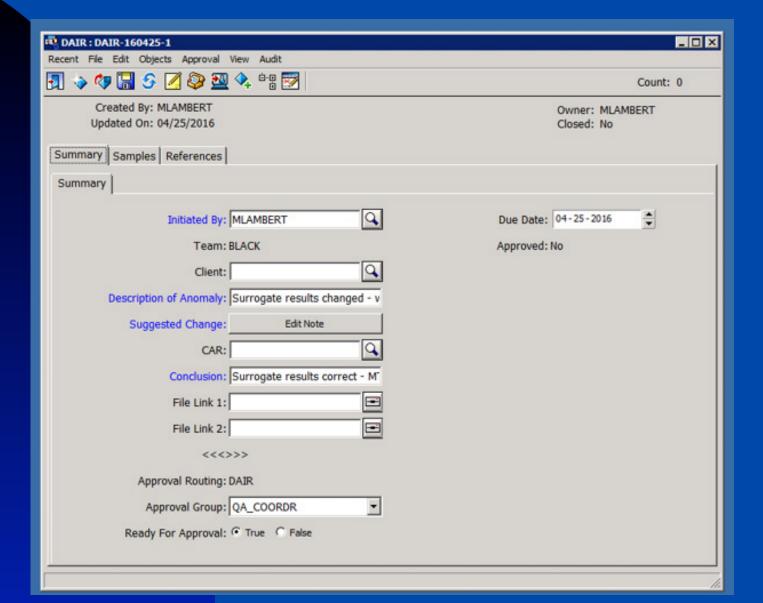
- Mostly via data files: Metals, Organics, Inorganics.
- Direct connections: analytical balances, spectrophotometer.



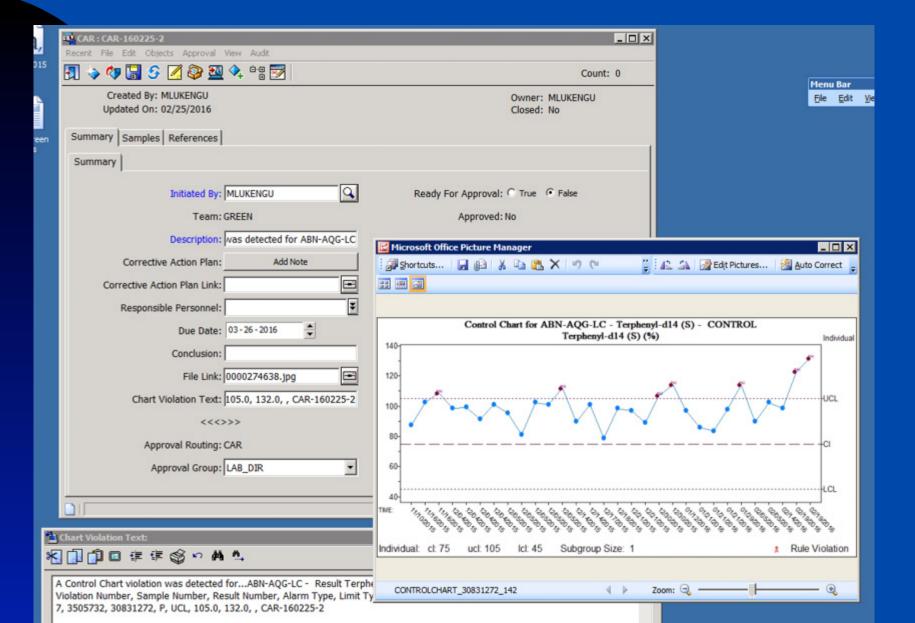
Data Review



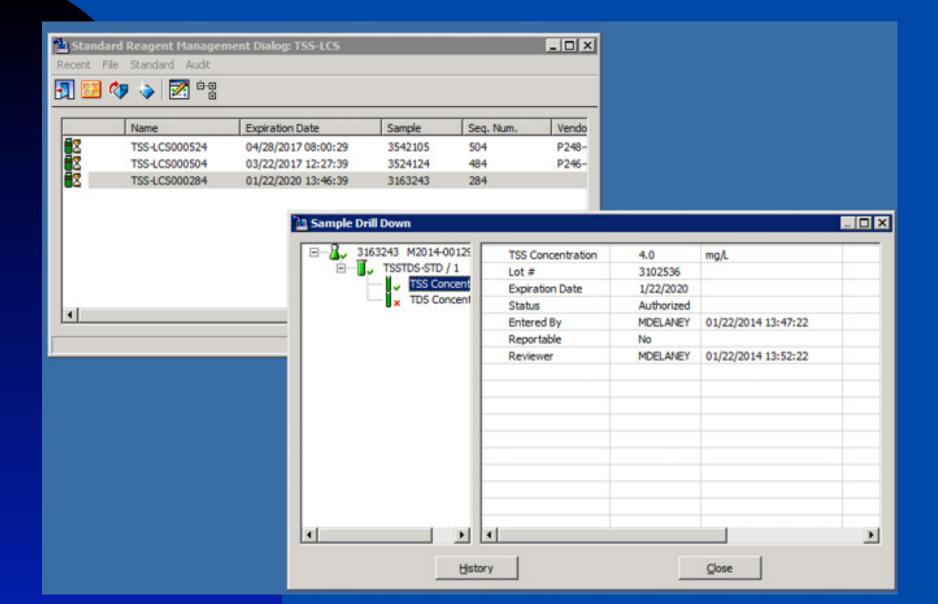
Data Corrections



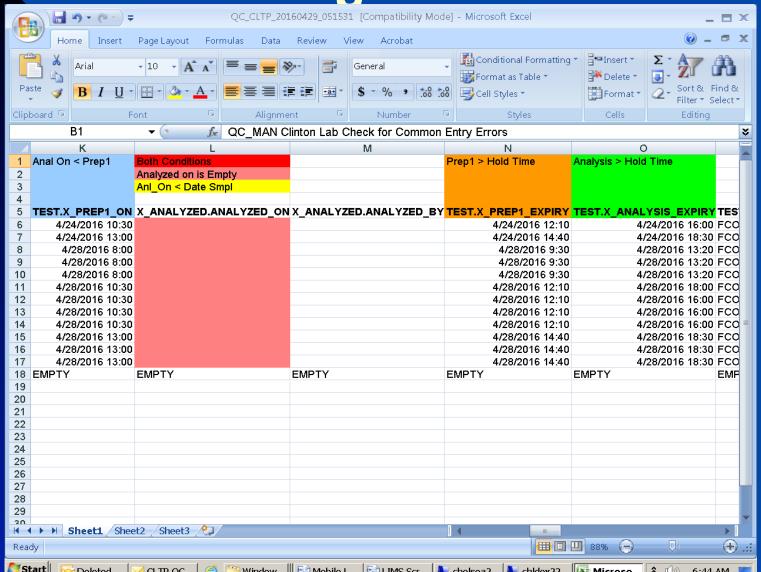
Control Charts



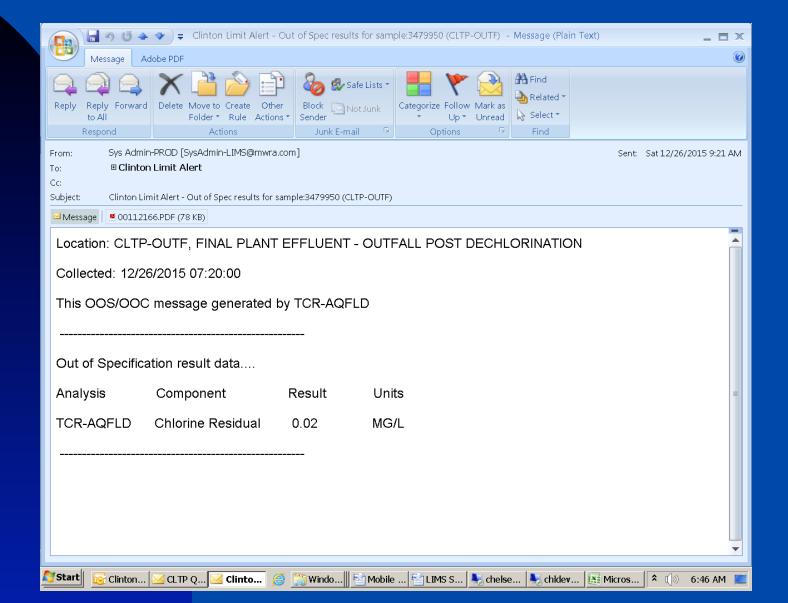
Standards and Reagents



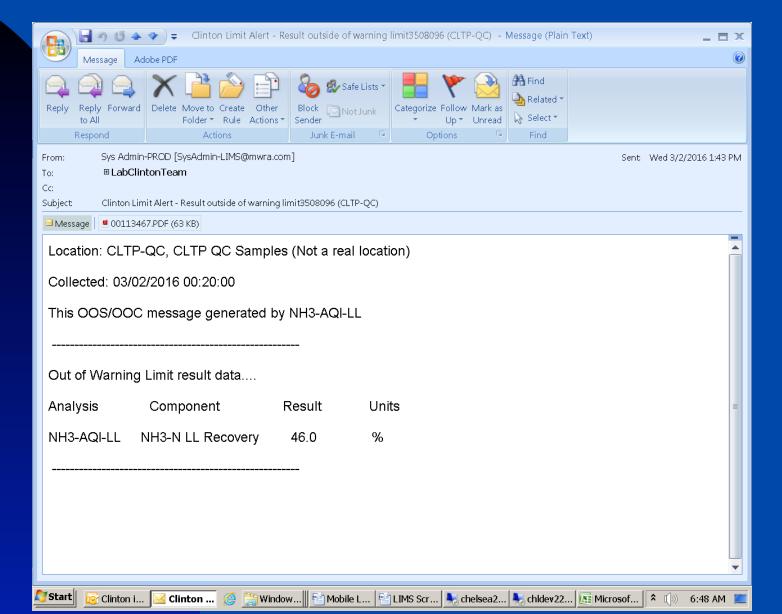
QCMAN: Overnight reports checking for errors



Automatic Email for Clients



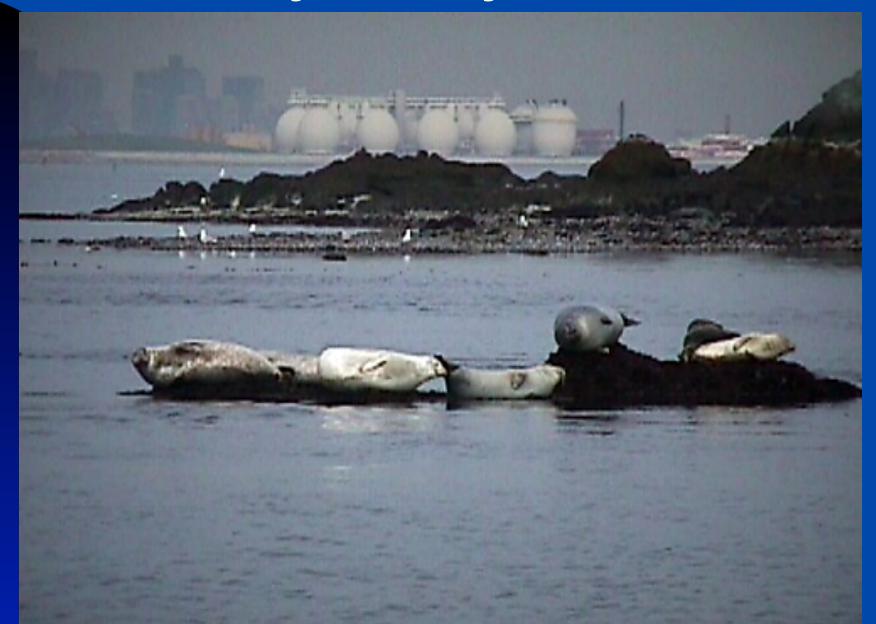
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Electronic Laboratory Notebook (ELN)



Thank you for your time!





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