## THE PROTOCOL AND FORMULATION FOR 95 PERCENT ASSURANCE OF THE *TESGE* RATINGS: 1<sup>st</sup> STEP: Choose the Sampling Error Factors.

For these two types of sampling errors there are two corresponding 'correction' factors, and also assigned 'A' and 'B':

	(A)	(B)
Acceptable Level of Risk	Incorrect Acceptance Coefficient	Incorrect Rejection Coefficient
1.0%	2.33	2.58
4.6	1.68	2.00
5.0	1.64	1.96
10.0	1.28	1.64
15.0	1.04	1.44
20.0	0.84	1.28
25.0	0.67	1.15
30.0	0.52	1.04
40.0	0.25	0.84
50.0	0.00	0.67
	1.0% 4.6 5.0 10.0 15.0 20.0 25.0 30.0 40.0	Acceptable Level of Risk         Incorrect Acceptance Coefficient           1.0%         2.33           4.6         1.68           5.0         1.64           10.0         1.28           15.0         1.04           20.0         0.84           25.0         0.67           30.0         0.52           40.0         0.25

- 1st Column of Table 9.8 Acceptable Level of risk for Type (A) and Type (B) sampling errors.
- (A): 'Incorrect Acceptance of the overall *TEPUI* Ratings Population' Coefficient 2<sup>nd</sup> column of Table 9.8.
- (B): 'Incorrect Rejection of the overall *TEPUI* Ratings Population' Coefficient 3<sup>rd</sup> column of Table 9.8.

For our case we will select 5% Rejection (Acceptable Level of Risk) Level of Risk for both types of sampling errors, which will yield an 'Incorrect Acceptance Error' coefficient (A) of 1.64, and an 'Incorrect Rejection Error' coefficient (B) of 1.96.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> STEP: Chose a Tolerable Misstatement for the sum-total of *TESGE* ratings, and determine the Planned

## Allowance for Sampling Risk (PAS).

For this step we:

- a) For the entire overall *TEPUI* rating population determine:
  - The total number of overall *TEPUI* ratings in the population from users.
  - The Sum-Total value of the overall TEPUI ratings.
  - The Mean Value of the entire overall *TEPUI* Population:  $\mu_{Pop}$
  - The Standard Deviation of the entire *TEPUI* Population:  $\sigma_{Pop}$
- b) Choose a 'Tolerable Misstatement for the overall *TEPUI* population. For example, say there are a total of 20,000 *TEPUI* ratings, with a sum-total value of 140,000, with a  $\mu_{Pop}=7.0$  and  $\sigma_{Pop}=1.5$ . For this population we aim for a Tolerable Misstatement no larger than 5% of the sum-total value ... 5%x140,000 = 7,000.
- c) Use your selected (A) sampling error factor (here, 1.64) and the (B) sampling error factor (here, 1.96), and compute for the Planned Allowance for Sampling Risk (PAS).

Planned Allowance for Sampling Risk (PAS) = 
$$\frac{Tolerable\ Misstatement}{1 + \frac{A}{B}}$$

For our example:

Planned Allowance for Sampling Risk (PAS) = 
$$\frac{7,000}{1 + \frac{1.64}{1.96}} = 3,811$$

## 3<sup>rd</sup> STEP: Determine the Minimum Sample Size to take of the population, and the mean, $\mu_{Sample}$ , and standard Deviation, $\sigma_{Pop}$ , of the sample taken:

For the given Population Size (in our example, 20,000), a  $\sigma_{Pop}$  (in our example,  $\sigma_{Pop}=1.5$ ), an (B) Sampling Incorrect Rejection Coefficient (in our example, B=1.96) and the computed PAS (in our example, 3,811):

$$\label{eq:minimum Sample Size} \textit{Minimum Sample Size} \geq \left[ \frac{\textit{Population Size x Sampling Incorrect Coefficient (B) x } \sigma_{\textit{Pop}}}{\textit{PAS}} \right]^2$$

For our example:

Minimum Sample Size = 
$$\left[\frac{20,000 \text{ x } 1.96 \text{ x } 1.5}{3,811}\right]^2 \ge 238$$

In our example, for a running total of overall 20,000 TEPUI ratings we just need to sample and test at least 238 of the ratings. For this example, say that we find that  $\mu_{Sample}=6.3$  and  $\sigma_{Sample}=1.3$ .

4th STEP: Determine the 'Audit-Estimated TEPUI Total Value', the 'Adjusted Allowance for Sampling Risk' and the 'Acceptance Interval for the Population Value'.

a) Audit-Estimated *TEPUI* Total Value =  $\mu_{Sample}$ x Population Size

For our example: Audit-Estimated TE Total Value = 6.3 x 20,000 = 126,000

Adjusted For our example: Allowance for =  $7,000 - \frac{(20,000 \times 1.64 \times 1.3)}{\sqrt{238}} = 4,236$ Sampling Risk

c) 
$$\frac{Acceptance\ Interval\ for}{the\ Population\ Value} = \frac{Audited\text{-}Estimted\ TEPUI}{Total\ Value} \pm \frac{\mu_{Sample}\ x\ Allowance\ for}{Sampling\ Risk}$$

Acceptance Interval for the Population Value 
$$\frac{Audited\text{-Estimted TEPUI}}{Total \, Value} \pm \frac{Adjusted}{\mu_{Sample}} \times \frac{Allowance}{Sampling \, Risk}$$
 Acceptance Interval for the Population Value 
$$\frac{Acceptance \, Interval \, for}{the \, Population \, Value} = 126,000 \pm 6.3 \, x \, 4,236 = 126,000 \pm 26,687$$
 
$$= [99,313,152,687]$$

So for our example, with an TEPUI population of 20,000 ratings; for a sample taken to value statistically of 238, the Total TEPUI Ratings Value of 140,000 falls withing the range [99,313, 152,687], we can accept the 140,000 value at a 95% confidence level – and thus accept with 95% Assurance the mean TEPUI rating of the company or industry of 7.0.