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Following are general comments from Hubbell Lighting related to recognition of accreditation bodies.

- It is acknowledged that lighting manufacturers using their own labs must be assessed and covered by some accreditation program.
- It is recommended that consideration be given to the NIST Laboratory Accreditation Program (NAVLAP) be used to perform the assessment and accreditation function. A single accreditation body will alleviate variations in conformance. Also, NAVLAP is a generally accepted body in the lighting industry today.
- EPA states that it may want to witness lab assessment 'at its discretion'. Consideration should be given to stating a period of advance notice to the AB to ensure that the inspection schedule is not affected.
- In general, AB's have 30 days to provide notice to EPA of changes in their signatory status. In the event that a laboratory is certified by an AB that in turn loses its signatory status, what impact is this anticipated to have on the labs that were certified under this AB?
- What is EPA's commitment to process the AB's inspection report to ensure that compliant laboratories are approved and added to the list of approved labs in a timely fashion?

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