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The Asbestos Control Program (ACP) received several questions regarding the PLM Point Counting list serve notice sent out February 1, 2013. The ACP is clarifying its statement:

EPA states that if the PLM analyst detects asbestos in the sample and estimates the amount by the visual estimation procedure to be less than 10%, the owner or operator of the building may elect to assume the amount to be greater than 1% and treat the material as asbestos-containing material. ***If the analyst visually estimates the asbestos to be less than 1%, the sample cannot be considered non-asbestos containing material unless the analyst has used the point count procedure.***

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