RVTEC Subcommittee on Technical Services

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Goals:

- Define the technical services that are provided in support of oceanographic research cruises aboard each UNOLS vessel.
- Develop a standardized, web-based format for providing this information.

RVTEC Subcommittee Activities

- Three phone conferences.
- A Technical Service Information Topic Outline has been drafted
- Each Subcommittee member is completing the outline with technical services information for their respective institutions. These outlines would serve as a template for all UNOLS operator institutions.

Outline:

Technical Services Information Topics

- I. Vessel Operator Organizational Structure & Points of Contact
- **II.** Pre-Cruise Planning and Services
- **III.** Cruise Planning Details
 - A. Laboratory Spaces
 - B. Deck Spaces
 - C. Determining Personnel Requirements
 - D. Berthing Spaces and Assignments
 - E. Ancillary Projects
- VI. Cruise Loading and Setup

Outline (continued): Technical Services Information Topics

VII. Activities At Sea

- A. Chief Scientist General Responsibilities
- B. Scientific Party General Responsibilities
- C. Shipboard technician(s) Hours, Duties and Responsibilities
- D. Ship's Crew Responsibilities
- E. Ancillary Projects
- F. Science Operations
- G. Data Availability and Distribution
- H. Communications
- I. Safety considerations

VIII. Post-cruise activities

Project Timeline

- **September 30th** Complete draft outlines and post for review.
- October 3rd Subcommittee phone conference.
- October 3-24 Review by user group
- October 25-31 Subcommittee incorporates feedback and updates outlines.
- 1 November provide outlines to RVTEC in preparation for the RVTEC meeting.
- 18 November Present outlines to RVTEC