PJLA Update Notification

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Attention All Applicant and Accredited Laboratories:

As you may be aware ISO/IEC 17025:2005 is transitioning to ISO/IEC 17025:2017. The new standard is now available on <u>www.ISO.org</u> or <u>www.ansi.org</u> for purchase as of **November 29, 2017**. PJLA has been informed that a 3-year transition period will be granted and all laboratories must be accredited to the new standard by **November 29, 2020**. PJLA will start accepting applications and begin assessing to the new standard by **February 2018** once all assessment staff has been trained. All laboratories will be asked if they would like to transition during their normal routine visits through the period of **2018-2020**. However, all laboratories must transition by no later than **August 31, 2020** regardless of your assessment due date.

We will be offering training to the new standard starting in **February 2018** for all laboratories. This will include face-to-face training as well as frequent on-line training sessions. Please ensure that you are signed up to PJLA's website to receive notifications of our upcoming training sessions.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Tracy Szerszen, President/Operations Manager directly at <u>tszerszen@pjlabs.com</u>.

Thank you!