MOTION #1: GUIDANCE ON RESIDUAL SOLVENTS SAMPLE RECEIPT/HANDLING

This motion outlines minimum acceptance requirements for residual solvent samples in order to increase consistency and comparability in Residual Solvents testing. Laboratories must reject samples if the following requirements are not met.

1. Each sample must individually meet the WSLCB sampling requirements (WAC 315-55-101).

2. The container must contain a minimum of 2 g of sample for residual solvents analysis. The total sample amount may contain more product but must allow for the sample size required for residual solvents.

3. Samples must be submitted in a hard sealable container or syringe. When headspace is encountered, laboratories must either reject the sample, or flag the data as having biased results due to headspace.

4. Homogenization of residual solvent samples by the laboratory is prohibited unless necessary due to sample composition. If homogenization is necessary, steps must be taken to minimize evaporative loss.

5. If any field QC is submitted (Field blanks, trip blanks, etc.) the laboratory must follow the applicable steps in the approved methods for these samples.