Prepublication Requirements

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Please note: Where applicable, this report shows current standards and EPs first, with deleted language struck-through. Then, the revised requirement follows in bold text, with new language underlined.

APPLICABLE TO THE LABORATORY ACCREDITATION PROGRAM

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Environment of Care (EC) Chapter

EC.01.01.01

The laboratory plans activities that minimize risks in the environment of care.
Note: One or more persons can be assigned to manage risks associated with the management plans described in this standard.

Element(s) of Performance for EC.01.01.01

9. The laboratory has a written plan for managing the following: Utility systems.

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Note: In circumstances where the program or service is located in a business occupancy not owned by the accredited organization, the plan may only need to address how routine service and maintenance for their utility systems are obtained.

Key: ☐ indicates that documentation is required; ☐ indicates an identified risk area;