NCSLI REGIONAL TRAINING EVENT
By Rob Knake

A2LA’s Rob Knake serves as the NCSL International Mid-Atlantic Regional Coordinator. Rob, in partnership with Henry Zumbrun from Morehouse Instrument Company, coordinated a two day training event that was conducted October 17-18, 2012 at the Morehouse Instrument Company facility located in York, Pennsylvania. Mr. Phil Smith, A2LA Director of Public Affairs, was also present to help with the training event and provided morning refreshments for the attendees.

The instructors were Henry Zumbrun and William Lane from Morehouse Instrument Company. The topic was “Fundamentals of Force Calibration (A Hands on Approach).” Registration was limited to 12 attendees and the response was so good that we had to turn away potential participants. However, another training event is planned for the spring of 2013 so there will be another opportunity to take advantage of this local training event.

The training included the use of primary standards and various force calibration equipment. The attendees physically tested measurement and test equipment and were shown the importance of using appropriate calibration adapters and setups as well as the errors introduced by using incorrect calibration adapters and set ups. The participants left with a better understanding of proper force calibration techniques. Torque calibration techniques and measurement uncertainty contributors were also covered.

If you were unable to attend this time keep an eye out for the notification of the spring training session which will be posted online in the near future at ncsli.org.

If you are interested in hosting future training events or if you have topics that you would like to see covered during an upcoming training event or if you are interested in serving as a Maryland or Virginia section coordinator for NCSL International, please contact Rob Knake for more details.

Lastly, special thanks to Mrs. Mary Lane for providing homemade carrot cake for all the attendees, it was delicious!