To: Bowman, Liz[Bowman.Liz@epa.gov]; Beck, Nancy[Beck.Nancy@epa.gov]
From: Abboud, Michael[/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=B6F5AF791A1842F1ADCC088CBF9ED3CE-ABBOUD, MIC]
Sent: Mon 7/31/2017 7:14:51 PM (UTC)
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Will do.

From: Bowman, Liz
Sent: Monday, July 31, 2017 3:14 PM
To: Beck, Nancy <Beck.Nancy@epa.gov>; Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Michael – can you go back to Emily and tell her that this is a lot, so we are going to pull together the information and we just need time to gather all the facts?

From: Beck, Nancy
Sent: Monday, July 31, 2017 3:12 PM
To: Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>; Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Thanks. I will find out.

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From: Abboud, Michael
Sent: Monday, July 31, 2017 12:44 PM
To: Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>; Beck, Nancy <Beck.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Hey Nancy, Liz wanted me to flag this for you and see if you had any response we could give to Emily on this issue.

From: Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com [mailto:Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com]
Sent: Monday, July 31, 2017 10:51 AM
To: Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com; Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Hi Enesta,

Just following up on this. My deadline is the end of the day today. I'm told by a former member of Arkansas' plant board that Monsanto provided the EPA with data on XtendiMax testing that had been conducted by contractors in New Mexico, Illinois, Alabama, and one or two other states but had all been syntheisized by Monsanto. Is this true? Did EPA scientists get any raw data, or did they just get complete reports from Monsanto when considering the labels for XtendiMax with VaporGrip?

Thanks and best,

Emily

From: Flitter, Emily R. (Reuters News)
Sent: Friday, July 28, 2017 4:22 PM
To: 'Daguillard, Robert'

Cc: Press
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Hi,

Some follow-up questions with a deadline of Monday at 3pm:

1. **Who** conducted testing on volatility for new dicamba formulations? EPA scientists? Monsanto? A private contractor?
2. **Can we see the data from these tests?**
3. Were the tests independent from Monsanto?
4. Does the EPA's two-year registration, which is an unusually short period of time, mean someone inside the agency suspected there might be problems?

Best,

Emily

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From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 27, 2017 4:49 PM
To: Flitter, Emily R. (Reuters News)
Cc: Press
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Again, for attribution to "an agency spokesperson," please.

EPA placed time limits on the registration to allow the Agency to either let it expire or to easily make the necessary changes in the registration if there are problems with resistant weeds or pesticide drift.

From: Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com [mailto:Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 27, 2017 3:48 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Thanks Robert these are helpful answers. One more question: Why did EPA only approve registration for the new dicamba formulations for 2 years? Did the decision relate at all to concerns about the products' volatility?

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From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 27, 2017 3:46 PM
To: Flitter, Emily R. (Reuters News)
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Emily, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

1. INCOMING/Follow- up Q: "I have learned the EPA is looking into the dicamba problems and had a conference call with state regulators and scientists from several Midwestern universities on July 13. Is the EPA formally reviewing the

registration for Monsanto's and BASF's formulations of dicamba? Is the EPA formally reviewing ANY aspect of its approval of dicamba?"

ANSWER: We are reviewing the current use restrictions on the labels for these dicamba formulations in light of the incidents that have been reported this year.

2. INCOMING: Is there someone at the EPA who can describe to me the EPA's involvement in this situation? Is the situation on the ground in Arkansas, western Tennessee, Missouri and Illinois right now causing anyone at EPA to rethink the agency's stance on Dicamba?

ANSWER: EPA is very concerned about the recent reports of crop damage related to the use of dicamba in Missouri, Arkansas and other states. We are working with the states and the registrants to better understand the issue. The underlying causes of the various damage incidents are not yet clear, but EPA is reviewing the available information carefully. We will rely on the best information available to inform our assessment, but we do not yet have enough information to consider an appropriate response.

3. INCOMING: What testing did EPA do on the latest formulations of Dicamba before they were approved?

ANSWER: EPA's analysis of the data has shown reduced volatility potential with newer formulations. EPA's risk assessment included the evaluation of studies that measured the deposition and movement of dicamba after application. These studies were conducted both in the laboratory and in the field. The information from these studies was used to model the off-target movement of dicamba after application. Modeling results were then used to determine buffers and other labeling restrictions to limit off-site movement of dicamba.

4. INCOMING: Is it true that Monsanto and BASF supply the testing data and dictate what testing can be done and what can't be done before approval? If so, where did the testing come from that the EPA used in considering these new formulations?

ANSWER: Before pesticides can be manufactured, distributed, or sold in the United States, they first undergo a rigorous registration process. EPA requires many different scientific studies from applicants wishing to register new pesticides. These studies come from all kinds of sources – pesticide companies, other governments, academia, or the published scientific literature – and help us ensure that our decisions are informed by the best science available. EPA scientists and analysts carefully review these data to determine whether to register (license) a pesticide product or use and whether specific restrictions are necessary. EPA goes through an intensive evaluation process, looking at the human health and environmental risks.

From: Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com [mailto:Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 27, 2017 10:51 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Hi Robert,

This is getting very urgent. I have learned the EPA is looking into the dicamba problems and had a conference call with state regulators and scientists from several Midwestern universities on July 13. Is the EPA formally reviewing the registration for Monsanto's and BASF's formulations of dicamba? Is the EPA formally reviewing ANY aspect of its approval of dicamba? I need to press you very urgently for answers to these and the other questions I sent earlier today. I am trying to get a story out as soon as possible.

Thanks and best regards,

Emily

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From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 4:40 PM
To: Flitter, Emily R. (Reuters News)
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Roger.

From: Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com [mailto:Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 4:37 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

That's OK – I appreciate the update and I look forward to talking tomorrow. Happy to discuss more about what I'm working on with you if it helps you gather the answers to the questions, so please feel free to call me anytime. I'm at Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 4:36 PM
To: Flitter, Emily R. (Reuters News)
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Hullo again Emily,

We're working on these questions for you. Let's touch base tomorrow to see where things stand if OK.

Regards, R.

From: Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com [mailto:Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 12:46 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Many thanks, Robert. I'll look forward to hearing from you again soon.

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From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 12:45 PM
To: Flitter, Emily R. (Reuters News); Press
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Hey Emily,

A quick word to acknowledge receipt. I'll circle back.

Thanks, R.

From: Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com [mailto:Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 12:34 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Hi,

I'm working on a story about Dicamba. Broadly, it appears Monsanto has released a new formulation (for 2017 season) of its

Dicamba product Xtend that was never tested for volatility and its potential to migrate to nearby crops. A similar situation has occurred with BASF and its new formulation. The 2017 growing season has given rise to a wave of complaints of crop damage resulting from the use of Dicamba on other crops nearby. Arkansas has now completely banned Dicamba and never approved its 2017 formulation because of the volatility potential and the lack of testing. Several lawsuits have been filed now against Monsanto over this issue. There are at least two class action suits.

Is there someone at the EPA who can describe to me the EPA's involvement in this situation? What testing did EPA do on the latest formulations of Dicamba before they were approved? Is it true that Monsanto and BASF supply the testing data and dictate what testing can be done and what can't be done before approval? If so, where did the testing come from that the EPA used in considering these new formulations? Is the situation on the ground in Arkansas, western Tennessee, Missouri and Illinois right now causing anyone at EPA to rethink the agency's stance on Dicamba?

This story's deadline isn't for a few days, but if there's any way we can start discussing this as soon as today, that would be great. I'd love to get on the phone with someone and talk more about what my story is and who the best people would be to interview. Can you please give me a call as soon as you can? Thank you!

Best regards,

Emily

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Message

From: Minoli, Kevin [Minoli.Kevin@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/12/2017 4:03:11 PM
To: Jackson, Ryan [jackson.ryan@epa.gov]; Bowman, Liz [Bowman.Liz@epa.gov]; Gunasekara, Mandy [Gunasekara.Mandy@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: FYI

Hi Ryan, Mandy, and Liz- These are good foundationally and include a great deal of what was discussed last night. Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

I'm in the final session of my year-long executive challenge course (I get the irony that I selected this year to take on a challenge course ☺) until 3:00, but then happy to meet or provide comments after that. Thank you, Kevin

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From: Jackson, Ryan
Sent: Wednesday, July 12, 2017 11:14 AM
To: Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>; Gunasekara, Mandy <Gunasekara.Mandy@epa.gov>; Minoli, Kevin <Minoli.Kevin@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: FYI

Just to bring everyone together on this.

Attached are draft TPs on what we are attempting to get done. Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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From: Gunasekara, Mandy
Sent: Wednesday, July 12, 2017 10:50 AM
To: Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>
Cc: Jackson, Ryan <jackson.ryan@epa.gov>
Subject: FYI

Hey Liz,
Happy to discuss further. The attached is meant to inform you of an interaction with Earth Justice and us last night. This is meant to inform you and your team in the event the press starts to inquire.

Mandy M. Gunasekara
Senior Policy Advisor for Office of Air and Radiation
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US Environmental Protection Agency

Message

From: Gray, David [gray.david@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/18/2017 4:12:03 PM
To: Jackson, Ryan [jackson.ryan@epa.gov]
CC: Bowman, Liz [Bowman.Liz@epa.gov]; Lyons, Troy [lyons.troy@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: AR

Ok. I will get with Liz.

Sent from my iPhone

> On Jul 18, 2017, at 11:47 AM, Jackson, Ryan <jackson.ryan@epa.gov> wrote:
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> I think it's good to Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Bowman, Liz
> Sent: Monday, July 17, 2017 6:20 PM
> To: Gray, David <gray.david@epa.gov>; Lyons, Troy <lyons.troy@epa.gov>
> Cc: Jackson, Ryan <jackson.ryan@epa.gov>
> Subject: RE: AR
>
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>
> -----Original Message-----
> From: Gray, David
> Sent: Monday, July 17, 2017 4:45 PM
> To: Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>; Lyons, Troy <lyons.troy@epa.gov>
> Cc: Jackson, Ryan <jackson.ryan@epa.gov>
> Subject: AR
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> Troy and Liz,
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> We are moving Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
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Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP). Also do you want a Press Release. Copying Ryan in case he wants to weigh in.
>
> David
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> Sent from my iPhone

Message

From: Gray, David [gray.david@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/17/2017 11:45:05 PM
To: Bowman, Liz [Bowman.Liz@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: AR

Yes

Sent from my iPhone

> On Jul 17, 2017, at 6:19 PM, Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov> wrote:
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> I think it's a good idea Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) if you can keep it on a close hold...working on it now.
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Gray, David
> Sent: Monday, July 17, 2017 4:45 PM
> To: Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>; Lyons, Troy <lyons.troy@epa.gov>
> Cc: Jackson, Ryan <jackson.ryan@epa.gov>
> Subject: AR
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> David
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> Sent from my iPhone

Message

From: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/5/2017 9:36:02 PM
To: Bowman, Liz [Bowman.Liz@epa.gov]; Wilcox, Jahan [wilcox.jahan@epa.gov]; Graham, Amy [graham.amy@epa.gov]; Hewitt, James [hewitt.james@epa.gov]; Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]; Ferguson, Lincoln [ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov]
CC: Brown, Byron [brown.byron@epa.gov]; Fotouhi, David [fotouhi.david@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: GKM Media Responses

Got it

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From: Bowman, Liz
Sent: Wednesday, July 05, 2017 5:32 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Wilcox, Jahan <wilcox.jahan@epa.gov>; Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>; Hewitt, James <hewitt.james@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>; Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>
Cc: Brown, Byron <brown.byron@epa.gov>; Fotouhi, David <fotouhi.david@epa.gov>
Subject: GKM Media Responses

Per Ryan's direction, if we get questions about GKM, we can send the following on background, not for attribution Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) Nancy, if the region gets asked, please just tell them to forward inquiries to us and we can respond. Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

FOR BACKGROUND ONLY:

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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Message

From: Ferguson, Lincoln [ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov]
Sent: 6/27/2017 12:37:19 PM
To: Graham, Amy [graham.amy@epa.gov]
CC: Bowman, Liz [Bowman.Liz@epa.gov]; Wilcox, Jahan [wilcox.jahan@epa.gov]; Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]; Kelly, Albert [kelly.albert@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: FOX NEWS SUPERFUND INTERVIEW

I will get you additional talking points this afternoon after the hearing

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 27, 2017, at 8:25 AM, Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov> wrote:

> Circling back to see where we are on this?
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> Sent from my iPhone
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> On Jun 23, 2017, at 5:40 PM, Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov> wrote:
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> > Yep!
> >
> > Thanks, headed back tomorrow
> >
> > Sent from my iPhone
> >
> > On Jun 23, 2017, at 5:23 PM, Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov> wrote:
> >
> > > Thanks, Lincoln – Can you take the lead on pulling together the talking points on this, including answers to these questions?
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> > > Hope you had a nice trip!
> > >
> > > **From:** Ferguson, Lincoln
> > > **Sent:** Friday, June 23, 2017 5:16 PM
> > > **To:** Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>
> > > **Cc:** Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>; Wilcox, Jahan <wilcox.jahan@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>; Kelly, Albert <kelly.albert@epa.gov>
> > > **Subject:** Re: FOX NEWS SUPERFUND INTERVIEW
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> > > I think this would be good, as you said he's answered these questions before.
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> > > Things I know he'll want details on before the interview:
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> > > **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Sent from my iPad

On Jun 23, 2017, at 4:59 PM, Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov> wrote:

> Team + Kell – Circling back on this. Andrew O'Reilly would like to travel to DC (from New York) to do an on-camera interview with the Administrator for FoxNews.com early next week. This could be done from the Fox DC studio or at our EPA office. They are unable to do an interview in NY on Friday.
>
> The interview will focus on the Administrator's Superfund initiative. He has assured me that while he will ask all the questions - including the tougher ones like funding and concerns of cutting corners in the cleanup process – this is not a hit piece and there won't be any gotchas.

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> He also asked for a list of Superfund sites near New York City that are good examples of where improved leadership could lead to quicker results, and I am working with the program to track this down.
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> **From:** Graham, Amy
> **Sent:** Thursday, June 22, 2017 3:38 PM
> **To:** Liz Bowman (Bowman.Liz@epa.gov) <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>; Jahan Wilcox (wilcox.jahan@epa.gov) <wilcox.jahan@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** FW: Superfund Sites
>
> FoxNews is very eager to do a story on our Superfund efforts. I've been working with Andrew to provide

background on what we're doing. He's looking to get an interview on the books – either in DC or New York – next week. Can we get this on the Administrator's calendar? I can ask them to come here to us.

From: O'Reilly, Andrew [mailto:Andrew.Oreilly@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Wednesday, June 21, 2017 11:06 AM
To: Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Superfund Sites

Hey Amy,
If the Administrator is in NY any time soon we could do it up here, but if DC is better than we could do it at our studio there (or even at EPA headquarters if I can get a videographer to tag along with me). Let me know what works best and what dates/times look good. A couple of options are always better so we can make sure to have a studio and /or shooter ready for the interview.

-Andrew

From: Graham, Amy [mailto:graham.amy@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, June 21, 2017 11:03 AM
To: O'Reilly, Andrew
Subject: RE: Superfund Sites

Hey Andrew – What are you thinking for the interview? Would the Administrator need to be in New York?

I also know you've reached out to our regional office, but it's best to direct any questions you have to me.

Thanks!

From: O'Reilly, Andrew [mailto:Andrew.Oreilly@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Wednesday, June 21, 2017 10:47 AM
To: Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Superfund Sites

Hey Amy,
Just checking to see if any progress has been made in securing the Administrator for an interview? I just spoke with our video team and we're looking to go big with this piece. Hope your day is going well.

-Andrew

From: Graham, Amy [mailto:graham.amy@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, June 20, 2017 11:40 AM
To: O'Reilly, Andrew
Subject: RE: Superfund Sites

Andrew – Per our conversation, I am sending along additional background information. Let me know if you need an on the record comment from me and I'm happy to get you something. Also working to see if we can set up an interview with the Administrator. Thanks.

On Background (not for attribution):

EPA's Superfund, Brownfields, and water infrastructure programs are key to helping bring EPA back its core mission; areas that all fell by the wayside under the Obama administration. We are currently looking for ways to better utilize all available tools and resources to clean up more contaminated lands faster so that communities are made safer and put back into productive use.

EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt recently made two big announcements on our Superfunds program, including a new Task Force, and a new directive reserving the power to select remedies estimated to cost $50 million or more with the Administrator, and instructing EPA Regions to work more closely with the Administrator's Office throughout the remedy development process.

One of Administrator Pruitt's first trips was to visit the East Chicago Superfund site, because he wanted to see and hear first-hand from the people who are counting on EPA's help. He was the first EPA Administrator to visit East Chicago.

There are currently 1,336 sites on the National Priority List of Superfund sites that are located across the country. It's very clear this was not a top-priority, or priority in general, from the previous administration because of the little progress made in eight years.

With regard to the Budget:
The proposed budget for EPA is a 31 percent cut, the proposed cut to the Superfund program is 30 percent; or a $330 million reduction. As the Administrator has said many times, money is not the issue with this program. We believe that with better leadership, and reducing inefficiencies and administrative costs, we can accelerate the pace of the clean-ups. It is also worth noting that we believe there is significant amount of money being wasted in administrative costs in this program (ranging from 28 to 55 percent depending on the region, for prior years, for indirect costs that are loaded as a percentage of direct clean-up costs, such as: administrative matters, personnel matters, guidance development, office utility and supply costs), and we

are in the process of trying to identify and reduce these inefficiencies through our Task Force. Of course, some of the oversight costs are probably necessary, but we also know there is a lot of inefficiencies and waste – so that is what we are trying to identify and flush out.

The notion that streamlining and improving the Superfund program will somehow lead to less protective or effective cleanups is false. Applicable regulations require us to select remedies that will be protective to human health and the environment based on the anticipated future use of the site and other criteria. That isn't changing as a part of this initiative. Unlike the previous administration that failed to prioritize the Superfund program, Administrator Pruitt is providing real leadership that will lead to better results at Superfund sites across the country.

Specific examples:
USS Lead Superfund Site - East Chicago, Indiana: Administrator Pruitt is the first EPA Administrator to visit East Chicago, which was listed on the National Priorities List of the worst contaminated sites in the country in 2009. He has pledged improved coordination, communication and cleanup of the site working alongside federal, state and local partners. Under Pruitt's leadership, EPA has taken actions to expedite cleanup, and today EPA announced the creation of a community involvement coordinator to serve as a director point of contact for East Chicago residents. At East Chicago: EPA cleaned up 50 properties in 2016, 200 properties in 2017 and anticipates cleaning up 400 more properties in 2018 and 2019, excluding the housing complex property in zone 1.

West Lake Landfill Superfund Site – Bridgeton, Missouri: This site has been on the National Priorities List (NPL) for 28 years. Administrator Pruitt has committed to a solution within a few months. While this is not finished or fixed even once a decision is made, it shows action to solve a problem that no one else has addressed in almost two decades. While we do not yet know the recommended solution, we are committed to getting this matter resolved.

The Anaconda Copper Mine – Nevada: This site was not put on the NPL list because a private/state solution was proposed. Administrator Pruitt met with Nevada Gov. Sandoval about the site to discuss brokering a deal with the PRP (Potentially Responsible Parties) to get the site cleaned up without having to have it added to the NPL – showing deference to the state and governor, and showing cooperative federalism.

Here is a link to additional information on how Superfund settlements are negotiated with potentially responsible parties (PRPs): https://www.epa.gov/enforcement/negotiating-superfund-settlements

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From: O'Reilly, Andrew [mailto:Andrew.Oreilly@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Tuesday, June 20, 2017 9:31 AM
To: Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Superfund Sites

Hey Amy,
My office number is 212-901-4712. Look forward to hearing from you.

-Andrew

From: Graham, Amy [mailto:graham.amy@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, June 20, 2017 9:30 AM
To: O'Reilly, Andrew
Subject: RE: Superfund Sites

Hi Andrew – Absolutely. What's the best number to call you at around 10:30?

From: O'Reilly, Andrew [mailto:Andrew.Oreilly@FOXNEWS.COM]
Sent: Tuesday, June 20, 2017 9:16 AM
To: Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>
Subject: Superfund Sites

Hi Amy,
I'm a reporter with Fox News and am working on a story about Administrator Pruitt's push to speed up Superfund clean-ups and what this would entail. I was hoping you had a a couple of minutes today for a phone call to discuss this. Look forward to hearing back from you.

-Andrew

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Message

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Sent: 11/1/2017 7:54:01 PM
To: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Scripps News Request//Groundwater and MNA

I've shared her request with the federal facilities office in OLEM.

From: Hill, Angela [mailto:angela.hill@scripps.com]
Sent: Wednesday, November 01, 2017 1:49 PM
To: StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Scripps News Request//Groundwater and MNA

Hi Christie,
Again, thank you for the information you have provided so far. There is no doubt it is helpful towards getting us part of the way there! Interestingly, reviewing the info you've provided has raised some new questions. I continue to write in the spirit of working with the EPA in good faith with the purpose of making sure we're understanding the information so that we can accurately report it.

When reviewing and analyzing data, it's our standard practice to engage with the federal agency, just to fact-check what data fields are available, and importantly, what they stand for—and what they do not. In doing so, and as I've done, our standard operating procedure is to tell agencies we **are not looking to quote anyone for attribution**. This is to ensure a safe conversation where we can simply understand the data. And so I'm appreciative of your willingness to continue to engage!

While I continue to wonder if it might be most efficient for me to hop on the line with you, and a subject matter expert, I also want to respect everyone's time. So, I've taken the time to write out a number of questions/ discrepancies I seem to be seeing in the data from one part of what EPA makes available, and the data from the other links you've sent along. It's not my intention to overwhelm you with these questions – again, I just want to make sure I'm clear on the information.

I'm providing several specific examples with hopes that you'll see we're truly spending the time on our end doing homework. We always seek to be responsible in how we engage with agencies like the EPA and hope they would provide us the guidance to help us get the most accurate information to the public. Again, this is NOT for quoting. We just want to understand how the data sets play and merge with each other, how they don't, and where certain information is best stored. If we need quotes from EPA on the record, I promise, we'll come back to you at a later time.

While I'd propose a conversation scheduled for a limited amount of time would be the best and fastest way to help move us forward from here (that way, your SMEs would not have to take time to write out answers to everything here), I'll defer to you on the best way to handle.

A bit more detail: I reviewed the links you sent in your last email. I've copied below a few examples of sites where MNA is indicated at an Operable Unit, based on what you've sent me. However, for these and other sites where MNA is indicated, as you'll see it doesn't appear to identify the actual contaminant(s) for which MNA is being used on. I've provided links to the "cleanup activities operable units page" for the examples below. Because sites, and operable units can have multiple contaminants, and even multiple technical solutions, based on what you've sent so far, it's not clear what solutions are applied to which specific contaminants. In some cases, there are four or five solutions listed—and more than a dozen contaminants. It leaves one wondering—do all five solutions gets applied to all 12 contaminants at an operable unit? Or- does MNA apply to only 1 or 2 of the contaminants, while the other four listed solutions apply to other specific contaminants?

I'd appreciate your help in identifying a data table/data source where it identifies which contaminants MNA is being used for. It would be helpful to have this information for each of the sites in the database that indicates MNA. Again, these sites listed below are just examples and we're hoping to use them to spur conversation that can lead us toward a better understanding of which specific technical solutions are applied to which specific contaminants *within* an operable unit:

CAMP LEJEUNE MILITARY RES. (USNAVY)
ONSLOW COUNTY, NC
Operable Units: 07, 11, 17, 22
https://cumulis.epa.gov/supercpad/SiteProfiles/index.cfm?fuseaction=second.ous&id=0403185
Question: For the operable units where MNA is used, for which contaminant(s) is it being used for?

NEWPORT NAVAL EDUCATION & TRAINING CENTER
NEWPORT, RI
Operable Units: 07
https://cumulis.epa.gov/supercpad/SiteProfiles/index.cfm?fuseaction=second.ous&id=0101431
Question: For the operable unit where MNA is used, for which contaminant(s) is it being used for?

HANFORD 300-AREA (USDOE)
BENTON COUNTY, WA
Operable Units: 02
https://cumulis.epa.gov/supercpad/SiteProfiles/index.cfm?fuseaction=second.ous&id=1001111
Question: For the operable units where MNA is used, for which contaminant(s) is it being used for?

Lastly, using the 2014 Data of the Federal Facility NPL Remedial Decisions you directed me to, I've made the following observations and appreciate your assistance in answering the questions noted below:

2014 DATA

Federal Facility NPL Remedial Decisions: RODs, ROD Amendments and ESDs per Fiscal Year (FY 1983 – 2014)

I clicked on 2014

And sorted by California and Groundwater

https://ofmpub.epa.gov/apex/ffcc/f?p=FFCC:38:::::P38_YEAR:2014

Identified **MOFFETT FIELD NAVAL AIR STATION, MOFFETT FIELD, CA**

The column "Media" indicated Groundwater

The column "Remedies" includes the following:
Bioremediation (anaerobic, insitu), Bioremediation (bioaugmentation, insitu), ESD/Amd - ICs - Implement or Change, ESD/Amd - Remedy Component Removal, Institutional Controls,Monitored Natural Attenuation

When I click on Moffett Naval Air > Cleanup Activities > Operable Units
https://cumulis.epa.gov/supercpad/SiteProfiles/index.cfm?fuseaction=second.ous&id=0902734

Under the column "Cleanup Technologies Selected in the Decision Document," MNA is not listed for any of the operable units.

QUESTIONS:

Why is MNA listed in the Remedies column here:

https://ofmpub.epa.gov/apex/ffcc/f?p=FFCC:38:::::P38_YEAR:2014

But not here:
https://cumulis.epa.gov/supercpad/SiteProfiles/index.cfm?fuseaction=second.ous&id=0902734

Federal Facility NPL Remedial Decisions: RODs, ROD Amendments and ESDs per Fiscal Year (FY 1983 – 2014)

I clicked on 2014

I sorted by Pennsylvania and Groundwater

https://ofmpub.epa.gov/apex/ffcc/f?p=FFCC:38:::::P38_YEAR:2014

Identified **LETTERKENNY ARMY DEPOT, PA**

The column "Media" indicated Groundwater

The column "Remedies" includes the following:
Institutional Controls, Monitored Natural Attenuation

When I click on Letterkenny Army Depot > Cleanup Activities > Operable Units
https://cumulis.epa.gov/supercpad/SiteProfiles/index.cfm?fuseaction=second.ous&id=0302458

Under the column "Cleanup Technologies Selected in the Decision Document," MNA is not listed for any of the operable units.

QUESTIONS:

Why is MNA listed in the Remedies column here:
https://ofmpub.epa.gov/apex/ffcc/f?p=FFCC:38:::::P38_YEAR:2014

But not here?:
https://cumulis.epa.gov/supercpad/SiteProfiles/index.cfm?fuseaction=second.ous&id=0302458

Federal Facility NPL Remedial Decisions: RODs, ROD Amendments and ESDs per Fiscal Year (FY 1983 – 2014)

I clicked on 2014

Sorted by Rhode Island and Groundwater

https://ofmpub.epa.gov/apex/ffcc/f?p=FFCC:38:::::P38_YEAR:2014

Identified **DAVISVILLE NAVAL CONSTRUCTION BATTALION CENTER, RI**

The column "Media" indicated Groundwater

The column "Remedies" includes the following:
Institutional Controls, Monitored Natural Attenuation

When I click on Davisville Naval Construction Battalion Center > Cleanup Activities > Operable Units

https://cumulis.epa.gov/supercpad/SiteProfiles/index.cfm?fuseaction=second.ous&id=0101430

Under the column "Cleanup Technologies Selected in the Decision Document," Monitored Natural Attenuation (MNA) is not listed for any of the operable units.

QUESTIONS:

Why is MNA listed in the Remedies column here:
https://ofmpub.epa.gov/apex/ffcc/f?p=FFCC:38:::::P38_YEAR:2014

But not here?:
https://cumulis.epa.gov/supercpad/SiteProfiles/index.cfm?fuseaction=second.ous&id=0101430

Federal Facility NPL Remedial Decisions: RODs, ROD Amendments and ESDs per Fiscal Year (FY 1983 – 2014)

I clicked on 2014

Sorted by Virginia and Groundwater

https://ofmpub.epa.gov/apex/ffcc/f?p=FFCC:38:::::P38_YEAR:2014

Identified **MARINE CORPS COMBAT DEVELOPMENT COMMAND, VA**
The column "Media" indicated Groundwater
The column "Remedies" includes the following:
Institutional Controls, Monitored Natural Attenuation

When I click on Marine Corps Combat Development Command > Cleanup Activities > Operable Units
https://cumulis.epa.gov/supercpad/SiteProfiles/index.cfm?fuseaction=second.ous&id=0302840

Under the column "Cleanup Technologies Selected in the Decision Document," Monitored Natural Attenuation (MNA) is not listed for any of the operable units.

QUESTIONS:

Why is MNA listed in the Remedies column here:
https://ofmpub.epa.gov/apex/ffcc/f?p=FFCC:38:::::P38_YEAR:2014

But not here?:
https://cumulis.epa.gov/supercpad/SiteProfiles/index.cfm?fuseaction=second.ous&id=0302840

Federal Facility NPL Remedial Decisions: RODs, ROD Amendments and ESDs per Fiscal Year (FY 1983 – 2014)

I clicked on 2014

Sorted by Washington and Groundwater

https://ofmpub.epa.gov/apex/ffcc/f?p=FFCC:38:::::P38_YEAR:2014

Identified **HANFORD 100 - AREA (USDOE), WA**
The column "Media" indicated Groundwater

The column "Remedies" includes the following:
Institutional Controls, Monitored Natural Attenuation

When I click on Hanford 100-Area (USDOE) > Cleanup Activities > Operable Units
https://cumulis.epa.gov/supercpad/SiteProfiles/index.cfm?fuseaction=second.ous&id=1001114

Under the column "Cleanup Technologies Selected in the Decision Document," Monitored Natural Attenuation (MNA) is not listed for any of the operable units.

QUESTIONS:

Why is MNA listed in the Remedies column here:
https://ofmpub.epa.gov/apex/ffcc/f?p=FFCC:38:::::P38_YEAR:2014

But not here?:
https://cumulis.epa.gov/supercpad/SiteProfiles/index.cfm?fuseaction=second.ous&id=1001114

Thank you for your assistance. It would be helpful to receive a response to my inquiries by **Friday, November 3, 2017** with my preference being an opportunity to speak with someone.

Regards,
Angela M. Hill
National Investigative Producer
Scripps News Washington Bureau
202.408.2728 o | Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) c | @AngelaMHill

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From: Hill, Angela
Sent: Thursday, October 26, 2017 1:41:02 PM
To: StClair, Christie
Subject: RE: Scripps News Request//Groundwater and MNA

Hi Christie,
I'm not looking for anything from you at this time. However, as I mentioned, I'll likely circle back to you once I've finished reviewing the information you provided.

Thank you,
Angela M. Hill
National Investigative Producer
Scripps News Washington Bureau
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From: StClair, Christie [mailto:StClair.Christie@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, October 26, 2017 11:31 AM
To: Hill, Angela <angela.hill@scripps.com>
Subject: RE: Scripps News Request//Groundwater and MNA

Hi Angela, we have nothing further to add at this time.

Christie

From: Hill, Angela [mailto:angela.hill@scripps.com]
Sent: Thursday, October 26, 2017 10:00 AM
To: StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Scripps News Request//Groundwater and MNA

Good morning Christie, Thanks for the additional information — it's helpful.

As a point of clarification, at this time we are simply looking to understand the data sets. We are not looking for attributions or to quote anyone.

I've spent some time reviewing the data and will continue to do so today. While I'm open to submitting follow-up questions in writing, given the nuances of the data, potential complexities and our deadline, I believe it would be beneficial to us and I suspect more efficient for you and your team to have a brief conversation at some point if we find we have outstanding questions versus back and forth emails that could take days before reaching a consensus of understanding. And that conversation could be on background. Again, our foremost priority at this juncture is obtaining clarity on the data/information.

I'm working away from the office today but hope to complete review of the information sometime tomorrow.

I greatly appreciate your assistance in moving this process along.

Regards,

~Angela

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 25, 2017, at 2:57 PM, StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov> wrote:

> Angela, please attribute to an agency spokesperson.
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> We would direct you to information already available on our website.
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> Below are specific instructions for accessing the information.
>
> ? The information is available on our FedFacts Dashboard which can be found at the following link: https://ofmpub.epa.gov/apex/ffcc/f?p=111:1[ofmpub.epa.gov]::::::

- ? Once you navigate to the link, scroll to the bottom chart titled, "Federal Facility NPL Remedial Decisions: RODs, ROD Amendments and ESDs per Fiscal Year".

- ? Once you navigate to the chart, please click the FY that you are interested in. This will drill down to the details of that particular FY.

- ? From there you will be able to search and sort by Site, Region or even Media, such as groundwater. You can also type in specific criteria you are interested in searching such as 'Monitored Natural Attenuation.'

- ? Once you have the information you need filtered, you can click the "Actions" button and then click "download" to export the dataset.

Regarding the codes you asked about - The OU and Action Code ID demonstrate to the user that the Remedy displayed has more than 1 component or media and is part of the same overall remedy. If you come back with additional questions after reviewing the information on our website, we would be happy to respond in writing.

Thanks,
Christie

From: Hill, Angela [mailto:angela.hill@scripps.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 25, 2017 10:31 AM
To: StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Scripps News Request//Groundwater and MNA

Good morning Christie, Thanks for following up with your colleagues. Your earlier response seemed to imply they would be available this week since they were out last week. Nonetheless, it's been a week since my initial request. I'd hope we could briefly speak with someone involved with developing the dataset or be redirected to another team who could assist — or at the minimum get an idea of how long it might be before we could speak with someone.

I have a deadline of this Friday.

Again, I'm not trying to be a pest but simply looking for the agency's explanation/guidance of these public data sets.

I appreciate your assistance and hope your colleagues will be available to speak soon.

Best,
~Angela

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 25, 2017, at 8:32 AM, StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov> wrote:

> Angela, I said that they MIGHT. I've not yet heard back from the experts about their availability. I'll ping them again.
>
> Christie

On Oct 24, 2017, at 5:16 PM, Hill, Angela <angela.hill@scripps.com> wrote:

Christie,
I appreciate the update. Last week you indicated your colleagues would be able to speak this week. Can you give me a sense of what might be causing the delay and when this week they might be available?

Thanks,
Angela M. Hill
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From: StClair, Christie [mailto:StClair.Christie@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, October 24, 2017 4:58 PM
To: Hill, Angela <angela.hill@scripps.com>
Subject: RE: Scripps News Request//Groundwater and MNA

Angela, I'm sorry but I don't have anything to share yet.

From: Hill, Angela [mailto:angela.hill@scripps.com]
Sent: Tuesday, October 24, 2017 4:56 PM
To: StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Scripps News Request//Groundwater and MNA

Hi Christie,
Just checking in to see where things stand.
I don't mean to be a bother but understanding the data fields is key and we're on a bit of a tight timeline.
I'm out of the office most of the day tomorrow with intermittent access to email after 10 am. However, if one of your colleagues is available, my co-reporting colleague could also take the call.

Thanks,
Angela M. Hill
National Investigative Producer
Scripps News Washington Bureau
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From: Hill, Angela
Sent: Tuesday, October 24, 2017 11:11 AM
To: 'StClair, Christie' <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Scripps News Request//Groundwater and MNA

Christie, I'm so sorry for mixing up your name -- please accept my apology.
Thanks – I appreciate your assistance.

Regards,
Angela M. Hill
National Investigative Producer
Scripps News Washington Bureau
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From: StClair, Christie [mailto:StClair.Christie@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, October 24, 2017 11:07 AM
To: Hill, Angela <angela.hill@scripps.com>
Subject: RE: Scripps News Request//Groundwater and MNA

Hi Angela – my name is Christie, actually, but the last name gets a lot of folks confused.

I'm actually checking in on this as we speak. I'll let you know as soon as I hear something.

From: Hill, Angela [mailto:angela.hill@scripps.com]
Sent: Tuesday, October 24, 2017 11:05 AM
To: StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Scripps News Request//Groundwater and MNA

Hi Claire,
Touching base – is someone available to speak with us today about the Superfund Data Report and Remedy Decision documents we discussed last week?

https://www.epa.gov/superfund/superfund-data-and-reports[epa.gov]

IC/EC IN REMEDY DECISION DOCUMENTS, DATA AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2013 (XLS)[semspub.epa.gov](1 pp, 2.4 MB, About PDF)[epa.gov]

LIST 10 - CONTAMINANTS AT CERCLIS SITES (WITH .XLS ATTACHED)[semspub.epa.gov](4610 pp, 25.8 MB, About PDF)[epa.gov]

Thanks,
Angela M. Hill
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From: Hill, Angela
Sent: Thursday, October 19, 2017 3:39 PM

To: 'StClair, Christie' <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Scripps News Request//Groundwater and MNA

I appreciate your help -- understanding the data is key to us moving forward on the story.

Regards,
Angela M. Hill
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From: StClair, Christie [mailto:StClair.Christie@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, October 19, 2017 2:54 PM
To: Hill, Angela <angela.hill@scripps.com>
Subject: Re: Scripps News Request//Groundwater and MNA

I'll let them know but can't promise anything.

On Oct 19, 2017, at 2:47 PM, Hill, Angela <angela.hill@scripps.com> wrote:

> Christie, Thanks for the update. I'd appreciate your help in scheduling a call with them on Monday or Tuesday of next week if at all possible.
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> Thanks,
> Angela M. Hill
> National Investigative Producer
> Scripps News Washington Bureau
> 202.408.2728 o | Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) c | @AngelaMHill
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> **From:** StClair, Christie [mailto:StClair.Christie@epa.gov]
> **Sent:** Thursday, October 19, 2017 1:22 PM
> **To:** Hill, Angela <angela.hill@scripps.com>
> **Subject:** RE: Scripps News Request//Groundwater and MNA
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> Angela, the two people who could help are on leave this week, so I don't think we can do much to help until next week.
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> **From:** Hill, Angela [mailto:angela.hill@scripps.com]
> **Sent:** Thursday, October 19, 2017 1:03 PM
> **To:** StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** RE: Scripps News Request//Groundwater and MNA
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> Hi Christie,

Touching base – any chance we'll be able to speak with one of your colleagues today? I'm out of the office tomorrow so was hoping we could have a brief chat today.

Thanks,
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From: Hill, Angela
Sent: Wednesday, October 18, 2017 5:14 PM
To: 'StClair, Christie' <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Scripps News Request//Groundwater and MNA

Hi Christie,
Perhaps one of your colleagues who deals in the technical can have a brief chat with us sometime tomorrow. It's a bit much to elaborate in writing. We're trying to get clarification on what some of the codes in the "Remedy Decision Documents…" spreadsheet and "Contaminants at CERCLIS sites" pdf mean and how they may compliment one another.

In the spreadsheet, it's unclear how they OU_ID codes relate to the column marked "RMedia_Desc; when "natural attenuation" is noted, it's not clear what contaminants are present; and I'd also like guidance on what "ACT_ACTL_CMPLTN_DATE" and ACT_CURR_PLN_CMPLTN_DATE" mean.

These are a few examples of the items we'd like clarification on – which is why it may be more expedient to chat. I'm sure we can keep it brief. And it might also inform my initial request to you. The data in the spreadsheet in my last email is from 2013 and per my request we'd want the most recent data points.

Again, I appreciate your assistance.

Thanks,
Angela M. Hill
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From: StClair, Christie [mailto:StClair.Christie@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, October 18, 2017 4:44 PM
To: Hill, Angela <angela.hill@scripps.com>
Subject: RE: Scripps News Request//Groundwater and MNA

Angela, I'm not a technical expert. Can you elaborate in writing, and I'll pass it along?

From: Hill, Angela [mailto:angela.hill@scripps.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 18, 2017 4:15 PM
To: StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Scripps News Request//Groundwater and MNA

Hi Christie,
We did a bit more digging on the EPA site and came across the information below that might be helpful to my request.

Do you have a few minutes now to chat with me and my colleague? I want to make sure we understand the data; it may lead to an adjustment to my initial request.

https://www.epa.gov/superfund/superfund-data-and-reports[epa.gov]

IC/EC IN REMEDY DECISION DOCUMENTS, DATA AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2013 (XLS)[semspub.epa.gov](1 pp, 2.4 MB, About PDF)[epa.gov]

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Thanks,
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From: Hill, Angela
Sent: Wednesday, October 18, 2017 1:08 PM
To: 'StClair.Christie@epa.gov' <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Scripps News Request//Groundwater and MNA

Hi Christie,
Thanks for the quick response – nice chatting with you.

Per our conversation, these are the fields I'm requesting for MNA remedies:

? State
? Site Name
? EPA region
? Operable Unit
? EPA ID
? Document Type
? Decision Document Date
? Groundwater Remedies (in the event it's MNA in addition to something else)
? Status on NPL (active, completed, removed, etc.)

Many thanks!

Angela M. Hill
National Investigative Producer
Scripps News Washington Bureau
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From: Hill, Angela
Sent: Wednesday, October 18, 2017 12:57 PM
To: 'StClair.Christie@epa.gov' <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Scripps News Request//Groundwater and MNA

Superfund Decision Documents.

https://19january2017snapshot.epa.gov/superfund/search-superfund-decision-documents_.html[19january2017snapshot.epa.gov]

From: Hill, Angela
Sent: Wednesday, October 18, 2017 12:52 PM
To: 'StClair.Christie@epa.gov' <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Scripps News Request//Groundwater and MNA

Christie -- Apologies for the mis-identifying you as "Christine."

From: Hill, Angela
Sent: Wednesday, October 18, 2017 12:50 PM

To: 'StClair.Christie@epa.gov'
<StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Subject: Scripps News Request//Groundwater and MNA

Hi Christine,
I hope this note finds you well. I'm researching groundwater contamination and Superfund sites listed on the National Priorities List. Your colleague Enesta Jones suggested I contact you.

I'd like to speak with you about obtaining an excel spreadsheet list of all current Department of Defense military bases where Monitored Natural Attenuation (MNA) was designated the remedy of choice for Groundwater Remedies Selected in Decision Documents. (An example of what I'm requesting is noted in this Superfund Remedy Report 15th edition -- as noted in Appendix G beginning on page 154 https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2017-09/documents/100000349.pdf[epa.gov]).

I'd appreciate a return call to further discuss my request.

Many thanks,
Angela M. Hill
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Message

From: Abboud, Michael [abboud.michael@epa.gov]
Sent: 10/18/2017 6:51:54 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]; Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: For Review: NC Health News (Catherine Clabby) re: Confidential Business Information and PFAS compounds (Deadline: 10/18)

Good to send.

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Wednesday, October 18, 2017 1:00 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: For Review: NC Health News (Catherine Clabby) re: Confidential Business Information and PFAS compounds (Deadline: 10/18)

Background: NC Health News reporter has returned with two questions. Response input from OCSPP and ORD. Catherine Clabby, Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Suggested Response:

1. You heard Dr. Strynar say that he took a more difficult path to characterize the unknown PFAS compounds in the Cape Fear River. That's because if he had obtained information that DuPont had submitted to EPA regarding what it was producing, he could have faced limitations on what he could have made public.

Is there any effort afoot within the agency to change that practice so that EPA scientists can obtain information filed with the agency when studying emerging contaminants without facing limitations on public disclosure about what chemicals are being released by manufacturing facilities? PFAS were of enough concern that EPA required sampling for them as part of the 3rd unregulated contaminant monitoring rule. (See list of compounds in screen grab below.)

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

2. Will EPA continue to support Dr. Strynar's efforts to look for and identify unregulated chemicals released by industrial sites during the Trump Administration?

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Perfluorinated Compounds: EPA Method 537		
perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS) 1763-23-1	0.04	Surfactant or emulsifier; used in fire-fighting foam, circuit board etching acids, alkaline cleaners, floor polish, and as a pesticide active ingredient for insect bait traps; U.S. manufacture of PFOS phased out in 2002; however, PFOS still generated incidentally
perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) 335-67-1	0.02	Perfluorinated aliphatic carboxylic acid; used for its emulsifier and surfactant properties in or as fluoropolymers (such as Teflon), fire-fighting foams, cleaners, cosmetics, greases and lubricants, paints, polishes, adhesives and photographic films
perfluorononanoic acid (PFNA) 375-95-1	0.02	Manmade chemical; used in products to make them stain, grease, heat and water resistant
perfluorohexanesulfonic acid (PFHxS) 355-46-4	0.03	Manmade chemical; used in products to make them stain, grease, heat and water resistant
perfluoroheptanoic acid (PFHpA) 375-85-9	0.01	Manmade chemical; used in products to make them stain, grease, heat and water resistant
perfluorobutanesulfonic acid (PFBS) 375-73-5	0.09	Manmade chemical; used in products to make them stain, grease, heat and water resistant

From: "Abboud, Michael" <abboud.michael@epa.gov>
Date: October 17, 2017 at 12:19:08 PM EDT
To: "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>, Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: For Review: NC Health News (Catherine Clabby) re: Chemours' investigation (Deadline: 10/18)

Good to send.

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Tuesday, October 17, 2017 12:12 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: For Review: NC Health News (Catherine Clabby) re: Chemours' investigation (Deadline: 10/18)

Background: NC Health News reporter is status checking on the Chemours investigation since she last checked in on Sept. 7. The investigation is ongoing. Response concurrence from GenX workgroup. Catherine Clabby, Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Suggested Response: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Catherine Clabby <Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)>
Date: October 17, 2017 at 9:38:53 AM EDT
To: "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Any word yet on Chemours' investigation

Hi Ernesta. Is there any news yet regarding the Chemours investigation we've corresponded about before? Is it finished? Likely to be finished soon?

If done, what are the results?

My deadline is Wednesday this week.

Best wishes,
Cathy Clabby

On Sep 7, 2017, at 7:18 PM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

> Hi Catherine, for attribution to an EPA spokesperson:
>
> The investigation is still ongoing. It's EPA policy not to discuss ongoing investigations.

> **From:** Catherine Clabby [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
> **Sent:** Thursday, September 07, 2017 3:17 PM
> **To:** Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** Re: Checking in for update re: Chemours PFAS compounds released in Cape Fear River
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> Thank you!
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> Tomorrow is my deadline. Sunday really but I hope you do not work in weekends!
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> Cathy
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> On Sep 7, 2017, at 3:14 PM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:
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> > Hi Catherine, I'll look into this. What's your deadline?
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> > On Sep 7, 2017, at 3:13 PM, Catherine Clabby <Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)> wrote:
> >
> > Hello Enesta.

You helped me earlier this summer regarding getting information about EPA's investigation regarding Chemours Co's compliance with a 2009 order EPA issued under the TSCA regarding the production of GenX. (Please see email thread below.) Thank you again for that!

I'm checking in to learn about the status of that investigation you described.

At what stage is the probe now?

Has EPA found evidence that Chemours did not comply with the order.

Does EPA expect to take any regulatory action against Chemours or DuPont on this matter?

I'm happy to talk by phone if that is best.

Best wishes,
Cathy Clabby
NC Health News

I'm just back from a summer trip. In case it is of use to you, here is our most recent story on the issues of GenX and wider PFAS and PFOA contamination in North Carolina.

https://www.northcarolinahealthnews.org/2017/08/17/genx-pollution-what-happened-when/

Catherine Clabby I Journalist
Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) @cathyclabby

On Jul 12, 2017, at 3:21 PM, Jones, Enesta
<Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Catherine,

Please attribute our response below to an EPA spokesperson:

EPA has initiated an investigation into Chemours's compliance with a 2009 order issued under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) for the production of GenX. This investigation will allow EPA to determine whether Chemours is in compliance with requirements of the order to control releases to the environment at the Fayetteville, N.C., facility. EPA is also reviewing the additional toxicity data submitted by the company, as required

under the consent order, and updating the risk assessment using the additional toxicity data specific to GenX. At the request of the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (NCDEQ), scientists in EPA's Office of Research and Development are conducting an independent laboratory analysis of four rounds of water samples being collected by NCDEQ at 13 locations in the Cape Fear River in June and July.

Under the terms of the Consent Order, for operations in the United States, DuPont (Chemours) is required to recover and capture (destroy) or recycle the chemical from all the process wastewater effluent streams and air emissions (point source and fugitive) at an overall efficiency rate of 99% (i.e., 99% of the chemical can't be released into the environment). Further, under the terms of the Consent Order, Dupont may only distribute the chemical to those customers, such as manufacturers and processers, that can also achieve this percentage of efficiency or destruction.

From: Catherine Clabby [mailto Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
Sent: Tuesday, July 11, 2017 9:27 PM
To: Lincoln, Larry <Lincoln.Larry@epa.gov>; Marraccini, Davina <Marraccini.Davina@epa.gov>
Subject: Reporter's query about GenX issue in Cape Fear

Hi Larry and Davina. I'm a reporter at *NC Health News*. Jamie Krietzer at NC DEQ said you would be the right pios at EPA to contact regarding questions regarding the ongoing inquiry to the discovery of PFOA replacement chemicals in the Cape Fear River downstream of the Chemours' Faetteville Works.

For a story I'm filing on Wednesday, here are my questions:

What is the scope of EPA's investigation into the discovery of the compounds in the Cape Fear?

If the EPA determines that Chemours plant did not comply with 2009 consent order with EPA that strictly limited release of PFOA replacement chemicals from its GenX operation in Fayetteville, what range of penalties could EPA impose on the company?

Chemours officials have told NC officials that the compounds did not come from its GenX operations. Instead they came from another site at Fayetteville Works, possibly starting back in the 1980s. Does that appear to be plausible?

Given the limits of release imposed by the consent order, did Chemours have any legal standing to release the PFOA replacements from anywhere at Fayetteville Works in the river?

How long as EPA been aware that that PFOA replacements were being released from the industrial property?

I'm happy to speak by phone if that is best for you.

Thank you in advance for your help.

Best wishes,
Cathy Clabby

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"The root of all joy is gratefulness."

Message

From: Abboud, Michael [abboud.michael@epa.gov]
Sent: 10/12/2017 6:26:28 PM
To: Lynn, Tricia [lynn.tricia@epa.gov]; Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: For Review: Health.com (Maria Masters) RE: Indoor Mold (10/6/17)

If she is fine being attributed than that works.

From: Lynn, Tricia
Sent: Thursday, October 12, 2017 2:25 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: For Review: Health.com (Maria Masters) RE: Indoor Mold (10/6/17)

Reporter is pinging and needs the info this afternoon…

From: Lynn, Tricia
Sent: Tuesday, October 10, 2017 2:41 PM
To: Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: For Review: Health.com (Maria Masters) RE: Indoor Mold (10/6/17)

Reporter is asking for a name for attribution. Laureen Burton, Staff Chemist/Toxicologist provided the information, and OAR is suggesting her. Does that work or do you have some other preference?

From: Abboud, Michael
Sent: Friday, October 06, 2017 2:02 PM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: For Review: Health.com (Maria Masters) RE: Indoor Mold (10/6/17)

Good to send.

From: Lynn, Tricia
Sent: Friday, October 6, 2017 1:00 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: For Review: Health.com (Maria Masters) RE: Indoor Mold (10/6/17)

Background:
Reporter is looking for the basics on indoor mold for a piece that discusses it in relation to health. While the Q&A/bullet format makes this appear lengthy, it gets to the reporter's need for specifics on several different fronts in a fairly succinct way. Reporter is Maria Masters Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) of Health.com.

Suggested Response:

> **1. What does mold smell like? (Online, this answer tends to be a bit circular--i.e., mold smells like mildew, or mold smells damp.) Is there another way to describe its smell?Can it smell sweet, or does it smell sour? Is there any example of what mold smells like? I.e., faintly of beer?And does black mold give off the same scent?**

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2. Is the smell of mold coming from the production of mVOCs? What causes the production of these mVOCs? (Does it come after/as the mold is breaking down organic matter, or is it just a natural byproduct--i.e., an odor that molds give off during their lifetime?)

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3. What does mold look like? (Do different species or genus have different colors, or is it hard to distinguish the type without a microscope?) In addition, is it true that molds can range in appearance, and if so, what are their colors and textures?

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4. The CDC and EPA says that mold testing isn't usually necessary. Is this correct, and if so, why is it unnecessary to do anything other than visually examine signs of mold?

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5. What if you believe that you have hidden sources of mold? What might cause a person to suspect hidden mold, and if so, what type of professional should you call, if you should call anyone?

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6. If a wall or floor is covered in mold, how would a person go about either cleaning that of finding a progressional who could do so? Are there any organizations that are certified to perform this work?

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On Tue, Oct 3, 2017 at 3:33 PM, Maria Masters <Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)> wrote:

Hi Tricia,

Here are some questions that I was hoping an expert could answer, below. If an expert from the EPA isn't available, and you had another recommendation as to who I could go to, that would be great. Some of this information is hard to find--especially regarding the mold testing. Thanks so much again. Best, Maria

1. What does mold smell like? (Online, this answer tends to be a bit circular--i.e., mold smells like mildew, or mold smells damp.) Is there another way to describe its smell?

- Can it smell sweet, or does it smell sour?
- Is there any example of what mold smells like? I.e., faintly of beer?
- And does black mold give off the same scent?

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6. If a wall or floor is covered in mold, how would a person go about either cleaning that of finding a progressional who could do so? Are there any organizations that are certified to perform this work?

On Tue, Oct 3, 2017 at 11:50 AM, Maria Masters Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) wrote:

Hi Tricia,

Thanks so much--an e-mail interview would also work for me, if that's possible. I'll send over a list of questions soon, though. Thank you again!

Maria

On Tue, Oct 3, 2017 at 11:49 AM, Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Maria—

Thanks so much for your inquiry. While I'm happy to check into the possibility of an interview, please note that they're not always available.

In either case, to begin I'll need a list of your specific questions. Can you please supply those at your earliest convenience?

Thanks so much,

Tricia

Tricia Lynn

Office of Public Affairs

U.S. EPA

Office: 202.564.2615

From: Maria Masters [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Tuesday, October 03, 2017 11:32 AM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Media inquiry - story about indoor mold

To the EPA Press Office,

My name is Maria Masters, and I'm a health journalist in the NYC area. I'm working on a story for Health.com about mold growth--specifically, what it looks like, smells like, how to test for it, etc. I was hoping to speak to an expert from the EPA for more specific questions about mold that grows indoors and how to get rid of it, and how it might impact a person's health.

My **deadline is Friday, October 6th, at 5:00 pm**.

If someone is available, I can call them directly or they can call me on my cell phone: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) I can work around their schedule to the best of my ability.

Thanks,

Maria

Message

From: StClair, Christie [StClair.Christie@epa.gov]
Sent: 10/30/2017 5:20:05 PM
To: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: FOR REVIEW: WSJ, re: CAFE standards

Background: Here is the simplest possible response for the reporter. If you prefer, we can do a deeper dive to help the reporter get a better understanding of how this reg works – just lmk if you'd like to see the extended version as well. Approved by John Millett. Reporter: Chester Dawson, WSJ, chester.dawson@wsj.com

Proposed Response

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From: Dawson, Chester [mailto:chester.dawson@wsj.com]
Sent: Monday, October 30, 2017 11:24 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: WSJ query on CAFE standards

Hi Robert:

Thanks very much for the detailed response to my queries.

I am still digesting your answers, but I do have one immediate follow-up to question No. 7, which is:

Are the footprint-based standards (or targets) assigned to OEMs by the EPA available for current and future years (i.e., beyond MY 2015)? Obviously, the actual compliance value is backward-looking, but I'd like to know that the OEMs are trying to achieve going forward.

Best regards,
Chester

On Fri, Oct 27, 2017 at 6:43 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Hullo Chester,

For attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please.

1.) Based on current sales of light trucks relative to sedans, will the EPA/NHTSA need to further adjust the average fuel economy/GHG standards estimate for 2025 below 50.8 mpg?

We have not revised that calculation.

EPA uses car/truck share projections from the Energy Information Administration. The 50.8 mpg projection for MY 2025 was based on a projected 52% car/48% truck share from EIA's Annual Energy Outlook 2015. Based on data from our 2016 Fuel Economy Trends report, the split for MY 2015 was 57% cars/43%

trucks. EIA and EPA classify small, 2-wheel drive, crossover vehicles as cars, since they are required to meet car standards for both GHG and fuel economy. That is why the car shares reported by EIA and EPA are higher than reported by most trade publications, which typically count all crossovers as trucks.

2.) Does the EPA believe the current "footprint"-based system for determined fuel economy standards has achieved the results intended by policymakers?

The standards are "footprint based" meaning that the manufacturers have to meet standards that are specific to the size (or footprint) of the cars or light trucks that they actually sell to consumers in a given year. As a result, all vehicle sizes and types have to improve over time to meet the standards. Also see answer to #3 below.

3.) Does the EPA have a comment on automakers move to "edge out" vehicle widths and wheelbases in order to increase their footprint and thereby lower their compliance hurdles?

We would point you to our Fuel Economy Trends report from last year here: https://www.epa.gov/fuel-economy-trends/trends-report

Highlight #4 provides information about trends regarding footprints of cars and trucks and shows that average footprint across the U.S. light-duty fleet has remained relatively stable over the past several years. Overall, between MY 2008 and MY 2015 the overall industry footprint for light duty vehicles increased by about 1%. A 1% increase in footprint would lead to a roughly 1% lower standard – equivalent to 2 grams of CO2/mi increase in emission or roughly 0.5 mpg decrease in fuel economy.

4.) Does the EPA believe that higher average fuel economy standards for passenger car sedans provides an incentive for automakers to abandon or reduce production of passenger car sedans in favor of vehicles classified as light trucks, including 4-wheel drive "crossover" vehicles?

EPA is not aware of data that supports the thesis that the standards are incentivizing car companies to reduce passenger car sedans (and car SUVs which must meet the same standards) to vehicles classified as light trucks.

Table 3.3 of our 2015 Fuel Economy Trends reportshows that the relative share of small 2-wheel drive SUVs (which must meet the car GHG standards), relative to small 4-wheel drive SUVs (which meet the truck GHG standards) has remained relatively stable over the 2000-2015 timeframe.

As noted abover: EIA and EPA classify small, 2-wheel drive, crossover SUVs as cars, since they are required to meet car standards for both GHG and fuel economy. That is why the car shares reported by EIA and EPA are higher than reported by most trade publications, which typically count all crossovers as trucks.

5.) Why are sedan-based 4-wheel drive unibody-frame crossovers classified as light trucks for the purpose of fuel economy/emissions standards?

Longstanding EPA and DOT/NHTSA regulations define truck utility to be 4-wheel drive vehicles with certain off-road design features.

6.) What is the publication date of the next EPA report on "Light-Duty Automotive Technology, Carbon Dioxide Emissions, and Fuel Economy Trends"?

We do not yet have a publication date for this report.

7.) What are the federal government's actual footprint targets by OEM (not in aggregate), and how close is each OEM to meeting its assigned federal footprint target, according to the latest annual data

available? Note: I am NOT looking for OEM footprints, which I know are listed on page 48 table 4.6 of the EPA's latest report on light vehicle fuel economy trends. Rather, I want to know the gap between actual footprints and assigned targets.

We assume that you are interested in the footprint-based GHG emissions targets by OEMs as there are no "assigned footprint targets" for OEMs. OEMs have complete flexibility to design and produce their vehicles, with whatever footprints they choose, and then EPA uses the footprints to determine what the OEM GHG standards are based on the footprint-GHG emissions curves. Again, the philosophy underlying the program is that manufacturers choose the types of vehicles that are produced, while the EPA GHG standards require that all vehicles, regardless of footprint/size, must improve over time.

EPA publishes detailed GHG performance and compliance information each year in our Manufacturer Performance Report. The latest report addresses model years 2012 through 2015. Here is the link:

https://www.epa.gov/regulations-emissions-vehicles-and-engines/greenhouse-gas-ghg-emission-standards-light-duty-vehicles

Table 3-35 on page 64 summarizes, for each manufacturer, its actual performance/compliance value in MY 2015 and compares it to its footprint-based standard (or target) for MY 2015. This data is also summarized in Highlight 2 on page iv of the Executive Summary. DOT/NHTSA follows this same process to determine the CAFÉ standards for each OEM.

Robert Daguillard
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On Oct 26, 2017, at 1:16 PM, Dawson, Chester <chester.dawson@wsj.com> wrote:

> Hi again Christie and Robert:
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> Not to confuse things, but I have **a question that supersedes all of my others**, and I'd appreciate an answer or link to wherever this information can be found publicly, namely:
>
> What are the federal government's actual footprint targets by OEM (not in aggregate), and how close is each OEM to meeting its assigned federal footprint target, according to the latest annual data available?
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> Note: I am NOT looking for OEM footprints, which I know are listed on page 48 table 4.6 of the EPA's latest report on light vehicle fuel economy trends. Rather, I want to know the gap between actual footprints and assigned targets.
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> Thanks & regards,
> Chester
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> On Thu, Oct 26, 2017 at 10:39 AM, StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov> wrote:
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> > Hi Chester,

I'm looking into this for you now. I'm out of the office tomorrow, so I'm cc'ing my wonderful colleague Robert to help if this carries into tomorrow.

Christie

From: Dawson, Chester [mailto:chester.dawson@wsj.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 25, 2017 5:03 PM
To: StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Subject: WSJ query on CAFE standards

Hi Christie:

Could you please provide a comment on the following questions, or ask one of your technical experts do to so?

1.) Based on current sales of light trucks relative to sedans, will the EPA/NHTSA need to further adjust the average fuel economy/GHG standards estimate for 2025 below 50.8 mpg?

2.) Does the EPA believe the current "footprint"-based system for determined fuel economy standards has achieved the results intended by policymakers?

3.) Does the EPA have a comment on automakers move to "edge out" vehicle widths and wheelbases in order to increase their footprint and thereby lower their compliance hurdles?

4.) Does the EPA believe that higher average fuel economy standards for passenger car sedans provides an incentive for automakers to abandon or reduce production of passenger car sedans in favor of vehicles classified as light trucks, including 4-wheel drive "crossover" vehicles?

5.) Why are sedan-based 4-wheel drive unibody-frame crossovers classified as light trucks for the purpose of fuel economy/emissions standards?

6.) What is the publication date of the next EPA report on "Light-Duty Automotive Technology, Carbon Dioxide Emissions, and Fuel Economy Trends"?

I would appreciate an answer to some or all of the queries by Friday, if possible.

Thanks & regards,

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From: Daguillard, Robert[/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=BBE9682B940C4F2C90732E4D37355DD4-DAGUILLARD,]
Sent: Wed 5/10/2017 6:12:15 PM (UTC)
Subject: LIZ/JP: advisory boards

All, for the third part of the inquiry, concerning Monsanto Litigation, we've been responding with the following statement since mid-March:

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Please advise if it's OK to keep using going forward.

From: Paul Basken [mailto:paul.basken@chronicle.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 2:07 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Freire, JP <Freire.JP@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: advisory boards

Thanks, Robert... That helps, though I had wanted to ask whether the EPA believes there should be any specific allocation, on either the Board of Scientific Counselors or the Science Advisory Board, for maximum or minimum percentages of folks from various sectors, such as academia, NGOs or industry.

Also, does the administration support the legislation pending in Congress -- either the HONEST Act or the EPA Science Advisory Board (SAB) Reform Act -- that would affect the EPA's approach to scientific review.

And finally, does the EPA have any reaction to the findings described at https://www.nytimes.com/2017/03/14/business/monsanto-roundup-safety-lawsuit.html concerning an apparent attempt to influence an EPA scientific review?

Thanks, Paul (202-466-1044)

From: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 1:56 PM
To: Paul Basken; Freire, JP
Cc: Press
Subject: RE: advisory boards

Good afternoon Paul,

For attribution to JP, as EPA spokesman, please:

"Advisory panels like BOSC play a critical role reviewing the agency's work. EPA received hundreds of nominations to serve on the board, and we want to ensure fair consideration of all the nominees – including those nominated who may have previously served on the panel – and carry out a competitive nomination process."

Regards, R.

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From: Paul Basken [mailto:paul.basken@chronicle.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 1:50 PM
To: Freire, JP <Freire.JP@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: advisory boards

Hi JP... Trying again... If you don't have any response on the matter, would it be possible please to write back and say so?
Thanks, Paul (Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

From: Paul Basken
Sent: Tuesday, May 9, 2017 1:42 PM
To: freire.john@epa.gov
Subject: Re: advisory boards

Hi JP... I'm trying again on this... Can you provide any help with it? Thanks, Paul (Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP))

From: Paul Basken
Sent: Monday, May 8, 2017 3:21 PM
To: freire.john@epa.gov
Subject: advisory boards

Dear JP,
I'm a reporter with the Chronicle of Higher Education, and I'm writing to seek your help with the matter of the EPA scientific advisory boards that are being discussed in various items of news coverage in the past day or two.
The articles seem to be suggesting that the EPA is dismissing academic members of at least one EPA advisory board, though the articles seem unclear on some of the key facts. We're hoping you can clarify what exactly is happening, what boards it involves, how many members are being affected, and what is the policy objective involved in these actions.
I can be reached by email or phone at 202-466-1044, and I'd be happy to hear from you at your convenience or set up a time for me to call that would fit your schedule.
Thanks, Paul Basken

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http://www.sciencemag.org/news/2017/05/epa-fires-members-science-advisory-board

Science
May. 6, 2017
EPA fires members of science advisory board

By Scott Waldmann, E&E News

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) fired members of a scientific advisory board yesterday.

The agency quietly forced out some members of the Board of Scientific Counselors just weeks after leaders told them their tenure would be renewed, said Robert Richardson, an ecological economist at Michigan State University and one of those dismissed.

The board is tasked with reviewing the work of EPA scientists and provides feedback that can be a powerful voice in shaping the agency's future research. The cuts "just came out of nowhere," Richardson said.

"The role that science has played in the agency in the past, this step is a significant step in a different direction," he said today. "Anecdotally, based on what we know about the administrator, I think it will be science that will appear to be friendlier to industry, the fossil fuel industry, the chemical industry, and I think it will be science that marginalizes climate change science."

EPA did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

There are two main science advisory boards at EPA, both of which can hold significant sway over policy and regulation. The Trump administration has proposed a major weakening of both.

Earlier this year, the White House proposed slashing funding for the Science Advisory Board by 84 percent. Such a cut would essentially cripple the work of the 47-member board of outside scholars.

House Republicans have passed legislation to reform the Science Advisory Board, a move critics say is designed to increase the voice of industry in rulemaking. That bill is still awaiting Senate approval.

Richardson said about developments, "This is a significant step toward the erosion of science, and I think that it is happening subtly throughout the agency with this very large proposed budget cut to the Science Advisory Board."

At an April meeting, the Board of Scientific Counselors discussed the importance of climate change research at EPA and "the growing need for information on, and understanding of, climate change and responses to its impacts," according to an agenda. They also talked about the importance of considering climate change as a stressor in areas of non-climate research.

The Trump administration has already sent signals that it does not value some areas of federal research, in particular climate science and work that could lead to further regulation of the fossil fuel and chemical industries.

The board had 18 members, including Richardson, who said he knew of at least one other member fired. Departures could reach a dozen, he said.

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The New York Times
MAY 7, 2017
E.P.A. Dismisses Members of Major Scientific Review Board
By CORAL DAVENPORT

WASHINGTON — The Environmental Protection Agency has dismissed at least five members of a major scientific review board, the latest signal of what critics call a campaign by the Trump administration to shrink the agency’s regulatory reach by reducing the role of academic research.

A spokesman for the E.P.A. administrator, Scott Pruitt, said he would consider replacing the

academic scientists with representatives from industries whose pollution the agency is supposed to regulate, as part of the wide net it plans to cast. "The administrator believes we should have people on this board who understand the impact of regulations on the regulated community," said the spokesman, J.P. Freire.

The dismissals on Friday came about six weeks after the House passed a bill aimed at changing the composition of another E.P.A. scientific review board to include more representation from the corporate world.

President Trump has directed Mr. Pruitt to radically remake the E.P.A., pushing for deep cuts in its budget — including a 40 percent reduction for its main scientific branch — and instructing him to roll back major Obama-era regulations on climate change and clean water protection. In recent weeks, the agency has removed some scientific data on climate change from its websites, and Mr. Pruitt has publicly questioned the established science of human-caused climate change.

In his first outings as E.P.A. administrator, Mr. Pruitt has made a point of visiting coal mines and pledging that his agency will seek to restore that industry, even though many members of both of the E.P.A.'s scientific advisory boards have historically recommended stringent constraints on coal pollution to combat climate change.

Mr. Freire said the agency wanted "to take as inclusive an approach to regulation as possible."

"We want to expand the pool of applicants" for the scientific board, he said, "to as broad a range as possible, to include universities that aren't typically represented and issues that aren't typically represented."

Some who opposed the dismissals denounced them as part of a broader push by the E.P.A. to downgrade science and elevate business interests.

"This is completely part of a multifaceted effort to get science out of the way of a deregulation agenda," said Ken Kimmell, the president of the Union of Concerned Scientists. "What seems to be premature removals of members of this Board of Science Counselors when the board has come out in favor of the E.P.A. strengthening its climate science, plus the severe cuts to research and development — you have to see all these things as interconnected."

The scientists dismissed from the 18-member Board of Scientific Counselors received emails from an agency official informing them that their three-year terms had expired and would not be renewed. That was contrary, the scientists said, to what they had been told by officials at the agency in January, just before Mr. Trump's inauguration.

"Most of us on the council are academic people," said Ponisseril Somasundaran, a chemist at Columbia University who focuses on managing hazardous waste. "I think they want to bring in business and industry people."

Courtney Flint, a professor of natural resource sociology at Utah State University who has served on the board since 2014, said she was surprised by the dismissal.

"I believe this is political," said Dr. Flint, whose research focuses on how communities respond to major disruptions in the environment, such as exposure to toxic pollution, forest fires and climate change. "It's unexpected. It's a red flag."

Another of the dismissed scientists made his grievances public. "Today, I was Trumped," Robert Richardson, an environmental economist at Michigan State University, wrote on Twitter. "I have had the pleasure of serving on the EPA Board of Scientific Counselors, and my appointment was terminated today."

The board is charged with reviewing and evaluating the research conducted by the agency's scientists. Those studies are used by government regulators to draft rules and restrictions on everything from hazardous waste dumped in water to the emissions of carbon dioxide that contribute to climate change.

Members of the board say they have reviewed the E.P.A.'s scientific research on the public health impact of leaking underground fuel tanks, the toxicity of the chemicals used to clean up oil spills, and the effects of the spread of bark beetles caused by a warming climate.

A larger, corresponding panel, the 47-member Science Advisory Board, advises the agency on what areas it should conduct research in and evaluates the scientific integrity of some of its regulations.

Both boards, which until now have been composed almost entirely of academic research scientists, have long been targets of political attacks. Congressional Republicans and industry groups have sought to either change their composition or weaken their influence on the environmental regulatory process.

Representative Lamar Smith, the Texas Republican who is the chairman of the House Committee on Science, Space and Technology, wrote the House-passed bill intended to restock the Science Advisory Board with more members from the business world.

"In recent years, S.A.B. experts have become nothing more than rubber stamps who approve all of the E.P.A.'s regulations," Mr. Smith said at a House hearing in February. "The E.P.A. routinely stacks this board with friendly scientists who receive millions of dollars in grants from the federal government. The conflict of interest here is clear."

As a witness, Mr. Smith brought in Kimberly White, senior director of chemical products and technology at the American Chemistry Council, which lobbies for chemical corporations and, like other industry groups, has pushed for more representation on the E.P.A.'s science boards.

"We have also seen situations where peer reviewers have suggested discounting a study solely based on the funding source, without any considerations being given to the quality of the study," Ms. White said. "Also, E.P.A. staff often comment throughout peer review meetings, essentially participating as peers, while industry experts are typically excluded from the dialogue."

Several members of the Scientific Advisory Board contacted by The New York Times said that they had not received dismissal notices, but that they were aware their board was a political target.

"I see the dismissal of the scientists from the Board of Scientific Counselors as a test balloon," said Joseph Arvai, an environmental scientist at the University of Michigan who is on the Scientific Advisory Board. "This is clearly very political, and we should be very concerned if it goes further."

Message

From: Bowman, Liz [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=C3D4D94D3E4B4B1F80904056703EBC80-BOWMAN, ELI]
Sent: 4/23/2018 5:51:07 PM
To: Jackson, Ryan [jackson.ryan@epa.gov]
CC: Woods, Clint [woods.clint@epa.gov]; Gordon, Stephen [gordon.stephen@epa.gov]; Gunasekara, Mandy [Gunasekara.Mandy@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Next Week - Rollout on Ozone Designations & NAAQS Next Steps

Let us know what works for you

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 23, 2018, at 1:34 PM, Jackson, Ryan <jackson.ryan@epa.gov> wrote:

Can we get together to talk about how to do this best?

From: Woods, Clint
Sent: Monday, April 23, 2018 12:52 PM
To: Jackson, Ryan <jackson.ryan@epa.gov>; Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>; Gordon, Stephen <gordon.stephen@epa.gov>
Cc: Gunasekara, Mandy <Gunasekara.Mandy@epa.gov>
Subject: Next Week - Rollout on Ozone Designations & NAAQS Next Steps

All,

Just wanted to flag for media/event purposes that the ozone designations and NAAQS memo rollout will be ready to take place any time on Tuesday, May 1. We will not have the various letters/TSDs done until later in the day on Monday. Suggest **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**
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Thanks!

Clint Woods
Deputy Assistant Administrator
Office of Air and Radiation, U.S. EPA
202.564.6562

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Sent: 3/27/2018 9:35:58 PM
To: Lyons, Troy [lyons.troy@epa.gov]; Palich, Christian [palich.christian@epa.gov]
Subject: Andrew Wheeler Strategy.docx
Attachments: Andrew Wheeler Strategy.docx

A few thoughts in yellow; take a look and then feel free to send to Ryan.

To: Amy Harder[amy@axios.com]
Cc: Jahan Wilcox (wilcox.jahan@epa.gov)[wilcox.jahan@epa.gov]
From: Bowman, Liz[/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=C3D4D94D3E4B4B1F80904056703EBC80-BOWMAN, ELI]
Sent: Mon 12/18/2017 5:49:38 PM (UTC)
Subject: CPP -- ANPRM
FRN State GHG Guidelines 2060-AT67 ANPRM_20171214_signature.docx

Attached; you can release this at 1:45 p.m. as an "obtained copy" – not for attribution.

Liz Bowman
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
Office: 202-564-3293

To: Wagner, Kenneth[wagner.kenneth@epa.gov]
From: Bowman, Liz[/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=C3D4D94D3E4B4B1F80904056703EBC80-BOWMAN, ELI]
Sent: Thur 1/18/2018 1:16:18 AM (UTC)
Subject: Fwd: Oil and Natural Gas Roundtable: Participant Information
Draft Roundtable Agenda.pdf
ATT00001.htm
Draft Roundtable Attendee List (2017-01-17).pdf
ATT00002.htm
Roundtable Background Materials.docx
ATT00003.htm

Do you need a press person for this? **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Grantham, Nancy" <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Date: January 17, 2018 at 6:37:51 PM EST
To: "Bowman, Liz" <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>, "Block, Molly" <block.molly@epa.gov>, "Konkus, John" <konkus.john@epa.gov>, "Abboud, Michael" <abboud.michael@epa.gov>, "Hewitt, James" <hewitt.james@epa.gov>, "Wilcox, Jahan" <wilcox.jahan@epa.gov>
Cc: "Grantham, Nancy" <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Oil and Natural Gas Roundtable: Participant Information

All,

This is happening on January 23 and 24 in the EPA Denver office. Molly is working on a press release that will be issued after the roundtable concludes.

EPA participants include Ken Wagner, Patrick Traylor, Doug Benevento, Anne Isad, and Daisy Letendre.

Once we have a draft release, we will work on social media (ECOS and IOGCC will also do social media), and Region 8 has agreed to take real time photos that can accompany social media posts.

The roundtable is closed press, however region 8 has asked how we want to handle media inquiries for interviews at the conclusion of the roundtable on day 1 and day 2, so please let us know your thoughts.

Thanks ng

Nancy Grantham
Office of Public Affairs
US Environmental Protection Agency
202-564-6879 (desk)
Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) (mobile)

From: Kenney, James
Sent: Wednesday, January 17, 2018 8:39 AM
To: Richardson, RobinH <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>; Bowles, Jack <Bowles.Jack@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Oil and Natural Gas Roundtable: Participant Information
Importance: High

Participant information was sent to everyone (external and internal). The attached attendee list includes everyone who was sent the email. I'm moving forward on sending out the internal email with deliberative information.

From: Kenney, James
Sent: Wednesday, January 17, 2018 6:35 AM
To: Kenney, James <Kenney.James@epa.gov>
Subject: Oil and Natural Gas Roundtable: Participant Information
Importance: High

Hello Oil and Natural Gas Roundtable Participants –

Thank you for agreeing to participate in the oil and natural gas roundtable, hosted by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Environmental Council of the States (ECOS), and the Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission (IOGCC), on January 23 and 24, 2018 in Denver, Colorado. Attached to this email, please find the following:

- Roundtable Background Materials – A five-page document that provides important information on the roundtable, logistics, participant preparation, and more. Please note that we are asking for your cooperation in providing the pre-roundtable worksheet to the facilitator by **Friday, January 19, 2018** so we can finalize the agenda and jump-start our discussions.

- Draft Roundtable Agenda – A two-page draft agenda. A final agenda will be provided at the roundtable.

- Draft Roundtable Attendees List – For your reference, attached please find a list of roundtable participants. Please email me if you notice an error or would like to update your information. If your ability to participate in the roundtable changes at any point, please contact me as I have a waiting list of prospective participants.

Finally, in the event the current continuing resolution expires on Friday without a resolution and there is a lapse of federal funding, I will contact you by email with further information. That said, I look forward to seeing you in Denver next week and appreciate your willingness to make this roundtable a success!

Sincerely,
Jim Kenney
--
James C. Kenney
Senior Policy Advisor
Unconventional Oil and Gas
US EPA

Desk/Mobile: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Email: kenney.james@epa.gov

Please note: *I am geographically located in Albuquerque, New Mexico (Mountain Time Zone).*
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To: Greenwalt, Sarah[greenwalt.sarah@epa.gov]
From: Bowman, Liz[/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=C3D4D94D3E4B4B1F80904056703EBC80-BOWMAN, ELI]
Sent: Tue 11/21/2017 10:26:07 PM (UTC)
Subject: FW: Liz .. for review -- FW: Yukon River ARNI letter -- E&E News inquiry

Can we please discuss this? It's past deadline.

From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Tuesday, November 21, 2017 4:05 PM
To: Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Liz .. for review -- FW: Yukon River ARNI letter -- E&E News inquiry

Region says the reporter is pinging on this. Thoughts? thanks ng

Nancy Grantham
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From: Bowman, Liz
Sent: Monday, November 20, 2017 6:39 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Liz .. for review -- FW: Yukon River ARNI letter -- E&E News inquiry

What is the deadline on this?

From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Monday, November 20, 2017 6:04 PM
To: Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>
Subject: Liz .. for review -- FW: Yukon River ARNI letter -- E&E News inquiry

Liz,

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See the Alaska issue below and the request from E and E – OW has reviewed the response - -which is straightforward and on background.

Thanks ng

Nancy Grantham
Office of Public Affairs
US Environmental Protection Agency
202-564-6879 (desk)
Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) **(mobile)**

From: Skadowski, Suzanne
Sent: Monday, November 20, 2017 3:55 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>
Cc: Holsman, Marianne <Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Yukon River ARNI letter -- E&E News inquiry

Hi Nancy,

Media inquiry and issues summary is attached for Liz.

Thanks,
Suzanne

MEDIA INQUIRY

PRESS OFFICER: Suzanne Skadowski, 206-553-2160

DATE RECEIVED: 11/6

OUTLET: E&E News

REPORTER: Ariel Wittenberg, Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) awittenberg@eenews.net

TOPIC: EPA review of Alaska Gasline Development Corp. (AGDC), Clean Water Act Section 404 permit applications to Corps of Engineers Alaska District, for Alaska Standalone Pipeline (ASAP) and Alaska Liquid Natural Gas (LNG) projects. EPA's designation of Yukon River basin as "Aquatic Resource of National Importance (ARNI)." E&E News and Alaska media have been tracking this story: Alaska Journal: EPA designation of Yukon River complicates gasline plans, Petroleum News: AGDC aims at year end. Note: Alaska Commerce Department Commissioner Chris Hladick was appointed to be EPA Region 10 Regional Administrator, starting Dec. 4. Hladick previously served on the AGDC board of directors.

REPORTER'S DEADLINE: 11/13 – however reporter waiting

QUESTIONS: See below. Reporter has copy of R10 Aug. 2017 CWA 404q 3(a) ARNI letter re ASAP and 1992 EPA-Corps CWA 404q MOU. Reporter also submitted FOIA re EPA communications re 3(a) letter.

PROPOSED ACTION/OUTCOME Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

STATUS: OPEN

E&E News Q #1: How common are ARNI letters?

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E&E News Q #2: What other projects in Alaska has EPA sent ARNI letters on since 2008?

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Message

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Sent: 10/9/2017 5:00:08 PM
To: Dewey, Amy [Dewey.Amy@epa.gov]
CC: Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]; Wilcox, Jahan [wilcox.jahan@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: CPP announcement?
Attachments: 2017-10-09 UPDATED DRAFT CPP Background and TPs.docx

Yes, but please use this version. Thank you!

From: Dewey, Amy
Sent: Monday, October 9, 2017 12:49 PM
To: Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>
Cc: Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>; Wilcox, Jahan <wilcox.jahan@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: CPP announcement?

Liz, can I get this to contacts at API, Nat. Coal Assn. and NAM? Amy

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 9, 2017, at 12:30 PM, Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov> wrote:

> Attached are the most recent version of the talkers – please make sure that any who gets these keeps them close hold and don't forward them around…but, the goal is to make this announcement tomorrow morning, and have any supporting statements come tomorrow or Wednesday – especially local op-eds, etc.

> **From:** Dewey, Amy
> **Sent:** Monday, October 9, 2017 12:29 PM
> **To:** Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>; Wilcox, Jahan <wilcox.jahan@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** Re: CPP announcement?
>
> OK thanks and I will start pulling down statements for the tracker, we will get lots of positive statements on this! Amy
>
> Sent from my iPhone
>
> On Oct 9, 2017, at 11:43 AM, Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov> wrote:
>
>> Amy, I can send some talkers shortly – I just incorporated OGC edits and need them to sign off on the final. Thanks for all your help
>
> ---
>
> **From:** Dewey, Amy
> **Sent:** Monday, October 9, 2017 11:36 AM
> **To:** Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>;

Wilcox, Jahan <wilcox.jahan@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: CPP announcement?

Hi, do you all have anything I can get out to my stakeholders today? Amy

Sent from my iPhone

> Sent from my iPhone
> Please excuse any tyops
>
> On Oct 9, 2017, at 11:24 AM, Dewey, Amy <Dewey.Amy@epa.gov> wrote:

> > On Oct 9, 2017, at 10:22 AM, Michael Tadeo <TadeoM@api.org> wrote:
> >
> > Hi Amy,
> >
> > Hope you had a great weekend.
> >
> > Is the announcement on CPP coming today?
> >
> > I saw a report on Fox News but haven't heard anything official.
> >
> > Thanks Amy.
> >
> > Mike Tadeo
> >
> > **Michael Tadeo**
> > Spokesman
> > American Petroleum Institute
> > 1220 L Street NW, Washington, DC 20005
> > 202-682-8540 Phone
> > Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) Cell
> > 202-682-8114 Media Line
> > TadeoM@api.org
> > Twitter: @mtadeo
> > <image001.png>

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Message

From: Bowman, Liz [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=C3D4D94D3E4B4B1F80904056703EBC80-BOWMAN, ELI]
Sent: 10/31/2017 6:45:14 PM
To: Abboud, Michael [abboud.michael@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: FOR REVIEW: CT. Investigative Health TEam - chlorpyrifos use in New England/CT - DDL Flex.
Attachments: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

I think it's important Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
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From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Tuesday, October 31, 2017 2:22 PM
To: Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: FOR REVIEW: CT. Investigative Health TEam - chlorpyrifos use in New England/CT - DDL Flex.

Holding.

From: Abboud, Michael
Sent: Tuesday, October 31, 2017 2:21 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: FOR REVIEW: CT. Investigative Health TEam - chlorpyrifos use in New England/CT - DDL Flex.

Hold on responding because we have more information to give him.

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 31, 2017, at 1:47 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

> Thanks, Michael. The reporter is asking for a name for attribution. Should we oblige?
>
> **From:** Abboud, Michael
> **Sent:** Tuesday, October 31, 2017 12:24 PM
> **To:** Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** RE: FOR REVIEW: CT. Investigative Health TEam - chlorpyrifos use in New England/CT - DDL Flex.
>
> Good to send.
>
> **From:** Daguillard, Robert
> **Sent:** Tuesday, October 31, 2017 12:00 PM
> **To:** Press <Press@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** FOR REVIEW: CT. Investigative Health TEam - chlorpyrifos use in New England/CT - DDL Flex.

BACKGROUND

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) Garry Stoller – Ct. Investigative Health Team – DDL Flexible

RESPONSE

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From: Deegan, Dave
Sent: Wednesday, October 25, 2017 10:09 AM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>; regionalpress <regionalpress@epa.gov>
Cc: Deegan, Dave <Deegan.Dave@epa.gov>; Bender, Emily <Bender.Emily@epa.gov>; Gutro, Doug <Gutro.Doug@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Media Question re. chlorpyrifos use in New England/CT

Hi All, Please see below inquiry. I will check but am not aware that our office has this kind of pesticide use data available.

Thanks!
Dave

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Dave Deegan
U.S. EPA, New England Regional Office
Media Relations | Social Media | Web Content
phone: 617.918.1017 | mobile: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
email: *deegan.dave@epa.gov*

From: Gary Stoller [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Wednesday, October 25, 2017 9:59 AM
To: Szaro, Deb <Szaro.Deb@epa.gov>
Subject: Media Question

Hi Deborah: I am a journalist researching chlorpyrifos for the Connecticut Health Investigative Team, which publishes health-related info for consumers.

USGS data shows that use of chlorpryifos by farmers has declined in recent years. I

am trying to determine why its use has declined among Connecticut and New England farmers.

Thank you.

Gary Stoller
Journalist
Connecticut Health Investigative Team
15 Old Purdy Station
Newtown, CT 06470
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Message

From: Bowman, Liz [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=C3D4D94D3E4B4B1F80904056703EBC80-BOWMAN, ELI]
Sent: 10/16/2017 11:41:10 PM
To: Mears, Mary [Mears.Mary@epa.gov]
CC: Harris-Bishop, Rusty [Harris-Bishop.Rusty@epa.gov]; Region2 RRC-InformationOfficer [Region2_RRC-InformationOfficer@epa.gov]; Kluesner, Dave [kluesner.dave@epa.gov]; Rodriguez, Elias [Rodriguez.Elias@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Puerto Rico PIO Report for 10/16

Thank you

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 16, 2017, at 7:27 PM, Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov> wrote:

> Thank you rusty. I am sharing with Liz and Nancy for their awareness.
>
> Sent from my iPhone
>
> On Oct 16, 2017, at 6:33 PM, Harris-Bishop, Rusty <Harris-Bishop.Rusty@epa.gov> wrote:
>
>> Hi everyone: I'm submitting this for Elias since he's not back to the JFO yet. We spoke and he gave us the download on today's events.
>>
>> - NBC Universal interview with Gabe Guiterrez was done at the hotel since the media event was canceled. Topics included:
>>   - Focus on Magauyo wells (didn't want to repeat CNN focus on Santa Rosa well)
>>   - Problems wells at Dorado
>>   - Need for drinking water in Puerto Rico
>>   - Safety concerns for using Magauyo Well 4
>>   - What are the risks
>>   - Status of Superfund site. Background given on RI/FS process, focus on scope and extent of contamination
>>   - Interview went well
>> - Rain was persistent all day, horizontal at times
>> - Met with Toa Baja mayor Bernardo Marquez, showed RA three locations:
>>   - Debris collection
>>   - Segregation area selected for separating wastes
>>   - Spontaneous open dump area
>> - After meeting with Mayor Marquez, was interviewed by Louann Melendez of *Metro PR*. RA spoke of EPA's mission: debris management, waste and wastewater assessments, and facility assessments
>> - Elias said so much debris is all around, whenever rain is heavy, streets become like lakes, making driving hazardous
>>
>> I hope I captured the day. Tomorrow will be a full day with RA/DRA/CEPD and various Puerto Rico officials including the governor.
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>> ~

<!--[if !vml]--><image003.jpg><!--[endif]-->**Rusty Harris-Bishop** • Communications Liaison •
Project Manager • US Environmental Protection Agency •
75 Hawthorne Street • San Francisco, CA • 94105 • 415.972.3140 • Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) (c)

Message

From: Bowman, Liz [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=C3D4D94D3E4B4B1F80904056703EBC80-BOWMAN, ELI]
Sent: 10/10/2017 8:54:58 PM
To: Ferguson, Lincoln [ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov]; Wilcox, Jahan [wilcox.jahan@epa.gov]
CC: Abboud, Michael [abboud.michael@epa.gov]; Hewitt, James [hewitt.james@epa.gov]
Subject: RE:

You should have the basic response, but here is the details – please review it closely and then send it along…thank you!

Quote: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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Additional Background (not for attribution):

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From: "Meyer, Ali" <Ali.Meyer@KFOR.com>
Date: October 9, 2017 at 2:06:33 PM EST
To: "ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov" <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>

Hi Lincoln! I'm doing a special report on Superfund sites in Oklahoma. I have one line mentioning Pruitt.

"THE WHITE HOUSE HAS SUGGESTED DRASTIC CUTS TO EPA FUNDING. SO FAR, ADMINISTRATOR SCOTT PRUITT HAS BEEN SUPPORTIVE OF THE SUPERFUND PROGRAM"

Are you the best person to decide if your office would like to provide a statement??

Thanks!

Sent from my little iPhone

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Yes, do that and work with Lincoln to book him while SP is in Okla.

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Let's get a list of the reporters we have confirmed to come to the 'pen and pad' tomorrow – we can send the print reporters the embargoed report this evening, and the background Q&A to the radio/TV guys. James, one or two radio hits are good, we don't need a lot.

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To: Hewitt, James <hewitt.james@epa.gov>
Cc: Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>; Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>; Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>; Schwab, Justin <schwab.justin@epa.gov>; Fotouhi, David <fotouhi.david@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>; Wilcox, Jahan <wilcox.jahan@epa.gov>; Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>
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All,

Please see a draft for today's press release below and double check the order of quotes.

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Jame

From: EPA Press Office [mailto:press=epa.gov@cmail19.com] **On Behalf Of** EPA Press Office
Sent: Monday, July 24, 2017 10:50 AM
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From: Abboud, Michael
Sent: Tuesday, September 12, 2017 9:32 AM
To: Hewitt, James <hewitt.james@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>; Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>; Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>; Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>; Wilcox, Jahan <wilcox.jahan@epa.gov>
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Sent: 8/4/2017 4:09:43 PM
To: Ferguson, Lincoln [ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Congratulations from Politico Magazine

Did you talk to him about not responding to any of the questions?

From: Ferguson, Lincoln
Sent: Friday, August 4, 2017 12:04 PM
To: Taylor Gee <tgee@politico.com>
Cc: Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>; Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>; Wilcox, Jahan <wilcox.jahan@epa.gov>
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Hey Taylor -

We're very sorry for the late notice and appreciate you waiting for us. We are going to pass on the Q&A portion, but we did provide the extensive interview and photo shoot which will hopefully contribute to what you all are working on.

Let us know if there is anything else you need.

Thanks,
Lincoln

Sent from my iPad

On Aug 4, 2017, at 10:00 AM, Taylor Gee <tgee@politico.com> wrote:

> Hi there – just want to make sure these answers are en route, and I didn't miss them. I'm starting to compile the different attributable sections now, and I'll keep an eye on my inbox for Administrator Pruitt's responses.
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> **From:** Graham, Amy [mailto:graham.amy@epa.gov]
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To: Taylor Gee
Cc: Bowman, Liz; Wilcox, Jahan; Ferguson, Lincoln
Subject: RE: Congratulations from Politico Magazine

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From: Taylor Gee [mailto:tgee@politico.com]
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Cc: Bowman, Liz; Wilcox, Jahan; Ferguson, Lincoln
Subject: RE: Congratulations from Politico Magazine

Hi Taylor – I will check with our team to see where we are at on the responses. Thanks for following up.

From: Taylor Gee [mailto:tgee@politico.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 1, 2017 11:21 AM
To: Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>
Cc: Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>; Wilcox, Jahan <wilcox.jahan@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Congratulations from Politico Magazine

Hi Amy,

Thanks again for organizing the photoshoot with Administrator Pruitt. I just glanced at the photos, and I think they look great!

I was wondering if your team had the chance to coordinate responses to the survey we sent you? We're past the deadline we had set, but the administrator's participation is particularly important to us. If you could get us the responses by Thursday, it wouldn't be too late.

As a reminder, the survey is anonymous, except for an attributable section at the end which would accompany the bio we've written, and the survey can be completed through the below link or by sending back the filled-out word document.

https://goo.gl/forms/efS0X2EY84ZIZDZ33

Thanks!
Taylor Gee
Assistant Editor
POLITICO Magazine

From: Bowman, Liz
Sent: Monday, July 10, 2017 5:36 PM
To: Carrie Budoff Brown <carrie@politico.com>
Cc: Taylor Gee <tgee@politico.com>; Janet Michaud <jmichaud@politico.com>; Katie Ellsworth <kellsworth@politico.com>; Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Congratulations from Politico Magazine

Thanks, Carrie. Amy Graham, our head of media relations is setting up an interview and photo, and coordinating sending you responses to the questionnaire.

From: Carrie Budoff Brown [mailto:carrie@politico.com]
Sent: Friday, July 7, 2017 3:38 PM
To: Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>
Cc: Taylor Gee <tgee@politico.com>; Janet Michaud <jmichaud@politico.com>; Katie Ellsworth <kellsworth@politico.com>
Subject: Congratulations from Politico Magazine

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Congratulations again.

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Message

From: Bowman, Liz [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=C3D4D94D3E4B4B1F80904056703EBC80-BOWMAN, ELI]
Sent: 7/10/2017 4:48:14 PM
To: Graham, Amy [graham.amy@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Budget statement

I think it's fine, but a little long. It's fine to send to this student reporter?

From: Graham, Amy
Sent: Monday, July 10, 2017 11:35 AM
To: Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>
Subject: Budget statement

Liz - Is this still the budget statement that we should be using? Wasn't sure if there was something more updated since the hearings?

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Monday, July 10, 2017 11:33 AM
To: Autumn Spanne <Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Press query: Navajo uranium remediation and FY18 budget impacts

Dear Autumn, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please.

The budget blueprint reflects the President's priorities of preserving clean air and water as well as to ease the burden of costly regulations to industry. Administrator Pruitt is committed to leading the EPA in a more effective, more focused, less costly way as we partner with states to fulfill the agency's core mission.

Thanks, R.

From: Autumn Spanne [mailto Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
Sent: Friday, July 07, 2017 2:46 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Press query: Navajo uranium remediation and FY18 budget impacts

Thanks, Robert.

On Fri, Jul 7, 2017 at 2:22 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

> Got it. Let me check.
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> **From:** Autumn Spanne [mailto Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
> **Sent:** Friday, July 07, 2017 2:21 PM

To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Press query: Navajo uranium remediation and FY18 budget impacts

Hi Robert,

Thanks for getting back to me. I guess I'd put the question back to you: when do you think it's feasible to get answers to the questions? I need to file the story with my editor Monday, but if I know something is coming soon thereafter, I might be able to beg a bit more time. Let me know what you think - and thanks!

Best,

Autumn

On Fri, Jul 7, 2017 at 2:03 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Good afternoon (morning to you) Autumn,

Thanks for your questions. Is Monday your hard deadline? When are you planning to publish your story?

Regards, R.

From: Autumn Spanne [mailto: **Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)**
Sent: Friday, July 07, 2017 10:45 AM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Press query: Navajo uranium remediation and FY18 budget impacts

Good morning,

I sent the below message to Tricia Lynn, but was re-directed to this address. Thanks for helping connect me with the appropriate people to answer the below questions:

I'm a journalist working on a story for the Center for Investigative Reporting about the uranium remediation program on the Navajo Nation, and how it would be affected by the proposed cuts to EPA's budgets and possible changes to the Superfund program and possibly other EPA programs.

This year, I've spent time visiting and interviewing Navajo residents who have lived directly next to open air waste sites and abandoned mines for years without a remedy for radiation and the toxic chemicals/heavy metals that contaminate their air and water. They now express concern and confusion over the FY2018 EPA budget cuts and its potential implications for continued progress on uranium waste remediation.

Can you direct me to the person or persons most appropriate to respond to the (below) questions? Most pertain to the FY18 budget but also relate to specific programs - some of which are your areas, some of which aren't, so I'm not sure how best to direct them.

My deadline is end of Monday. Thanks very much!

Best wishes,

Autumn Spanne

Independent Journalist/Ted Scripps Fellow

Center for Environmental Journalism

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QUESTIONS:

-Given the enormous scope and cost of the uranium cleanup on Navajo Nation, and given Administrator Pruitt's intention to more directly oversee the most expensive, complex Superfund sites, are there changes planned either in resource levels (funding, staffing, etc.) or management of these sites on Navajo Nation? Please be as specific as possible in detailing any recent or planned changes.

-If Superfund cleanup processes are to be sped up and streamlined, as Administrator Pruitt has stated recently, how will US EPA ensure, in the particularly complex case of Navajo Nation uranium waste, that the remedies are sufficient to protect human health amid 30% cuts to the program's overall budget?

- With the significant cuts specifically to the Superfund enforcement budget, how can EPA ensure continued vigorous pursuit of responsible parties? How can EPA ensure that cleanup will be thorough with diminished funding, and avoid resorting to more cosmetic/superficial changes that fail to permanently and completely remove contamination?

- How would EPA grants funding tribal environmental protection offices and staff be affected by the proposed cuts, and how would US EPA ensure that this did not impede progress on uranium remediation projects, or opportunities for community participation/input?

- The following two questions pertain specifically to the linked news:

https://insideepa.com/daily-news/epa-proposal-cut-radiation-program-may-affect-cleanups-standards

Would the elimination of the radiation protection program in the EPA's air office impact uranium cleanup sites on Navajo Nation? If so, how will EPA ensure that the health of Navajo residents living in close proximity to waste sites with significantly elevated radiation levels is not additionally compromised by the elimination of this program?

- Finally, will the policy enacted last year directing EPA to consider Traditional Ecological Knowledge in various programs conducting cleanup in coordination with tribes be preserved, or is this also vulnerable to budget cuts and streamlining strategies?

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Sent: 7/7/2017 8:08:40 PM
To: Lincoln Ferguson (ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov) [ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Congratulations from Politico Magazine
Attachments: Politico50Survey.docx

Can you work on this?

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Sent: 5/22/2017 9:19:19 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
CC: Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]; Lynn, Tricia [lynn.tricia@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: OPEN INQUIRIES FOR REVIEW 5/22

Small edits:

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2017 3:54 PM
To: Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>
Cc: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>; Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>; Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: LIZ: OPEN INQUIRIES FOR REVIEW 5/22

Reporter has returned for a quick fact check after talking to Region 5. OK?

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette, DEADLINE: 5/22

Follow-up: Thanks for this. So just to clarify, Arkansas is one of only two states without a plan?

Suggested Response: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Enesta Jones
U.S. EPA
Office of Media Relations
Office: 202.564.7873
Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

"The root of all joy is gratefulness."

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Bowman, Liz" <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>
Date: May 16, 2017 at 10:27:33 AM EDT
To: "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Cc: "Valentine, Julia" <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>, "Lynn, Tricia" <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: OPEN INQUIRIES FOR REVIEW 5/15 (evening)

Awesome, thank you.

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Tuesday, May 16, 2017 8:48 AM
To: Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>
Cc: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>; Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>; Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: LIZ: OPEN INQUIRIES FOR REVIEW 5/15 (evening)

How's this revision?

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette, DEADLINE: 5/15 (Enesta Jones for Tricia Lynn)

Background: Region 6 referred the reporter to HQ. Antidegradation implementation methods are a plan or a set of procedures that are created and utilized by a state, tribe, or territory to implement their antidegradation policy. The reporter is asking which states have antidegradation implementation methods, what the plans consist of, and conversations EPA has had with Arkansas and with states in general about implementation methods. Arkansas currently does not have a plan. Information included here is publically available (see links). Reporter is Emily Walkenhorst, Arkansas Democrat-Gazette, (ewalkenhorst@arkansasonline.com)

Suggested Response: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Inquiry: I'm wondering if I can speak with someone at the EPA about how many states have anti-degradation implementation plans and what they typically consist of. I know Arkansas doesn't have one, so I'm also curious as to what the EPA's conversations with Arkansas have been about that and what hurdles many states seem to face, from EPA's perspective, in developing implementation plans.

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Office of Media Relations
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From: Bowman, Liz
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2017 6:26 PM
To: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>
Cc: Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>; Freire, JP <Freire.JP@epa.gov>; Wilcox, Jahan <wilcox.jahan@epa.gov>; Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>; Hull, George <Hull.George@epa.gov>; StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>; Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>; Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>; Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: OPEN INQUIRIES FOR REVIEW 5/15 (evening)

Please see below.

From: Valentine, Julia
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2017 5:00 PM
To: Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>
Cc: Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>; Freire, JP <Freire.JP@epa.gov>; Wilcox, Jahan <wilcox.jahan@epa.gov>; Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>; Hull, George <Hull.George@epa.gov>; StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>; Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>; Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>; Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>
Subject: OPEN INQUIRIES FOR REVIEW 5/15 (evening)

Six requests awaiting review below, one newly added since 3:30 PM, in green, and one update:
- ProPublica DEADLINE ASAP (Christie St Clair)
- Arkansas Democrat-Gazette DEADLINE: 5/15 (Tricia Lynn)
- Michigan Public Radio, DEADLINE: 5/15 (Tricia Lynn for Enesta Jones)**UPDATED Response**
- CNN, DEADLINE: 5/21 (Christie St Clair)
- Overdrive, DEADLINE: 5/16 (soft) (Christie St. Clair)

ProPublica, DEADLINE: ASAP (Christie St Clair) GTG

Background: Open Burn/Open Detonation is a practice conducted at military bases, during which personnel destroy ammunition and other explosives by either burning or detonating them out in the open. Reporter still wants this information, and has been asking for it. Reporter: Abrahm Lustgarten, Reporter, Abrahm.Lustgarten@propublica.org.

Suggested response: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Inquiry: You've referred me to the RCRAinfo database, which I have used extensively to research this process. The database results show there are seven OBOD sites in the United States. I believe that number is extremely low. Can you confirm to me that this does reflect the accurate count of RCRA permitted OBOD sites in the United States? Or can you confirm that the number of sites is not known by the EPA? (Or explain otherwise?).

Can you tell me which offices and which staff provided the responses that you offer below? Not for attribution, but to help me understand which offices have expertise and whether the appropriate ones were engaged?

How is the open burn and detonation of munitions and energetics in the United States different from the burn pits in Iraq and Afghanistan? For this point in particular, through my research and reading of sample permits and case studies, I am not understanding a difference. So I hope for an EPA response for my story on this, as well any technical explanation of the emissions, burned constituents, distance to public, etc that I might have previously failed to understand.

Finally – the RCRA IDs I asked about – do those have matches with companies in the EPA's database? If not, can the EPA provide an explanation of what it means that an entity is transporting and disposing of waste, and is only identifying itself to state officials (in LA) using an EPA license which cannot be located or identified?

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Suggested Response: **This is incredibly confusing and way too long – can someone shorten to two paragraphs, max.**

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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Michigan Public Radio, DEADLINE: 5/15 (Tricia Lynn for Enesta Jones) ***UPDATED***

Background: The reporter is trying to track down information on the lead and copper rule as it relates to Tier 1 sites. She is reading and hearing from different water operators and state regulators that the EPA recently clarified that homes with lead goosenecks or lead pigtails should be considered Tier 1 sites and wants to know if this is true. Our clarifying response will help her write a short story for Tuesday's *The Environment Report*. Reporter is Lindsey Smith, Michigan Public Radio, lmsmi@umich.edu

Below is a revised response that Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Again, reporter is pinging. I believe we're just past her deadline now.

Revised Suggested Response: GTG

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Inquiry: I'm trying to track down the EPA source of something. I'm reading and hearing from different water operators and state regulators that the EPA recently (seems to go back to early 2016?) clarified that homes with lead goosenecks or lead pigtails should be considered Tier 1 sites.
Is that true? And if so, when did that happen? I thought I read it in one of Peter Grevatt's memos but now I'm reading back through and I don't see it. Can you help? I'm on a sort of tight deadline. I'm hearing it's a memo from May 2016, if that's helpful at all. I'm still searching online, but nothing yet.
Let me know either way please.

CNN, DEADLINE: 5/21 (Christie St Clair)

Suggested Response: GTG Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Inquiry: What concerns are there about HFCs?
What actions have been taken to phase down HFCs? (i.e., SNAP, Kigali Agreement) What is the timeline?
Are alternative refrigerants available?
What are the main ones for commercial and institutional HVAC equipment?
Is equipment that uses the alternatives available now?
Is the industry expecting any disruptions?
Are there tradeoffs with the new refrigerants?

Overdrive, DEADLINE: 5/16 (soft) (Christie St. Clair)

Background: Reporter: James Jaillet, Jjaillet@randallreilly.com

Response: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) GTG

Inquiry: I see that EPA has been granted a 90-day stay on a lawsuit brought by the Truck and Trailer Manufacturers Association relative to Phase 2 emissions standards for tractor-trailers.

A line in the EPA's motion for the stay – "It is possible that after reviewing the request, the agencies could decide to conduct further rulemaking or undertake other actions that could obviate the need for judicial resolution of some or all the issues raised by Trailer Petitioner" – makes it sound as if the EPA will reconsider Phase 2 standards relative to trailers.

Can EPA comment on that? Also, is there a chance the rule as a whole will be reevaluated? Either an extended timeline or something else?

Message

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Sent: 5/22/2017 3:31:28 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]; Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: AMY/JP - FOR REVIEW - Response to Morgan Smith of Texas Tribune on state registration of Kaput - DEADLINE 5/17

Gtg

From: Bowman, Liz
Sent: Thursday, May 18, 2017 12:39 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: AMY/JP - FOR REVIEW - Response to Morgan Smith of Texas Tribune on state registration of Kaput - DEADLINE 5/17

Great, thanks

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Thursday, May 18, 2017 11:43 AM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: AMY/JP - FOR REVIEW - Response to Morgan Smith of Texas Tribune on state registration of Kaput - DEADLINE 5/17

BACKGROUND

The reporter is following up on Tuesday's response to her questions on state pesticide product registration. We've worked with her on previous questions about warfarin, the active ingredient in "Kaput," a feral hog bait popular in West Texas. Morgan Smith – msmith@texastribune.com

RESPONSE

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Morgan Smith [mailto:msmith@texastribune.org]
Sent: Tuesday, May 16, 2017 10:49 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: EPA Response: State registration of Kaput

Hi there,

My question is actually whether the state can make suggestions or edits to the EPA approved label, not about the registration process.

Thanks!

Morgan

On Tue, May 16, 2017 at 9:31 AM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

> Good morning Morgan,
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> My colleague Tricia asked me to forward you the following, as she's out today. For attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:
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> "Once a company is granted an EPA registration, the company must also receive registration from the State in which the company wishes to sell and distribute the product. States can impose additional use restrictions of a pesticide product beyond that of the federal restrictions; however, the State cannot allow less restrictions than those imposed by the federal registration. Whether additional state restrictions are placed on a registration would be dictated by state law and regulations."

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Sent: 4/18/2017 7:10:33 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]; Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: FOLLOW-UP: subset of RSEI microdata

Just let this go, it isn't our job to work out their technical issues.

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 3:08 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: FOLLOW-UP: subset of RSEI microdata

Liz and team, the reporter received the response we sent earlier today. He obviously has some sort of technical issue with one of the files (attached) we sent. OK to reach out to the Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) folks to work this out?

From: Brian Bowling [mailto:bbowling@tribweb.com]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 12:41 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: subset of RSEI microdata

Robert,
Thanks for sending the data. I've never run into the ".abc" format before and QGIS doesn't recognize it as any kind of shapefile. Reading up on it, it sounds like its more of an animation/model file rather than a shapefile. Could you check with your technical people and see if they can export those two files into either ESRI shapefiles, ".shp" or one of the open-source formats such as KML?

Regards,
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"In three words I can sum up everything I've learned about life: it goes on." - Robert Frost

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From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 11:32 AM
To: Brian Bowling
Subject: RE: subset of RSEI microdata

Brian, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please.

We're providing the data you requested in three files:

- **AggMicro2015_Westmoreland_PA**—ESRI shapefiles containing RSEI Microdata for Westmoreland County
- **Facilities**—ESRI shapefiles containing facilities reporting to TRI in 2015, with associated RSEI metrics like score.

- **Facility-level results for Westmoreland County**—Microsoft Excel spreadsheet containing aggregated results for the facilities in Westmoreland County in 2015 (from EasyRSEI). Note this table includes all releases, including releases to water. The "Releases" sheet contains each release or transfer from a facility in Westmoreland County. The "Facility" sheet contains the same data aggregated to the facility level.

Also attached is a Word document with background on RSEI, the results, descriptions of the data fields, and responses to questions we anticipate you'll have when reviewing the data.

Regards, R.

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 8:51 AM
To: 'Brian Bowling' <bbowling@tribweb.com>
Subject: RE: subset of RSEI microdata

Hullo Brian,

I left you a voicemail yesterday. I don't know if you're still working on your story. Let me know if you have a minute to chat whenever possible.

Thanks, R.

From: Brian Bowling [mailto:bbowling@tribweb.com]
Sent: Monday, April 10, 2017 12:37 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: subset of RSEI microdata

Any update?

Regards,
Brian Bowling
Reporter
Tribune-Review
(p) 724-850-1218
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triblive.com

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From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Monday, April 03, 2017 9:21 AM
To: Brian Bowling
Subject: RE: subset of RSEI microdata

Hoping to get back to you today. Will advise if we need more time.

From: Brian Bowling [mailto:bbowling@tribweb.com]
Sent: Friday, March 31, 2017 4:20 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: subset of RSEI microdata

Are you guys going to be able to provide the data?

Regards,
Brian Bowling
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From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Monday, March 27, 2017 4:15 PM
To: Milbourn, Cathy; Brian Bowling
Cc: Seneca, Roy; Press
Subject: RE: subset of RSEI microdata

Good afternoon Brian,

Are you on deadline? Also, are you interested in one, or several, specific facilities?

Thanks, R.

From: Milbourn, Cathy
Sent: Monday, March 27, 2017 4:01 PM
To: Brian Bowling <bbowling@tribweb.com>
Cc: Seneca, Roy <Seneca.Roy@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: subset of RSEI microdata

Hi Brian,

Someone will get back to you.

Cathy

From: Brian Bowling [mailto:bbowling@tribweb.com]
Sent: Monday, March 27, 2017 3:59 PM
To: Milbourn, Cathy <Milbourn.Cathy@epa.gov>
Cc: Seneca, Roy <Seneca.Roy@epa.gov>
Subject: subset of RSEI microdata

I'm trying to get a subset of the RSEI microdata either for Westmoreland County, Pa., or for the state of Pennsylvania. Can you help me with that?

Regards,
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Message

From: Bowman, Liz [Bowman.Liz@epa.gov]
Sent: 6/27/2017 1:30:23 AM
To: Kane, Rebecca [Kane.Rebecca@epa.gov]
CC: Graham, Amy [graham.amy@epa.gov]; Shiffman, Cari [Shiffman.Cari@epa.gov]; Miles, Erin [Miles.Erin@epa.gov]; Ortiz, Julia [Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov]; StClair, Christie [StClair.Christie@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: RCRA dataset questions

Okay thank you!

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 26, 2017, at 7:43 PM, Kane, Rebecca <Kane.Rebecca@epa.gov> wrote:

> Last email for the night… I don't have any information on Abrahm's original request. Just that his FOIA request was "Pursuant to FOIA, I'd like to request records of all instances of non-compliance or other notices of violations for the operating or interim RCRA-permitted sites listed in the attached spreadsheet between Jan 1, 2010 and Jan. 1, 2017. (Most of which I believe are Subpart X permits). The majority of these sites and permits are not listed in the public online RCRAinfo database, thus my request here." These data are available via the OECA ECHO website, so he was directed there on 4/3/17. With instruction from OECA and OLEM comms, I answered his 5/18/17 technical questions about the ECHO data set on 5/19/17.
>
> As noted below, I was not able to respond to his 6/22 questions.
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> **From:** Kane, Rebecca
> **Sent:** Monday, June 26, 2017 6:44 PM
> **To:** Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>; Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** Shiffman, Cari <Shiffman.Cari@epa.gov>; Miles, Erin <Miles.Erin@epa.gov>; Ortiz, Julia <Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov>; StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** RE: RCRA dataset questions
>
> I'm sorry, Cari said there is a subpart X expert in OLEM/ORCR (and maybe not OECA).
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> **From:** Kane, Rebecca
> **Sent:** Monday, June 26, 2017 6:41 PM
> **To:** Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>; Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** Shiffman, Cari <Shiffman.Cari@epa.gov>; Miles, Erin <Miles.Erin@epa.gov>; Ortiz, Julia <Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** RE: RCRA dataset questions
>
> Hi,
> No, I am not in communications. I manage the website from which Abrahm pulled the data. I am not a RCRA Subpart X expert, so on Friday, OECA communications were trying to find a contact in OECA/OCE who might be a better person to answer this (but didn't have any luck).
>
> The violations are displayed on our website ECHO by RCRA ID. The ID Abrahm used as an example, RCRA ID AK1210022157, has had several violations in the past (the last one in 2011). (These violations are listed in ECHO downloadable files - not the web display, as it doesn't go back that far). Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
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> **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

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I might be able to dig up more information on what he's working on later tonight.
Thanks,
Rebecca

Rebecca Kane
U.S. EPA/Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance
Office of Compliance/Enforcement Targeting and Data Division
Integration, Targeting and Access Branch/Access and Transparency Team Leader
202-564-5960

From: Bowman, Liz
Sent: Monday, June 26, 2017 6:23 PM
To: Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>; Kane, Rebecca <Kane.Rebecca@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: RCRA dataset questions

Rebecca – Are you the communications lead here? We need to figure out who has been talking with this reporter and find out more about their story, where they are going with it, scope, etc.? I am not sure I understand the article's premise from this email. If you aren't the communications lead, can you please connect Amy and I with the right person? Thank you – Liz

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From: Graham, Amy
Sent: Monday, June 26, 2017 6:17 PM
To: Kane, Rebecca <Kane.Rebecca@epa.gov>
Cc: Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: RCRA dataset questions
Importance: High

Hi Rebecca – See below. Did you ever connect with Abrahm?

From: Abrahm Lustgarten [mailto:Abrahm.Lustgarten@propublica.org]
Sent: Monday, June 26, 2017 4:15 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: RCRA dataset questions
Importance: High

Hello – could someone please help ASAP with the below questions. Please see entire thread. I am on urgent deadline now.

This is particularly frustrating because it originates with a question to the press office months ago. I was told to FOIA the material. I did. And the FOIA response was a dataset that I've been using with the understanding its representative of my request. Now I learn that it may not be – that the data might not be what I was led to believe it is. I am close to publishing and I am trying to reach members of the Data/FOIA team which answered, for technical clarification, and instead my inquiries are going back through the press office, which is not responding at all on deadline to my inquiries.

Thank you,
Abrahm Lustgarten

Senior Reporter, ProPublica
Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

From: Abrahm Lustgarten <Abrahm.Lustgarten@propublica.org>
Date: Monday, June 26, 2017 at 8:43 AM
To: "StClair, Christie" <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Cc: "Jones, Lauren W." <Jones.LaurenW@epa.gov>, "Mears, Gilbert" <Mears.Gilbert@epa.gov>, "Kane, Rebecca" <Kane.Rebecca@epa.gov>, "Meredith, David" <Meredith.David@epa.gov>, Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: RCRA dataset questions

Hi Christie, any luck on someone giving me a call back?

Sent on the run

On Jun 22, 2017, at 2:32 PM, StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov> wrote:

> Thanks, Abrahm. What is your hard deadline?
>
> Christie
>
> Sent from my iPhone
>
> On Jun 22, 2017, at 5:03 PM, Abrahm Lustgarten <Abrahm.Lustgarten@propublica.org> wrote:
>
>> Hi all,
>>
>> I sent the following note with some technical questions about the RCRA enforcement database to Rebecca Kane earlier, but haven't yet heard back. Because I'm on a tight deadline, I'm resending to you all more broadly and hoping one of you can help with an explanation. Nothing for attribution/comment – just technical questions to make sure I am not misusing your data.
>>
>> Thank you,
>> Abrahm Lustgarten
>>
>>
>> Hi Rebecca,
>>
>> I left you a message earlier, and figured I'd follow up by email. I'm looking for some fact-check help in making sure I understand the RCRA data I'm using correctly in my reporting. Hoping you may be able to help me clarify the following:
>>
>> I've got a dataset for sites in the RCRA database with RCRA Subpart X permits to Open Burn and detonate hazardous explosives, and I'm examining violations for those specific RCRA IDs that correspond to the Subpart X permits. I'm trying to assess whether the violations I see are definitely associated with the Subpart X permits. So my questions are:

- can those IDs correspond to other violations other than Sub X permit violations or is each RCRA ID specific to the OBOD Sub X permit?
- BASICALLY: if I have a facility ID for an Open Burn/Open Detonation Subpart X permit, is that ID unique to that permit, or also used for other RCRA-specific enforcement issues? Ie – if I see a violation under that ID, do I know that it is a violation of its Sub X permit?
  - For example, if I take Elmendorf/Richardson base in Alaska, RCRA ID: AK1210022157 and put into Echo, I see multiple RCRA Ids for that site, but the ID I am using matches TSDF for its handling and storage of haz materials.
  - My violations data for that site and the TSDF permit shows 8 violations coded 264.A, which corresponds to a general Treatment, storage and Disposal violation.
  - Can I understand that to be specific to their Subpart X permit under that same RCRA ID #? Or is it somehow more general?

- Separately, in the violation codes for RCRA, I see several codes which seem to correspond more specifically to handling of munitions and explosives, 264.EE for example. Is there a catalogue with more precise descriptions of these codes that I should use/reference? Would I only want to look for 264.EE violations if I'm interested in explosives and Suppart X, or could Subpart X permit violations fall under other TSD-related violation codes?

Thank you in advance for your help, I'm on a pretty tight deadline, if you have a chance to reply I'd appreciate it.

Best
Abrahm Lustgarten
ProPublica
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From: "Jones, Lauren W." <Jones.LaurenW@epa.gov>
Date: Friday, May 19, 2017 at 6:49 AM
To: Abrahm Lustgarten <Abrahm.Lustgarten@propublica.org>
Cc: "Mears, Gilbert" <Mears.Gilbert@epa.gov>, "Kane, Rebecca" <Kane.Rebecca@epa.gov>, Lena Groeger <Lena.Groeger@propublica.org>, "Meredith, David" <Meredith.David@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: RCRA dataset questions

Good Morning:

Unfortunately, I will have to postpone this meeting until the appropriate communications leads are available to facilitate this call. Thanks for your understanding.

From: Abrahm Lustgarten [mailto:Abrahm.Lustgarten@propublica.org]
Sent: Thursday, May 18, 2017 5:32 PM
To: Jones, Lauren W. <Jones.LaurenW@epa.gov>
Cc: Mears, Gilbert <Mears.Gilbert@epa.gov>; Kane, Rebecca

<Kane.Rebecca@epa.gov>; Lena Groeger
<Lena.Groeger@propublica.org>
Subject: Re: RCRA dataset questions

Hi Lauren, we're both good to go with 9:30 PT/12:30 ET if that might work for you, otherwise let me know a better time.

Thanks
Abrahm

From: "Jones, Lauren W." <Jones.LaurenW@epa.gov>
Date: Thursday, May 18, 2017 at 12:29 PM
To: Abrahm Lustgarten <Abrahm.Lustgarten@propublica.org>
Cc: "Mears, Gilbert" <Mears.Gilbert@epa.gov>, "Kane, Rebecca" <Kane.Rebecca@epa.gov>
Subject: RCRA dataset questions

Good afternoon:

My name is Lauren Jones, EPA, and I was notified that you had some questions about the publicly available RCRAInfo dataset. I am available tomorrow if you would like to have a quick call. Please let me know what time works best for you.

Thanks,

Lauren Jones, PMP
Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance
Office of Compliance
Enforcement Targeting and Data Division
Media Systems Section
Room 7120
Office Phone (202) 564-0389

Message

From: Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Sent: 6/6/2018 7:03:27 PM
Subject: Fwd: FOR REVIEW: DRAFT PFAS Community Engagement
Attachments: PFAS Community Engagement Memo 5.31.18.docx; ATT00001.htm

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

> **From:** "Konkus, John" <konkus.john@epa.gov>
> **Date:** June 1, 2018 at 4:22:18 PM EDT
> **To:** "Block, Molly" <block.molly@epa.gov>, "Wadlington, Christina" <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>, "Drinkard, Andrea" <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** "Grantham, Nancy" <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
> **Subject: RE: FOR REVIEW: DRAFT PFAS Community Engagement**
>
> Attached is the draft comms plan with some additional edits including some from DA Wheeler.
>
> We will continue editing until Monday after the Senior Staff Meeting when Nancy will send this to the regions.
>
> Thanks and have a great weekend.
>
> John
>
> ---
>
> **From:** Block, Molly
> **Sent:** Wednesday, May 30, 2018 3:57 PM
> **To:** Wadlington, Christina <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** RE: FOR REVIEW: DRAFT PFAS Community Engagement
>
> Absolutely. I was just using NH as a guide. But we'd be happy to loosen it up. That's why I put Day 1/Part 1 in case these events aren't two days. Feel free to make those changes throughout.
>
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>
> **From:** Wadlington, Christina
> **Sent:** Wednesday, May 30, 2018 3:55 PM
> **To:** Block, Molly <block.molly@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** RE: FOR REVIEW: DRAFT PFAS Community Engagement
>
> Perhaps, consider making it a little more general?
>
> For example, generic speaker placeholders (e.g. EPA HQ versus Peter), less prescriptive on the times (in the event it's one day event, as it will likely be in MI)
>
> Happy to make these edits if that's helpful.

From: Block, Molly
Sent: Wednesday, May 30, 2018 3:51 PM
To: Wadlington, Christina <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Cc: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: FOR REVIEW: DRAFT PFAS Community Engagement

I envision this as the template for the regions to use for their community engagement events. That way there's consistency throughout and we have a coordinated press strategy. But I'm open to suggestions. Also, adding Konkus to the chain.

From: Wadlington, Christina
Sent: Wednesday, May 30, 2018 3:50 PM
To: Block, Molly <block.molly@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Cc: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: FOR REVIEW: DRAFT PFAS Community Engagement

Quick follow up. Is this for workgroup planning or would it be to circulate to assist others with planning follow up events?

From: Block, Molly
Sent: Wednesday, May 30, 2018 3:39 PM
To: Wadlington, Christina <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Cc: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: FOR REVIEW: DRAFT PFAS Community Engagement

Attached.

From: Block, Molly
Sent: Wednesday, May 30, 2018 3:36 PM
To: Wadlington, Christina <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Cc: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: FOR REVIEW: DRAFT PFAS Community Engagement

Sure. I'll send that your way in a moment. It's just a rough outline, so any OW input/edits are welcome!

From: Wadlington, Christina
Sent: Wednesday, May 30, 2018 3:35 PM
To: Block, Molly <block.molly@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Cc: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: FOR REVIEW: DRAFT PFAS Community Engagement

Sounds good. Did you want me to merge?

Also, once merged, if possible, can we give a moment for Peter and Dave to take a look before sending around?

From: Block, Molly
Sent: Wednesday, May 30, 2018 3:34 PM
To: Wadlington, Christina <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Cc: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: FOR REVIEW: DRAFT PFAS Community Engagement

I think we can definitely merge them. Your document looks like it would be a great first page with the goals section.

From: Wadlington, Christina
Sent: Wednesday, May 30, 2018 3:31 PM
To: Block, Molly <block.molly@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Cc: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: FOR REVIEW: DRAFT PFAS Community Engagement

Sorry I misunderstood, I started the attached, have circulated in OGWDW and it is being reviewed by management prior to sending to OPA.

It's less specific on the communications end but is intended to lay the bigger picture for senior managers and briefings. Did you want to use your document instead? Merge? Your thoughts would be appreciated.

From: Block, Molly
Sent: Wednesday, May 30, 2018 3:17 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Wadlington, Christina <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>
Cc: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: FOR REVIEW: DRAFT PFAS Community Engagement

Wanted to get some of the things we've chatted about over the past two days on paper. Feel free to edit the document attached, I think this will be helpful to stay on the same page. I've used New Hampshire as the example for the template, but will easily be able to change it up based on location. Please let me know what you think or if we need to add anything. Thanks!

Molly

Message

From: Sharpe, Kristinn [Sharpe.Kristinn@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/8/2017 8:03:30 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Press inquiry re: EPA budget calls for shuttering Energy Star program

Yes, it is. Thanks for doing that.

From: Drinkard, Andrea
Sent: Wednesday, March 08, 2017 3:03 PM
To: Sharpe, Kristinn <Sharpe.Kristinn@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Press inquiry re: EPA budget calls for shuttering Energy Star program

I've asked Robert to respond, I assume that is your preference as well?

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 8, 2017, at 3:00 PM, Sharpe, Kristinn <Sharpe.Kristinn@epa.gov> wrote:

> Thanks!
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>
> **From:** Daguillard, Robert
> **Sent:** Wednesday, March 08, 2017 2:59 PM
> **To:** Sharpe, Kristinn <Sharpe.Kristinn@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** RE: Press inquiry re: EPA budget calls for shuttering Energy Star program
>
> Good afternoon Kristinn and thank you for reaching out,
>
> For attribution to Julia Valentine, an EPA spokesperson, please:
>
> We are not commenting at this early stage in the process.
>
> Thanks, R.
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> ---
>
> **From:** Sharpe, Kristinn
> **Sent:** Wednesday, March 08, 2017 2:56 PM
> **To:** Press <Press@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** FW: Press inquiry re: EPA budget calls for shuttering Energy Star program
>
> **From:** AJ Dellinger [mailto:a.dellinger@ibtimes.com]
> **Sent:** Wednesday, March 08, 2017 2:49 PM
> **Subject:** Press inquiry re: EPA budget calls for shuttering Energy Star program [WARNING: SPF validation failed]
>
> Hello,

I'm working on a story for International Business Times about a report from E&E News that revealed a draft EPA budget calls for shuttering the Energy Star program.

I'm wondering if the Energy Star has any comment to provide on this report?

Thanks for your help and information.

Best Regards,
AJ Dellinger

Message

From: Lynn, Tricia [lynn.tricia@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/23/2017 7:35:41 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
CC: Welderufael, Miriam [welderufael.miriam@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Re: Media inquiry

Thanks to you both!

From: Drinkard, Andrea
Sent: Thursday, March 23, 2017 3:29 PM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Cc: Welderufael, Miriam <welderufael.miriam@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Re: Media inquiry

Hi Tricia,

Our program actions aren't broken down on the state level as the reporter is requesting. You could check with the region for good measure, if you wanted (please note that you've already checked with us if you do). But for now, I don't think we have anything further to provide.

Thanks.

From: Lynn, Tricia
Sent: Thursday, March 23, 2017 1:39 PM
To: Kelty, Diane <Kelty.Diane@epa.gov>
Cc: McMichael, Nate <McMichael.Nate@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Re: Media inquiry

Hi Diane—

Please see the string below. The reporter came back with the following:

I still need the data on what Energy Star programs are used in Kansas, and the annual expenditure of funds in Kansas for 10 years.

Is this something you can answer, or do I need to go to the region? Something else?

Thanks so much,

Tricia

From: Lynn, Tricia
Sent: Thursday, March 23, 2017 9:52 AM
To: 'morgan.rothenberger@cjonline.com' <morgan.rothenberger@cjonline.com>
Subject: Re: Media inquiry

Morgan—

See below for EPA's response to your inquiry.

Best,

Tricia

EPA Response:

The budget blueprint reflects the President's priorities of preserving clean air and water as well as to ease the burden of costly regulations to industry. Administrator Pruitt is committed to leading the EPA in a more effective, more focused, less costly way as we partner with states to fulfill the agency's core mission

- For attribution to Julia Valentine, an EPA spokesperson

From: "Chilson, Morgan" <morgan.rothenberger@cjonline.com>
Date: March 21, 2017 at 3:27:31 PM EDT
To: "media@energystar.gov" <media@energystar.gov>
Subject: Media inquiry

Good afternoon:

I'm working on a story about potential cuts under the Trump budget proposal. I understand the Energy Star program may be cut. I'd like to narrow in on what Energy Star programs are utilized in Kansas, how such cuts would impact the state and also would like to see an annual expenditure of funds in Kansas through the past 10 years.

I'd also love to interview someone about Energy Star, its focus as a program, its accomplishments and tie in any Kansas numbers possible.

Thank you!
Morgan

Morgan Chilson
The Topeka Capital-Journal
Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) cell
(785) 295-5659
@crazeywriter

Message

From: Stevens, Katherine [stevens.katherine@epa.gov]
Sent: 5/10/2017 8:02:03 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]; Millett, John [Millett.John@epa.gov]
CC: Welderufael, Miriam [welderufael.miriam@epa.gov]
Subject: FYI: social media policy change

So I double-checked with OPA that what John Konkus said in the PAD-RCL meeting today was the case, and good news! From now on any OAR account can RT federal agency stuff without having to get OPA approval. So I'm going to call Jenny and let her know she has that permission now with some obvious exceptions. If you'd prefer to have her double-check with me first, that's also fine. Just let me know what you feel most comfortable with.

Kati

Kati Stevens
Public Affairs Specialist
Office of Air and Radiation
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Desk: (202)-564-3251

Please consider the environment before printing this e-mail

Message

From: McFaul, Jessica [mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/26/2019 5:53:51 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: weekly email

Importance: High

Any input? J

DRAFT-DELIBERATIVE: SUBJECT TO CHANGE

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Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Message

From: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/22/2019 9:33:03 PM
To: Regional Public Affairs Directors [Regional_Public_Affairs_Directors@epa.gov]
CC: Hubbard, Carolyn [Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Tire Crumb Materials - close hold

Also .. all press inquiries should come to hq thanks ng

From: Grantham, Nancy
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Cc: Hubbard, Carolyn <Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov>
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Attachments: Priority QandAs_Tire Crumb_July 18_2019.docx; Tire Crumb Desk Statement_FINAL_July18_2019.docx

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Let me know your thoughts and possible dates/times.

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Sent: 1/30/2019 4:10:32 PM
To: Goodin, John [Goodin.John@epa.gov]; Connors, Sandra [Connors.Sandra@epa.gov]; Forsgren, Lee [Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov]; Hough, Palmer [Hough.Palmer@epa.gov]
CC: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]; Santell, Stephanie [Santell.Stephanie@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: MEDIA INQUIRY: Pebble Mine -- McClatchy, DDL 1/31
Attachments: McClatchy News Inquiry R10 draft response 1-30-2019.docxAD.docx

Importance: High

R10 rec'd a media inquiry re: Pebble and has put together the attached proposed responses (see my suggested edits in track changes). This is due to the reporter tomorrow and I still need to run our final answers by OPA.
Also, here's a bit more about this reporter's angle:

. This story will launch ahead of the Corps of Engineers Pebble Mine EIS on Feb. 22. They are doing a deep dive to show how we got here, the current mine plan, stakeholders' concerns and views, and Pebble Partnership's involvement in this process with leadership at EPA and the Corps.

From: Skadowski, Suzanne
Sent: Wednesday, January 30, 2019 10:23 AM
To: Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Cc: Holsman, Marianne <Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: MEDIA INQUIRY: Pebble Mine -- McClatchy, DDL 1/31
Importance: High

Hi Allison,

Our draft responses to the McClatchy inquiry are attached. This information has been compiled from various existing publicly available documents and from our website.

Please coordinate with your team, OPA and others as needed. Please send any questions or changes back to me as well. I am happy to send the final response back to this reporter, as she reached out to me for a background conversation.

Thank you!

Suzanne

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From: Dennis, Allison
Sent: Tuesday, January 29, 2019 1:39 PM
To: Skadowski, Suzanne <Skadowski.Suzanne@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: FYI MEDIA INQUIRY: Pebble Mine -- McClatchy, DDL 1/31

That works ! No need to send me anything now

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 29, 2019, at 4:32 PM, Skadowski, Suzanne <Skadowski.Suzanne@epa.gov> wrote:

> We have a pretty solid draft response, but I'm waiting for our attorney's input (Ashley P). Hoping to send to you end of day or crack of dawn tomorrow. It will be a quick turnaround I know. I let the reporter know that the new draft EIS launch date is now Feb. 22, not Jan. 31, so hopefully the urgency is lessened. I can send you the rough draft/don't share now if you're eager, otherwise I'll send your our draft for wide review as soon as it's done.
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> **From:** Dennis, Allison
> **Sent:** Tuesday, January 29, 2019 1:23 PM
> **To:** Skadowski, Suzanne <Skadowski.Suzanne@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** RE: FYI MEDIA INQUIRY: Pebble Mine -- McClatchy, DDL 1/31
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> Any updates on this one?
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> **From:** Skadowski, Suzanne
> **Sent:** Monday, January 28, 2019 6:26 PM
> **To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** Holsman, Marianne <Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** FYI MEDIA INQUIRY: Pebble Mine -- McClatchy, DDL 1/31
> **Importance:** High
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> Just FYI for now. We're working on draft answers to send to HQ. Just wanted to give you early heads up.
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> **From:** Skadowski, Suzanne
> **Sent:** Monday, January 28, 2019 3:22 PM
> **To:** Allnutt, David <Allnutt.David@epa.gov>; Peterson, Erik <Peterson.Erik@epa.gov>; Palomaki, Ashley <Palomaki.Ashley@epa.gov>; Hough, Palmer <Hough.Palmer@epa.gov>; Bennett, Brittany <bennett.brittany@epa.gov>; Lindsay, Andrea <Lindsay.Andrea@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** MEDIA INQUIRY: Pebble Mine -- McClatchy, DDL 1/31
> **Importance:** High
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> Hello and welcome back all!
>
> I need your help with the Qs below. Once we have draft answers we're happy with, I'll work w/ HQ on final. I talked with this reporter on background this morning to help get her up to speed.

Reporter wants to attribute/quote answers to questions below. I've attached the Qs and some proposed As in the attached doc.

Thanks!
Suzanne

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From: Rennie, Julianna <jrennie@mcclatchydc.com>
Sent: Monday, January 28, 2019 1:02 PM
To: Skadowski, Suzanne <Skadowski.Suzanne@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: FW: Media questions about Pebble Mine

Hi, Suzanne:

Thank you so much for chatting with me earlier today! Here are some of the questions that I would like EPA to comment on:

1. Other than in 2014 for the Pebble Project, has the EPA ever preemptively issued a proposed determination? Why did the EPA feel that it was necessary to do so for this project?

2. Why did Pruitt suspend the process to withdraw the proposed determination? Do you have any data from that comment period? (How many comments were submitted? Were they primarily in favor or opposition?)

3. Please comment on the timeline for the EIS. Is the EPA concerned about the accelerated timeline? How has Trump's emphasis on streamlined permitting influenced that decision?

4. If the Army Corps releases a favorable EIS but the proposed determination has not been withdrawn or finalized, then what happens?

5. If the Army Corps does issue a permit, can the EPA still block the project using 404c after the permit is granted?

Please let me know if you have any questions. I really appreciate all of your help!

Best,
Julianna

On Mon, Jan 28, 2019 at 2:41 PM Skadowski, Suzanne <Skadowski.Suzanne@epa.gov> wrote:

> Hi Julianna,
>
> Thanks for reaching out. I'm the main communications contact for EPA's work around the Pebble Mine.

Please give me a call when you get a chance, or send your questions by email.

Thanks!

Suzanne

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From: Rennie, Julianna <jrennie@mcclatchydc.com>
Sent: Friday, January 11, 2019 12:14 PM
To: MacIntyre, Mark <Macintyre.Mark@epa.gov>
Subject: Media questions about Pebble Mine

Hi, Mr. MacIntyre:

I'm a reporter for McClatchy and I'm working on an article about the Pebble Mine project. Would you be available to answer a few questions about the EPA's involvement with project? Feel free to give me a call at Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) when you return to the office.

Best,

Julianna

Julianna Rennie

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Message

From: Wadlington, Christina [Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov]
Sent: 5/30/2018 8:45:53 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: FOR REVIEW: DRAFT PFAS Community Engagement

Yeah that works for me. I want to flag for Peter anyhow in the morning.

Sent from my iPhone

On May 30, 2018, at 4:42 PM, Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov> wrote:

> Can I read through it in the morning?
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> **From:** Wadlington, Christina
> **Sent:** Wednesday, May 30, 2018 4:41 PM
> **To:** Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** FW: FOR REVIEW: DRAFT PFAS Community Engagement
>
> I edited this a lot..... thoughts? I want to share with Peter/Jennifer before sending back though.
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> **From:** Block, Molly
> **Sent:** Wednesday, May 30, 2018 3:57 PM
> **To:** Wadlington, Christina <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** RE: FOR REVIEW: DRAFT PFAS Community Engagement
>
> Absolutely. I was just using NH as a guide. But we'd be happy to loosen it up. That's why I put Day 1/Part 1 in case these events aren't two days. Feel free to make those changes throughout.
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> **From:** Wadlington, Christina
> **Sent:** Wednesday, May 30, 2018 3:55 PM
> **To:** Block, Molly <block.molly@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** RE: FOR REVIEW: DRAFT PFAS Community Engagement
>
> Perhaps, consider making it a little more general?
>
> For example, generic speaker placeholders (e.g. EPA HQ versus Peter), less prescriptive on the times (in the event it's one day event, as it will likely be in MI)
>
> Happy to make these edits if that's helpful.
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> **From:** Block, Molly
> **Sent:** Wednesday, May 30, 2018 3:51 PM
> **To:** Wadlington, Christina <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** RE: FOR REVIEW: DRAFT PFAS Community Engagement

I envision this as the template for the regions to use for their community engagement events. That way there's consistency throughout and we have a coordinated press strategy. But I'm open to suggestions. Also, adding Konkus to the chain.

From: Wadlington, Christina
Sent: Wednesday, May 30, 2018 3:50 PM
To: Block, Molly <block.molly@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Cc: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: FOR REVIEW: DRAFT PFAS Community Engagement

Quick follow up. Is this for workgroup planning or would it be to circulate to assist others with planning follow up events?

From: Block, Molly
Sent: Wednesday, May 30, 2018 3:39 PM
To: Wadlington, Christina <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Cc: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: FOR REVIEW: DRAFT PFAS Community Engagement

Attached.

From: Block, Molly
Sent: Wednesday, May 30, 2018 3:36 PM
To: Wadlington, Christina <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Cc: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: FOR REVIEW: DRAFT PFAS Community Engagement

Sure. I'll send that your way in a moment. It's just a rough outline, so any OW input/edits are welcome!

From: Wadlington, Christina
Sent: Wednesday, May 30, 2018 3:35 PM
To: Block, Molly <block.molly@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Cc: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: FOR REVIEW: DRAFT PFAS Community Engagement

Sounds good. Did you want me to merge?

Also, once merged, if possible, can we give a moment for Peter and Dave to take a look before sending around?

From: Block, Molly
Sent: Wednesday, May 30, 2018 3:34 PM
To: Wadlington, Christina <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Cc: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: FOR REVIEW: DRAFT PFAS Community Engagement

I think we can definitely merge them. Your document looks like it would be a great first page with the goals section.

From: Wadlington, Christina
Sent: Wednesday, May 30, 2018 3:31 PM
To: Block, Molly <block.molly@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Cc: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: FOR REVIEW: DRAFT PFAS Community Engagement

Sorry I misunderstood, I started the attached, have circulated in OGWDW and it is being reviewed by management prior to sending to OPA.

It's less specific on the communications end but is intended to lay the bigger picture for senior managers and briefings. Did you want to use your document instead? Merge? Your thoughts would be appreciated.

From: Block, Molly
Sent: Wednesday, May 30, 2018 3:17 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Wadlington, Christina <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>
Cc: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: FOR REVIEW: DRAFT PFAS Community Engagement

Wanted to get some of the things we've chatted about over the past two days on paper. Feel free to edit the document attached, I think this will be helpful to stay on the same page. I've used New Hampshire as the example for the template, but will easily be able to change it up based on location. Please let me know what you think or if we need to add anything. Thanks!

Molly

Message

From: Amato, Paul [Amato.Paul@epa.gov]
Sent: 5/15/2018 3:05:18 PM
To: Dennis, Allison [Dennis.Allison@epa.gov]
CC: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: WIFIA Announcement - Tomorrow

Ok, thanks. That makes sense. I'll keep an eye out.

From: Dennis, Allison
Sent: Tuesday, May 15, 2018 8:03 AM
To: Amato, Paul <Amato.Paul@epa.gov>
Cc: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: WIFIA Announcement - Tomorrow

I'm sorry Paul. No, you didn't miss anything.

Today's announcement wasn't included in the press planner on Friday b/c the decision was only made on Friday and we used Monday to quickly turn this announcement around.

Regions will be receiving a copy of the release and letters to governors and tribes when they are ready.

From: Amato, Paul
Sent: Tuesday, May 15, 2018 10:42 AM
To: Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: WIFIA Announcement - Tomorrow

Hi Allison,

Did I miss any communications from OW on this? I didn't see anything on it in the latest press planner. Our people that know WIFIA were unaware as well. Please let me know if there is a rollout and any other information I should be aware of. I assume, at a minimum, regions will receive a copy of the release and a letter to governors, similar to last time. We would also be targeting our territories and tribes again.

Thank you,
Paul

From: Zito, Kelly
Sent: Monday, May 14, 2018 9:55 AM
To: Torres, Tomas <Torres.Tomas@epa.gov>; Gullatt, Kristin <Gullatt.Kristin@epa.gov>; Amato, Paul <Amato.Paul@epa.gov>
Cc: Maier, Brent <Maier.Brent@epa.gov>; Mogharabi, Nahal <MOGHARABI.NAHAL@EPA.GOV>; Huitric, Michele <Huitric.Michele@epa.gov>; Higuchi, Dean <Higuchi.Dean@epa.gov>; Calvino, Maria Soledad <Calvino.Maria@epa.gov>; PerezSullivan, Margot <PerezSullivan.Margot@epa.gov>; Barkett, Bonnie <Barkett.Bonnie@epa.gov>; Sebastian, Chris <Sebastian.Chris@epa.gov>
Subject: WIFIA Announcement - Tomorrow

FYI – Tomorrow HQ is announcing that Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) (this is close hold until tomorrow's announcement).
HQ is asking us to amplify three components:

1. HQ press release – We're asked to send out to our media lists (OPA can handle this one)
2. Governors' letters – We're asked to send out to stakeholders (similar to first round)
3. Targeted outreach to states/communities with large numbers of lead service lines

Hopefully, Water Division folks are in the loop on this!
Let us know how we can help-
Kelly

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Message

From: Campbell, Ann [Campbell.Ann@epa.gov]
Sent: 4/4/2018 11:06:57 AM
To: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
CC: Sawyers, Andrew [Sawyers.Andrew@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Indiana WIFIA Loan

Let me know how/if I can help.

On Apr 3, 2018, at 7:15 PM, Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov> wrote:

> Sounds good. Andrew let's touch base tomorrow.
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> What's the timing for delivering the pager?
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> Sent from my iPhone
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> On Apr 3, 2018, at 7:13 PM, Sawyers, Andrew <Sawyers.Andrew@epa.gov> wrote:
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> > Thanks Dave - will do.
> >
> > On Apr 3, 2018, at 4:11 PM, Ross, David P <ross.davidp@epa.gov> wrote:
> >
> > > Close hold – confidential; deliberative
> > >
> > > Andrew and Andrea,
> > >
> > > Ryan Jackson has asked for a one pager on the upcoming WIFIA loan approval for Indiana Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
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> > > Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
> > >
> > > Thanks.
> > >
> > > Dave

Message

From: Hough, Palmer [Hough.Palmer@epa.gov]
Sent: 1/22/2018 9:54:51 PM
To: Goodin, John [Goodin.John@epa.gov]; Eisenberg, Mindy [Eisenberg.Mindy@epa.gov]; Libertz, Catherine [Libertz.Catherine@epa.gov]; Kaiser, Russell [Kaiser.Russell@epa.gov]; Neugeboren, Steven [Neugeboren.Steven@epa.gov]; Allnutt, David [Allnutt.David@epa.gov]; Stern, Allyn [Stern.Allyn@epa.gov]; Holsman, Marianne [Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov]; Murphy, Stacy [Murphy.Stacy@epa.gov]; Fordham, Tami [Fordham.Tami@epa.gov]; Szerlog, Michael [Szerlog.Michael@epa.gov]
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Subject: FW: Draft FRN regarding Pebble/Bristol Bay for your review (Close-Hold, please do not forward, share, or discuss outside this group)
Attachments: BB FRN_no withdrawal decision_v5.docx; BB FRN_no withdrawal decision_v4_mark-up2.docx

Importance: High

Folks

Thanks for all of the great comments. Attached is the latest revised draft FRN (v5) that was forwarded to senior management today. Also attached is a mark-up of v4 showing how your comments were addressed.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks, Palmer

From: Hough, Palmer
Sent: Monday, January 22, 2018 4:44 PM
To: Forsgren, Lee <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov>; Fotouhi, David <fotouhi.david@epa.gov>; Hladick, Christopher <hladick.christopher@epa.gov>; Pirzadeh, Michelle <Pirzadeh.Michelle@epa.gov>
Cc: Goodin, John <Goodin.John@epa.gov>; Neugeboren, Steven <Neugeboren.Steven@epa.gov>; Stern, Allyn <Stern.Allyn@epa.gov>; Allnutt, David <Allnutt.David@epa.gov>; Nalven, Heidi <Nalven.Heidi@epa.gov>; Wehling, Carrie <Wehling.Carrie@epa.gov>; Palomaki, Ashley <Palomaki.Ashley@epa.gov>; Steiner-Riley, Cara <Steiner-Riley.Cara@epa.gov>; Best-Wong, Benita <Best-Wong.Benita@epa.gov>
Subject: Draft FRN regarding Pebble/Bristol Bay for your review (Close-Hold, please do not forward, share, or discuss outside this group)
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Lee/David/Chris/Michelle:

Attached for your review is a draft FRN for **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**
Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

This draft FRN has been reviewed by John Goodin, Steve Neugeboren, Allyn Stern, and David Allnutt and I've been asked to forward it to you on their behalf.

The draft FRN is 12.5 pages, double-spaced and currently drafted for Chris' signature.

The drafting team was asked to consider whether Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks, Palmer

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Message

From: Forsgren, Lee [Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov]
Sent: 9/5/2019 4:00:39 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: OW-Morning Insider

That works fine.

From: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, September 5, 2019 11:00 AM
To: Forsgren, Lee <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: OW-Morning Insider

Will do. I'm tied up until 1, but will call then.

On Sep 5, 2019, at 10:57 AM, Forsgren, Lee <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov> wrote:

> Andrea,
>
> Need some guidance. Call me about this after Noon if you have a minute.
>
> Lee
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> **From:** Kaiser, Russell <Kaiser.Russell@epa.gov>
> **Sent:** Thursday, September 5, 2019 10:37 AM
> **To:** Forsgren, Lee <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** Frazer, Brian <Frazer.Brian@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** FW: OW-Morning Insider
>
> Lee, story below!
>
> **Russell L. Kaiser**
> **Chief, Freshwater and Marine Regulatory Branch**
> **Oceans, Wetlands and Communities Division**
> **Office of Wetlands, Oceans and Watersheds**
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> **P: 202.566.0963**
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> **From:** Bennett, Brittany <bennett.brittany@epa.gov>
> **Sent:** Thursday, September 05, 2019 10:25 AM
> **To:** Hanson, Andrew <Hanson.Andrew@epa.gov>; Kaiser, Russell <Kaiser.Russell@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** Linn, Jennifer <Linn.Jennifer@epa.gov>; Goodin, John <Goodin.John@epa.gov>; Frazer, Brian <Frazer.Brian@epa.gov>; Eisenberg, Mindy <Eisenberg.Mindy@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** RE: OW-Morning Insider

The author of the article was Lara Beaven, who is on the attendee report list that we received following the webinar. As far as I can tell, she was not on the registration list that we received prior to the webinar starting. She must have registered right as the webinar was beginning, which is why we didn't catch that there was a non-gov registrant on the list.

Andrew, attached is the run of show we used yesterday. I have forwarded the attendee list to you, but here it is again, as well.

Brittany

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From: Hanson, Andrew <Hanson.Andrew@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, September 05, 2019 9:06 AM
To: Kaiser, Russell <Kaiser.Russell@epa.gov>
Cc: Linn, Jennifer <Linn.Jennifer@epa.gov>; Bennett, Brittany <bennett.brittany@epa.gov>; Goodin, John <Goodin.John@epa.gov>; Frazer, Brian <Frazer.Brian@epa.gov>; Eisenberg, Mindy <Eisenberg.Mindy@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: OW-Morning Insider

If you would forward the sign-in sheet, I'd be happy to take a look.

It would also be helpful to have the "run of show" narrative. As I said yesterday, I promise to keep it close hold.

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 5, 2019, at 8:37 AM, Kaiser, Russell <Kaiser.Russell@epa.gov> wrote:

> All – see second story below. It appears that we had press on the phone for yesterday's session or someone reported out to the press immediately following.
>
> Brittany/Andrew/Jennifer – can you tell via the sign in sheet who the press person is? Please advise ASAP.
>
> **Russell L. Kaiser**
> **Chief, Freshwater and Marine Regulatory Branch**
> **Oceans, Wetlands and Communities Division**
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From: Forsgren, Lee <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, September 05, 2019 8:28 AM
To: Kaiser, Russell <Kaiser.Russell@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: OW-Morning Insider

From: Fuld, John <Fuld.John@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, September 5, 2019 7:10 AM
To: Bertrand, Charlotte <Bertrand.Charlotte@epa.gov>; Best-Wong, Benita <Best-Wong.Benita@epa.gov>; Bravo, Antonio <Bravo.Antonio@epa.gov>; Connors, Sandra <Connors.Sandra@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Forsgren, Lee <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov>; Goodin, John <Goodin.John@epa.gov>; Gordon, Brittney <Gordon.Brittney@epa.gov>; Klein, Melissa <Klein.Melissa@epa.gov>; Kramer, Jessica L. <kramer.jessical@epa.gov>; Lape, Jeff <lape.jeff@epa.gov>; Lousberg, Macara <Lousberg.Macara@epa.gov>; Mayer, Lauren <mayer.lauren@epa.gov>; McDonough, Owen <mcdonough.owen@epa.gov>; Mclain, Jennifer <Mclain.Jennifer@epa.gov>; Nagle, Deborah <Nagle.Deborah@epa.gov>; Risley, David <Risley.David@epa.gov>; Ross, David P <ross.davidp@epa.gov>; Ruf, Christine <Ruf.Christine@epa.gov>; Sawyers, Andrew <Sawyers.Andrew@epa.gov>; Schollhamer, Mary <Schollhamer.Mary@epa.gov>; Shimkin, Martha <Shimkin.Martha@epa.gov>; Spraul, Greg <Spraul.Greg@epa.gov>; Wadlington, Christina <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>; Wildeman, Anna <wildeman.anna@epa.gov>; Lalley, Cara <Lalley.Cara@epa.gov>
Subject: OW-Morning Insider

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September 5, 2019

NEWS:

<image003.jpg>**MEDICAL DEVICE INDUSTRY WEIGHS IN ON PFAS**

With negotiations between the House and Senate over a major package to regulate toxic PFAS chemicals now at a critical juncture, the powerful medical device industry is weighing in against several key House provisions. In a letter sent last week and obtained by POLITICO, the Advanced Medical Technology Association urged House and Senate Armed Services Committee leaders to nix provisions in the House's package that would designate all roughly 5,000 chemicals in the PFAS class as hazardous for the purposes of cleanups and require permit limits for discharges of any of the chemicals. According to the association, medical devices like stents, pacemakers and catheters can contain fluoropolymers, a type of PFAS, and the group argues that these devices have been "thoroughly assessed" for safety by the Food and Drug Association. "Circumventing the existing regulatory process for determining hazardous

substances and wastes could threaten the ability of our members to continue to provide patients with life-saving devices," the group wrote.

<image005.png>EPA Floats Options to Curb CWA 404 'Veto' But Stops Short of Pruitt Calls

Entire Article: https://insideepa.com/daily-news/epa-floats-options-curb-cwa-404-%E2%80%98veto%E2%80%99-stops-short-pruitt-calls

EPA is seeking comment from state and local governments on possible changes to its rules that in some cases could limit how and when the agency objects to Clean Water Act (CWA) section 404 dredge-and-fill permits issued by the Army Corps of Engineers, though the options stop short of calls from former Administrator Scott Pruitt who sought to eliminate the authority.

Last year, Pruitt issued a memo directing EPA's Office of Water (OW) to quickly initiate a rulemaking to eliminate the agency's "veto" authority under section 404(c) in some circumstances and placing key decisions at the headquarters level rather than with regional officials.

But according to EPA slides presented during a Sept. 4 webinar, the agency appears to be considering a wider range of options than detailed in the Pruitt memo even while acknowledging the effort is driven in large part by the memo, which criticized the Obama administration's proposed preemptive veto of the contentious Pebble Mine near Bristol Bay, AK.

EPA formally withdrew the proposed Pebble veto Aug. 30.

The consultation with state and local officials, launched in August and continuing this month, is advancing ahead of the agency issuing a formal regulatory proposal that would aim to make the so-called veto process more "judicious and transparent," according to agency staff.

During the Sept. 4 webinar, Lee Forsgren, deputy assistant administrator in OW, said in response to a question about who was behind the effort, that it is the result of calls from groups outside the agency and an internally driven process. "It's a little bit of all of the above," he said.

Section 404(c) authorizes EPA to restrict, prohibit, deny, or withdraw the use of an area as a disposal site for dredged or fill material whenever the administrator determines, after notice and opportunity for public comment, that the discharge will have unacceptable adverse effects on municipal water supplies, shellfish beds and fishery areas, wildlife, or recreational areas.

While section 404(c) does not allow EPA to completely vacate a Corps permit, a broad enough bar on disposal is seen as a veto for all practical purposes because it effectively blocks the "fill" part of the dredge-and-fill permit.

Since the 404 permitting process was established, the Corps has issued 2.1 million permits and Michigan and New Jersey -- the only two states with delegated authority -- have issued 240,000 permits, according to EPA. The agency has only issued 13 final determinations withdrawing disposal authority, with three of those final determinations modified, and has terminated the veto process on 17 other permits.

In response to a question on the webinar about why the agency is considering changes to its 404(c) regulations when it has issued so few vetoes, Forsgren said that just because it has been used only a few times does not lessen its importance.

There has "been a lot of controversy in the last decade," he said, and Pruitt and Administrator Andrew Wheeler "believed it was time to review the process."

<image007.jpg>Dog Deaths Raise Algal Bloom Alarm as States Report More Toxins

Entire Article: https://news.bloombergenvironment.com/environment-and-energy/dog-deaths-raise-algal-bloom-alarm-as-states-report-more-toxins

A high-profile series of dog deaths has awakened the public to the growing problem of toxic algal blooms, spurred by rising temperatures and pollution.

The blooms are emerging as a national, not just regional, concern, according to preliminary data reported to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency through July. Samples taken from New Jersey to California, and from Texas to Washington state, all show evidence of toxins given off by the blooms.

Since 2018, when the EPA started collecting the latest batch of data, algal blooms have been documented near the intakes of water treatment plants at least 130 times.

Algae occurs naturally in bodies of water across all U.S. states, with fetid blooms on ponds, lakes, and streams usually spiking each August. But the putrid, mucky overgrowth of algae in water can release toxins that sicken and kill humans and animals. These harmful blooms thrive in hotter temperatures and with exposure to nutrients used in farming, such as phosphorus.

In May, the U.S. EPA came out with recommended safety levels for state action regarding two algal-bloom produced toxins in recreational water. Those

recommendations followed federal drinking water health advisories for those toxins issued in 2015, after a 2014 drinking water ban in Toledo, Ohio, sparked by a massive bloom in western Lake Erie.

While scientists have monitored harmful algal blooms and their toxins for decades, state regulators are becoming increasingly aware of their harms due to recent pet deaths. Reports of dogs dying in North Carolina in August drew national headlines, and eight additional dogs died in Michigan the same month from possible exposure to algae-linked bacteria after the canines took a dip into ponds, streams, or lakes.

"And dogs are so silly," Susan Wilde, associate professor of aquatic science at the University of Georgia, told Bloomberg Environment. "Not only do they swim in that water and don't give a rip, they will even eat the scum that accumulates."

Dogs aren't the only creatures at risk: People have gotten sick from possible toxins in seafood, and in the Southeast in 2015, there were reports of dozens of bald eagles dying due to links to toxic blue-green algae.

Lack of Federal Response

Rising temperatures and more rainfall linked to climate change will likely cause more algal blooms in the future, especially in fresh water, Shelly Tomlinson, an oceanographer at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) National Centers for Coastal Ocean Science, said in an interview.

Marc Suddleson, a program manager in that same NOAA center, also said that blooms across the world are lasting longer, getting more toxic, and appearing earlier and later in the year. And species of toxin-releasing bacteria are popping up in new locations. Half a dozen state environment regulators contacted by Bloomberg Environment repeated the same idea.

But the issue hasn't garnered significant national federal intervention beyond research and advisories to state water regulators. Congress authorized funding, most recently last December, to spur federal research of algal blooms. And the EPA has given out $7.5 million in grants to help farmers improve water quality, as well as $1.2 million to implement state plans to reduce nutrient discharges into the Mississippi River.

An effective organization dealing with the issue across states is the Interstate Technology and Regulatory Council, a state-led coalition that includes members from all 50 states, according to Pam Anderson, a manager at the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency.

An EPA spokeswoman pointed out that states are the main authority for setting water quality standards and effluent limits. EPA data indicates 35 states have

implemented guidelines for algal bloom bacteria and toxins in recreational waterways. But the EPA is only aware of two states—Ohio and Oregon—that have used EPA guidelines to develop drinking water standards for algal bloom bacteria, she said.

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Sent: 5/18/2018 9:41:39 PM
To: Dennis, Allison [Dennis.Allison@epa.gov]
CC: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: heads up calls

FYI, talked to Jessica and Jeff's out but his SA is giving him the deets now.

I've asked Peter to cover Craig.

-----Original Message-----
From: Dennis, Allison
Sent: Friday, May 18, 2018 5:17 PM
To: Wadlington, Christina <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>
Cc: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
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From: Fligger, Karen [Fligger.Karen@epa.gov]
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To: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]; Schollhamer, Mary [Schollhamer.Mary@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Region 1 WIFIA plan & draft PR

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Karen Fligger
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From: Drinkard, Andrea
Sent: Friday, July 14, 2017 3:13 PM
To: Fligger, Karen <Fligger.Karen@epa.gov>; Schollhamer, Mary <Schollhamer.Mary@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Region 1 WIFIA plan & draft PR

Here's Region 1's plan and release. Any issues here? Thanks.

From: Deegan, Dave
Sent: Friday, July 14, 2017 3:11 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Cc: Gutro, Doug <Gutro.Doug@epa.gov>; Bender, Emily <Bender.Emily@epa.gov>; Deegan, Dave <Deegan.Dave@epa.gov>
Subject: Region 1 WIFIA plan & draft PR

Hi Nancy,

I had some time so went ahead and drafted a more local proposed PR for WIFIA … we're glad to keep closer to the HQ draft if you prefer, but I wanted to float this in case it's helpful for John or others to see this approach.

Pitch Plan:

We'd recommend offering an early embargo story to Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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Day of release we would also send the PR to our normal Maine lists, which include all other daily/weekly papers, radio and TV.

We'll suggest social media next week… I'm thinking you all may already be working on that so I'm hoping not to duplicate efforts.

Hope this is helpful,
Dave

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Subject: e-copies of your Oil and Gas Roundtable Materials
Attachments: FW: UIC Materials for Lee; RE: Roundtable Question for Lee; OW Background for Oil and Gas Roundtable.docx; Final Lee Talking Points for Oil and Gas Roundtable.docx

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Yep. I'm calling them now.

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To: Wadlington, Christina [Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov]
CC: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: VICE Freelancer on PFAS

See below

From: Lynn, Tricia
Sent: Friday, September 07, 2018 1:07 PM
To: Fuld, John <Fuld.John@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: VICE Freelancer on PFAS

Just FYI, I forgot the extra link y'all had provided, so I just sent it to him separately.

Thanks!

From: Fuld, John
Sent: Friday, September 07, 2018 1:07 PM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: VICE Freelancer on PFAS

thanks

From: Lynn, Tricia
Sent: Friday, September 07, 2018 1:00 PM
To: Sam Easter < Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) >
Subject: Re: VICE Freelancer on PFAS

Hi Sam—

Thanks so much for your patience.

For attribution (if attributing) to "an EPA spokesperson:"

Incoming #1: How long has the EPA been aware of the dangers of PFOS/PFOA and other PFAS chemicals?

Response #1: Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) are a group of man-made chemicals that have been in use since the 1940s, and are (or have been) found in a wide array of consumer products like cookware, food packaging, and stain repellants. In the late 1990's EPA received information indicating that PFOS was widespread in the blood of the general population and presented concerns for persistence, bioaccumulation and toxicity. As a result of this information EPA has taken a range of regulatory actions to address PFAS substances in manufacturing and consumer products. Additionally, the Agency launched the PFOA stewardship program to eliminate these chemicals from emissions and products. Learn more about these actions: https://www.epa.gov/assessing-and-managing-chemicals-under-tsca/risk-management-and-polyfluoroalkyl-substances-pfass.

Incoming #2: I am aware that in 2016 the EPA set its health advisory levels for PFOS and PFOA at 70 parts per trillion. For cases when both chemicals are present, is this advisory level passed when the total of both chemicals exceeds 70 ppt, or when the measure of one individual chemical exceeds 70 ppt?

Response #2: If water sampling results confirm that drinking water contains PFOA and PFOS at individual or combined concentrations greater than 70 parts per trillion, EPA recommends that water systems quickly undertake additional sampling to assess the level, scope and localized source of contamination to inform next steps.

Incoming #3: What other federal regulations currently exist to protect consumers from PFAS chemicals?

Response #3: PFAS are currently not regulated under the Safe Drinking Water Act. At the National Leadership Summint in May, EPA announced it is initiating the steps to evaluate the need for a Safe Drinking Water Act maximum contaminant level for PFOA and PFOS. TSCA provides several authorities for reviewing and controlling risks posed by PFAS. Section 5 mandates that EPA review all new chemicals entering the marketplace, including PFAS. Since 2006, has regulated about 200 PFASs through a combination of TSCA Consent Orders and Significant New Use Rules (SNURs).

Incoming #4: Many sources describe a process of mutual agreement through which the federal government and leading manufacturers of PFOS/PFOA ended those chemicals' manufacture and import in the U.S. Can you describe this process in greater detail or provide resources that describe it?

Response #4: Please see the 2010/2015 PFOA Stewardship Program fact sheet for more information: https://www.epa.gov/assessing-and-managing-chemicals-under-tsca/fact-sheet-20102015-pfoa-stewardship-program

Incoming #5: What is EPA doing to address and curb PFAS contamination in the future?

Response #5: EPA is Committed to take the following priority actions to address PFAS.

1. EPA will initiate steps to evaluate the need for a maximum contaminant level (MCL) for PFOA and PFOS. We will convene our federal partners and examine everything we know about PFOA and PFOS in drinking water.
2. EPA is beginning the necessary steps to propose designating PFOA and PFOS as "hazardous substances" through one of the available statutory mechanisms, including potentially CERCLA Section 102.
3. EPA is currently developing groundwater cleanup recommendations for PFOA and PFOS at contaminated sites and will complete this task by fall of this year.
4. EPA is taking action in close collaboration with our federal and state partners to develop toxicity values for GenX and PFBS.

Additionally, EPA plans to develop a National PFAS Management Plan by the end of the year.

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Response #6: The agency is taking active steps provide states, tribes, and communities with the tools they need to effectively address PFAS. EPA hosted a PFAS National Leadership Summit in May 2018 that brought together state, tribal, and federal partners, as well as key stakeholders including industry, utilities, Congressional staff, and nongovernmental organizations. The Summit provided an opportunity to share information on ongoing efforts, to identify specific near-term actions, and to address risk communication challenges. Since June, EPA held five community engagements that has allowed EPA to hear directly from nearly a thousand individuals, including more than 150 people who delivered remarks about their personal experiences.
To ensure that everyone who would like to provide input to EPA, EPA has set up a public docket that will remain open until September 28, 2018. The EPA will consider information from the National Leadership Summit, community engagements, and the public docket to develop a PFAS Management Plan. The Management Plan is expected to include actions that the EPA will take to provide tools that states, tribes, and communities can use to address PFAS.

Best,

Tricia

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From: Sam Easter [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Tuesday, September 04, 2018 1:08 PM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: VICE Freelancer on PFAS

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Thanks again! Please feel free to reach out with any requests for clarification.

Best,

Sam Easter
Reporter
C: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

On Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 12:22 PM Sam Easter < Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) wrote:

> Hi Tricia,
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> Thanks for your response! I'll pass along a list of questions within the next two hours.
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> Best,
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> Sam Easter

Reporter
C: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

On Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 12:03 PM Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Sam—

I'm happy to try and help you in Enesta's absence.

I understand you'd like a call and I'm happy to check into it. However, please be aware that they're not always available. If not we can typically respond in writing.

In either case, in order to begin I'll need a complete list of your questions as well as your firm deadline. (I understand that there could be follow-up questions, of course.) Can you please supply your list and deadline at your earliest convenience so I can get started on your request?

Thanks so much,

Tricia

Tricia Lynn

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From: Sam Easter [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Tuesday, September 04, 2018 11:56 AM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: VICE Freelancer on PFAS

Hi EPA press team!

I sent the below email to Enesta Jones and received an auto-reply indicating she's out of the office. I don't know if someone is available to help me?

Best,

Sam Easter

Reporter

C: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

---------- Forwarded message ---------
From: **Sam Easter** < Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) >
Date: Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 11:43 AM
Subject: VICE Freelancer on PFAS
To: <jones.enesta@epa.gov>

Hi Enesta,

My name is Sam Easter, and I'm a Michigan-based freelancer writing about PFAS chemicals for VICE. It's nice to meet you!

I wanted to reach out to you to hear more about what the EPA has been doing to evaluate and address PFAS chemicals in drinking water. I don't know if you're available to speak on the phone this afternoon or tomorrow morning?

I'm a little fuzzy on some of the regulatory framework that's currently in place, so I'd love to hear both a brief history of how we've tackled the issue and where we're headed in months ahead. I also wanted to ask EPA some questions raised by critics of its handling of the issue.

If you have a moment for me, I can be reached on my cell phone at Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) Thanks for your time!

Sam Easter

Reporter

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From: Fuld, John [Fuld.John@epa.gov]
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Subject: OPA FINAL RE: IMEDIA INQUIRY - Official Now - 404 permitting program

OPA Final:

For attribution to "an EPA spokesperson:"

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Subject: FW: IMEDIA INQUIRY - Official Now - 404 permitting program

Here you go.

Have Florida officials sent a draft Memorandum of Agreement to EPA regarding their wanting to assume the permitting program.

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Has EPA taken a position on Florida wanting to assume the 404 permitting program?

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Fuld, John
Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2018 12:15 PM
To: Bravo, Antonio <Bravo.Antonio@epa.gov>
Subject: IMEDIA INQUIRY - LOOK AT THIS

Antonio,

This inquiry is coming straight from John K. – UNOFFICAL as of now it is at OPA for disposition, BUT no messing around with this one can you answer just so we are ready?

I'm writing a story about Florida officials wanting to assume the 404 permitting program from the Corps. My understanding is that they have even sent a draft Memorandum of Agreement to the Corps and the EPA. I'd like to confirm that if I can, and also ask if the EPA has taken a position on this. I think this would be the third state to assume the 404 program permitting, and certainly the one with the most wetlands.

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Mom And Pop Sewage Business Disgusts Neighbors, Violates Regulations

Source: Water Online
By: Sarah Jerome

Sewage is not a cottage industry and it should be left to experts. At least, that's the critique neighbors are making of a sewage business operating out of two private homes in Albuquerque, NM.

"It's unimaginable. It's horrible. It's nauseating. Everyone in the house gets sick," said a neighbor who asked to remain anonymous.

The U.S. EPA's SepticSmart Week ran from September 18 to September 22. The week was devoted to raising awareness among wastewater pros, local officials, and homeowners about effective septic systems.

"Each year, EPA holds SepticSmart Week with outreach activities to encourage homeowners and communities to care for and maintain their septic systems," according to a flyer.

One private business in New Mexico is an example of how to be anything but smart about septic pumping.

KRQE reporters visited the property. They found two large septic trucks in the backyard and a sign that read "septic pump starting at $179.99."

For neighbors, the stench is often unbearable.

"We think they're pumping the sewage back into the city's sewage system," one neighbor said.

Operating a private sewage business like this breaks various city rules, including permitting requirements.

In addition, the business appears to violate water utility codes in the area, per the report:

According to the Albuquerque Water Utility Authority code, you must dispose sewage at an "approved facility," and disposing at an "unauthorized site is illegal, and can result in civil fines and possible criminal penalties." There is no online record of "Discount Pumping" in Albuquerque or surrounding areas.

Local officials are looking into the operation.

The Albuquerque Water Utility Authority maintains a system "of some 2,400 miles of sewer line that carry wastewater from homes and businesses to the community's Southside Water Reclamation Plant for treatment prior to release into the Rio Grande."

U.S., Mexico on Verge of New Colorado River Water Pact

Source: Bloomberg BNA

By: Tripp Baltz

An agreement amending the longstanding treaty between the U.S. and Mexico on management of the Colorado River will continue the practice of water shortage sharing, but also fund new conservation and environmental programs, and aim to reduce the risk of ruinous drought.

The two nations are tentatively scheduled to execute the agreement—Minute 323, an amendment to a 1944 water treaty—on Sept. 26 in Mexico's Ciudad Juarez. Minute 323 will govern water flows in the Colorado River and other water management issues by extending an existing binational agreement, Minute 319, which was set to expire at the end of 2017.

The deal shows how both countries consider water important enough to set it apart from tensions that have flared during President Donald Trump's administration over immigration and building a border wall, Stephen Mumme, professor of political science at Colorado State University, told Bloomberg BNA Sept. 22.

Both sides were interested in continuing Minute 319, which describes the operation of the river system as a partnership between the two countries. The newly negotiated Minute 323 specifically defines reservoir management strategies so Mexico shares in river shortages and surpluses through 2026.

Conservation Funding

In return, Minute 323 will authorize $31.5 million in U.S. funding—slightly more than half of it from the Bureau of Reclamation—for pilot water programs in Mexico that would generate some 229,100 acre-feet of conservation. About 70,000 acre-feet of the conserved amount is designated for environmental purposes in Mexico, about 50,000 acre-feet will benefit the Colorado River system, and 27,275 acre-feet each will be assigned to four U.S. partner agencies.

The average U.S. household uses about one-half an acre foot of water per year.

The agreement also will allow Mexico to continue to store water in Lake Mead, the storage reservoir for the three Lower Colorado River Basin states of Arizona, California and Nevada, according to the Imperial Irrigation District, one of the four domestic water districts involved in the negotiations.

It also will provide for a potentially larger drought response partnership with water users through the Colorado River basin states drought contingency plan and Mexico's binational water scarcity contingency plan, the district said.

Conservation, Environmental Programs

Additional components of the deal include binational cooperative conservation projects, environmental programs, salinity management efforts and the opportunity for additional conservation and desalination projects in Mexico, the district said.

The two national governments are expected to make the signed agreement public Sept. 27. Until then an embargo by the State Department precludes the U.S. Section of the International Boundary and Water Commission from providing additional details, Lori Kuczmanski, spokeswoman for the section, told Bloomberg BNA.

She said the commission, the agency that applies the boundary and water treaties of the U.S. and Mexico and settles disputes that arise in their application, was working to get all domestic approvals signed. “We're very, very close,” she said.

U.S. Partner Agencies

In addition to the Imperial Irrigation District, the three other partnering U.S. water agencies are the Southern Nevada Water Authority, the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, and the Central Arizona Water Conservation District. The IID Board approved its domestic agreements to Minute 323 Sept. 12.

The Colorado River Board of California adopted a resolution Sept. 13 affirming the primary elements of Minute 323 and acknowledging the need for continued board participation in its implementation.

EPA awards $14.7M for Vermont water infrastructure projects
Source: The Sacramento Bee
By: The AP

The state of Vermont is getting $14.7 million from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to help finance improvements to water infrastructure projects across the state.

The EPA says the funds will primarily be used to upgrade sewage plants and drinking water systems. The money also will be used to help replace aging infrastructure throughout the state.

The Clean Water State Revolving Fund received $6.5 million that will be used for low-interest loans for water quality protection projects to make improvements to wastewater treatment systems, control pollution from stormwater runoff, and protect sensitive water bodies.

The Drinking Water State Revolving Fund will receive $8.2 million for projects in small and disadvantaged communities that encourage source protection and oversight of system operations to ensure safe drinking water.

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Message

From: Dennis, Allison [Dennis.Allison@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/13/2018 5:33:50 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: e-copies of your Oil and Gas Roundtable Materials
Attachments: FW: UIC Materials for Lee; RE: Roundtable Question for Lee; OW Background for Oil and Gas Roundtable.docx; Final Lee Talking Points for Oil and Gas Roundtable.docx

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From: Dennis, Allison
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 2:09 PM
To: Mayer, Lauren <mayer.lauren@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: e-copies of your Oil and Gas Roundtable Materials

Can you save Lee's Oil and Gas Tps in the speeches section of our sp site when you have a second? -Allison

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From: Dennis, Allison
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 2:08 PM
To: Forsgren, Lee <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov>
Cc: Penman, Crystal <Penman.Crystal@epa.gov>; Campbell, Ann <Campbell.Ann@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Subject: e-copies of your Oil and Gas Roundtable Materials

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Message

From: Fuld, John [Fuld.John@epa.gov]
Sent: 11/30/2017 2:26:24 PM
To: Lynn, Tricia [lynn.tricia@epa.gov]
CC: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: MEDIA INQUIRY - E&P Water Management Techbook. Water management in oil & gas industry. DDL: 12/11/17

I will ask ....

From: Lynn, Tricia
Sent: Thursday, November 30, 2017 9:26 AM
To: Fuld, John <Fuld.John@epa.gov>
Cc: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: MEDIA INQUIRY - E&P Water Management Techbook. Water management in oil & gas industry. DDL: 12/11/17

Can we use the expert responding?

From: Fuld, John
Sent: Thursday, November 30, 2017 9:20 AM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Cc: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: MEDIA INQUIRY - E&P Water Management Techbook. Water management in oil & gas industry. DDL: 12/11/17

Well I used the date you sent me of the 11th 9 am

Attribution will be the EPA or You .... ☺

From: Lynn, Tricia
Sent: Thursday, November 30, 2017 9:18 AM
To: Fuld, John <Fuld.John@epa.gov>
Cc: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: MEDIA INQUIRY - E&P Water Management Techbook. Water management in oil & gas industry. DDL: 12/11/17

Thanks.

Since we're not giving her an interview, she's made a few requests....

- Can the person responding respond in a conversational way, letting his/her personality show through?
- Can she have a name & title for attribution?
- Can we tell her when we'll be able to respond? (I'm sensing that she'd like the responses sooner since we're not doing an interview.

Thanks again!

From: Fuld, John
Sent: Thursday, November 30, 2017 8:47 AM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>

Cc: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: MEDIA INQUIRY - E&P Water Management Techbook. Water management in oil & gas industry. DDL: 12/11/17

Ok checked with program ...WE can answer these in written form

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From: Lynn, Tricia
Sent: Wednesday, November 29, 2017 5:09 PM
To: Fuld, John <Fuld.John@epa.gov>
Cc: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Subject: MEDIA INQUIRY - E&P Water Management Techbook. Water management in oil & gas industry. DDL: 12/11/17

Deadline: 12/11/17
Outlet: E&P Water Management Techbook
Reporter: Jennifer Pallanich
jennifer@pairtreeink.com

I'm not sure if this is for you or for someone else or both. If it's for OW, reporter is asking for an interview. How would you like to proceed?

Context:
I'm freelancing a story package on water management for the oil & gas industry (onshore/offshore) for the E&P Water Management Techbook (find the most recent one here: www.epmag.com/epm-supplements). I've been assigned the best practices feature, and one of the topics they want covered is working with regulators/regulations regarding recycling, reuse, and safe disposal when reuse and recycle aren't options.

I checked with Karla Marshall over in the BSEE press office, and she referred me to the EPA press office. Can we arrange a phone interview with one of your experts on the topic, about 30-45 minutes later this week or the week after? I'll be happy to send questions in advance.

Reporter Questions:

- Why is water management so important, and what does EPA consider best practices?
- What are the basic issues surrounding water management in the oil and gas industry? (Different ones for recycling vs reuse vs disposal? If so, please discuss.)
- How have these issues evolved/changed over the years? Where does the EPA believe this is going, and how is EPA planning to address that?
- What would water management look like in an ideal world? What will it take to get there? Are there any poster child projects in the oil and gas industry that you can discuss?
- What would an oilfield project manager or drilling engineer want to know about the topic of water management, its best practices, etc?
- Anything your expert would like to discuss.
- Anything else that comes up in the interview.

Message

From: Deegan, Dave [Deegan.Dave@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/14/2017 7:11:18 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
CC: Gutro, Doug [Gutro.Doug@epa.gov]; Bender, Emily [Bender.Emily@epa.gov]; Deegan, Dave [Deegan.Dave@epa.gov]
Subject: Region 1 WIFIA plan & draft PR
Attachments: WIFIA_R1Local_PR_07-14-17.docx

Hi Nancy,

I had some time so went ahead and drafted a more local proposed PR for WIFIA … we're glad to keep closer to the HQ draft if you prefer, but I wanted to float this in case it's helpful for John or others to see this approach.

Pitch Plan:

We'd recommend offering an early embargo story to Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Day of release we would also send the PR to our normal Maine lists, which include all other daily/weekly papers, radio and TV.

We'll suggest social media next week… I'm thinking you all may already be working on that so I'm hoping not to duplicate efforts.

Hope this is helpful,
Dave

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Message

From: Lieberman, Judy [Lieberman.Judy@epa.gov]
Sent: 6/14/2017 1:14:40 PM
To: Perez, Idalia [Perez.Idalia@epa.gov]; Stevens, Katherine [stevens.katherine@epa.gov]; Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: List of Air Division Directors

Thank you. This is just what we needed.

Best,

Judy Lieberman
Acting Special Assistant, Office of Radiation and Indoor Air
US Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW MC 6601T
Washington, DC 20460
202-564-8638

From: Perez, Idalia
Sent: Tuesday, June 13, 2017 2:13 PM
To: Stevens, Katherine <stevens.katherine@epa.gov>; Lieberman, Judy <Lieberman.Judy@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: List of Air Division Directors

Are you asking for an email list or a list of them? The email list which I manage, and goes both to the DDs and their deputies, is: Air_Division_Directors_and_Deputies@epa.gov. Only on very close hold things (e.g. budget) do I email only the DDs.

This is the table I keep with their contact info:

2017 Update	1 Boston	2 New York	3 Philadelphia	4 Atlanta	5 Chicago	6 Dallas	7 Kansas City	8 Denver	9 San Francisco	10 Seattle
Air Division Director	Dave Conroy 617-918-1661	John Filippelli 212-637-3736	Cristina Fernandez 215-814-2178	Beverly Banister 404-562-9326	Ed Nam 312-353-2192	Wren Stenger 214-665-6583	Rebecca Weber 913-551-7487	Martin Hestmark 303-312-6776 Monica	Elizabeth Adams (acting) 415-972-3183	Tim Hamlin 206-553-1563

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Our mission is to protect human health and the environment.

From: Stevens, Katherine
Sent: Tuesday, June 13, 2017 11:06 AM
To: Lieberman, Judy <Lieberman.Judy@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Perez, Idalia

<Perez.Idalia@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: List of Air Division Directors

+ Idalia Perez

Do you have a list of these, Idalia?
Thanks,
K

Kati Stevens
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Please consider the environment before printing this e-mail

From: Lieberman, Judy
Sent: Tuesday, June 13, 2017 2:00 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Stevens, Katherine <stevens.katherine@epa.gov>
Subject: List of Air Division Directors

Hi Andrea/Katherine, Please can you forward me a list of current Air Division Directors (or Acting ADDs)? We need to make sure we have a most recent list.

Thank you so much!

Best,

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Message

From: Fuld, John [Fuld.John@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/14/2017 6:47:21 PM
To: Lalley, Cara [Lalley.Cara@epa.gov]
CC: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: For Review: (7/14)

Final From OPA: News 21 Arizona (Lauren Kaljur) RE: Water quality on tribal lands

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From: Lynn, Tricia
Sent: Friday, July 14, 2017 2:45 PM
To: Fuld, John <Fuld.John@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: For Review: News 21 Arizona (Lauren Kaljur) RE: Water quality on tribal lands (7/14)

FYI, final response.

From: Lynn, Tricia
Sent: Friday, July 14, 2017 2:01 PM
To: 'Lauren Kaljur' <lauren.kaljur@news21.com>
Subject: FW: For Review: News 21 Arizona (Lauren Kaljur) RE: Water quality on tribal lands (7/14)

Lauren—

For attribution to "an EPA spokesperson:"

EPA has never finalized a national rule to establish federal water quality standards under the Clean Water Act for waters on tribal lands. In 2001, EPA contemplated one form of such a rule (a "core standards" rule) but it was never finalized.

Although not a national rule, in 1989 EPA established federal water quality standards specifically for the waters of the Coleville Reservation (located in the state of Washington) at the tribe's request. Those standards are still in place today. See: https://www.epa.gov/wqs-tech/water-quality-standards-regulations-confederated-tribes-colville-reservation. No other such tribal-specific federal standards have been established since then.

Note that in 1991, EPA established procedures for interested, eligible tribes to obtain authority to adopt their own water quality standards under the Clean Water Act (56 FR 64893, December 12, 1991). To date, 54 tribes have demonstrated eligibility for this authority, of which 42 have EPA-approved tribal water quality standards in place. See: https://www.epa.gov/wqs-tech/epa-approvals-tribal-water-quality-standards-and-contacts.

In 2016, EPA issued a public notice to take comment on whether EPA should start developing a national "baseline water quality standards" rule to narrow a long-standing gap in coverage of Clean Water Act protections, and if so, what those standards should be. (Fewer than 50 of over 300 tribes with reservations have water quality standards effective under the Clean Water Act.) Such a rule, if proposed and finalized, would establish federal baseline water quality standards for Indian reservation waters that do not yet have standards under the Act. See: https://www.epa.gov/wqs-tech/advance-notice-proposed-rulemaking-federal-baseline-water-quality-standards-indian

Since 1987, EPA has provided technical assistance and funding under Clean Water Act Section 106 to assist eligible tribes and intertribal consortia to develop and implement programs to understand, assess, preserve, and restore water resources on tribal lands. Among the activities that tribes conduct includes developing and implementing comprehensive water quality monitoring programs and assessing the quality of their waters.

Many federally recognized tribes conduct water quality monitoring of their waters. EPA provides technical assistance and funding to tribes under the CWA Section 319 to address nonpoint sources of pollution, such as agricultural runoff. These programs are designed to control, prevent, and eliminate water pollution as well as to educate tribal members and the general public water quality.

Information on tribal 106:
https://www.epa.gov/water-pollution-control-section-106-grants/tribal-grants-under-section-106-clean-water-act
Tribal 319 program
https://www.epa.gov/nps/tribal-319-grant-program

Best,

Tricia

Tricia Lynn
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U.S. EPA
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From: Lauren Kaljur [mailto:lauren.kaljur@news21.com]
Sent: Monday, July 10, 2017 2:49 PM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: water tribal lands

Hi Tricia,

1-Our hard deadline is the end of the week.

2-My specific questions are whether or not the EPA had any rules about baseline water quality standards under CWA before this on waters on tribal lands?
What was the purpose of the new rule?
We have been to a few places with concerns over contamination of rivers on reservations due to farming. Are rivers normally monitored on tribal lands and if so by whom?

3-The story we are working on is about water contamination on tribal lands. We are a non profit media organization conducting national research based out of the Walter Cronkite school of journalism at ASU, called News 21.

Thank you,

Message

From: Dennis, Allison [Dennis.Allison@epa.gov]
Sent: 9/5/2018 3:59:19 PM
To: Wildeman, Anna [wildeman.anna@epa.gov]
CC: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: For your review: Updated Water SubCab Comms Materials

Many thanks for these helpful edits!

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 3, 2018, at 11:10 AM, Wildeman, Anna <wildeman.anna@epa.gov> wrote:

> Allison, some redlines for your consideration. There isn't a doc for the website mock up but any changes in language we make to these should also be reflected on the website mockup. Also we should make sure Dave is aware of/comfortable with the website concept generally.
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> **From:** Dennis, Allison
> **Sent:** Friday, August 31, 2018 12:55 PM
> **To:** Wildeman, Anna <wildeman.anna@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** Rose, Bob <Rose.Bob@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** For your review: Updated Water SubCab Comms Materials
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> Walking down hard copies now. These reflect the updated press strategy (mtg will be closed to press). We will issue a media advisory for the 9/17 12:30 pm press call at 9 am the morning of.
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> -rollout plan
> -media advisory for press call
> -press release
> -press call run of show
> -webpage (I provided you a hard copy only; note: we ditched the fact sheet)
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> Allison Dennis
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Message

From: Hough, Palmer [Hough.Palmer@epa.gov]
Sent: 1/22/2018 6:10:13 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: draft FRN regarding BB for your review (Close-Hold, please do not forward, share, or discuss outside this group)

Working on it now

From: Drinkard, Andrea
Sent: Monday, January 22, 2018 12:09 PM
To: Hough, Palmer <Hough.Palmer@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: draft FRN regarding BB for your review (Close-Hold, please do not forward, share, or discuss outside this group)

Hey there! Good work on the draft FRN. Any chance you have a minute or two to take a look at this very draft press release? After you've had a chance to take a look, I'll share with a larger group. Just wanted to make sure I was on the right track first. Thanks.

From: Hough, Palmer
Sent: Friday, January 19, 2018 7:30 PM
To: Goodin, John <Goodin.John@epa.gov>; Eisenberg, Mindy <Eisenberg.Mindy@epa.gov>; Libertz, Catherine <Libertz.Catherine@epa.gov>; Kaiser, Russell <Kaiser.Russell@epa.gov>; Neugeboren, Steven <Neugeboren.Steven@epa.gov>; Allnutt, David <Allnutt.David@epa.gov>; Stern, Allyn <Stern.Allyn@epa.gov>; Holsman, Marianne <Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov>; Murphy, Stacy <Murphy.Stacy@epa.gov>; Fordham, Tami <Fordham.Tami@epa.gov>; Szerlog, Michael <Szerlog.Michael@epa.gov>
Cc: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Skadowski, Suzanne <Skadowski.Suzanne@epa.gov>; Gude, Karen <Gude.Karen@epa.gov>; Bennett, Brittany <bennett.brittany@epa.gov>; Palomaki, Ashley <Palomaki.Ashley@epa.gov>; Wehling, Carrie <Wehling.Carrie@epa.gov>; Nalven, Heidi <Nalven.Heidi@epa.gov>; Peterson, Erik <Peterson.Erik@epa.gov>; Steiner-Riley, Cara <Steiner-Riley.Cara@epa.gov>; Ortiz, Michael <Ortiz.Michael@epa.gov>; Lindsay, Andrea <Lindsay.Andrea@epa.gov>; Whitley, Annie <Whitley.Annie@epa.gov>; Shoemake, Neverley <shoemake.neverley@epa.gov>; Herbst, John <herbst.john@epa.gov>
Subject: draft FRN regarding BB for your review (Close-Hold, please do not forward, share, or discuss outside this group)
Importance: High

Folks:

Attached for your review is a draft FRN for a decision **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)** it's 13 pages, double-spaced. This draft reflects input from the team of staff working on **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)** particular thanks to Ashley, Heidi, Carrie, and Brittany for all of their work on this.

If we plan to provide a revised draft of this to senior management by COB Monday, then we would need to have any edits from you by noon ET Monday.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks, Palmer

Palmer Hough, Environmental Scientist
office: 202.566.1374

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Message

From: Mclain, Jennifer [Mclain.Jennifer@epa.gov]
Sent: 8/24/2017 8:41:04 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]; Wadlington, Christina [Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Important Update to Social Media Policy

Importance: High

From: Boutureira, Alan
Sent: Thursday, August 24, 2017 2:12 PM
Cc: OCSPP ISO <OCSPP_ISO@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Important Update to Social Media Policy
Importance: High

(Sent BCC to OCSPP ALL)

Dear OCSPP Colleagues,

Several users have inquired about the legitimacy of the email below, **the email is NOT legitimate**.
Please forward the email to SPAM@epa.gov and place it in your Junk folder.

Best regards,

Alan Boutureira
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From: Page, Jordan
Sent: Thursday, August 24, 2017 1:42 PM
To: SPAM <SPAM@epa.gov>
Cc: Boutureira, Alan <Boutureira.Alan@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Important Update to Social Media Policy

From: Human Resources [mailto:HumanResources@mail.webproxysecurity.com]
Sent: Thursday, August 24, 2017 10:58 AM
To: LastName, FirstName <LastName.FirstName@epa.gov>
Subject: Important Update to Social Media Policy

Agency leadership has decided to institute new social media policies. Due to recent events in the news we are going to start blocking many of the popular social media sites for employees who do not need them for justified, business purposes.

We need your help to determine if you utilize social media and how you feel about this policy change. We have created a portal page on our internal network to get each employee's usage of social media so we can determine which policy should be applied to your workstation. Please visit the Portal Page and complete this survey.

Your participation is mandatory and this survey must be completed in the next five business days so we can compile results before the default block policy is applied.

Thank you,
Office of Human Resources

Message

From: Szerlog, Michael [Szerlog.Michael@epa.gov]
Sent: 1/22/2018 4:28:12 PM
To: Goodin, John [Goodin.John@epa.gov]; Eisenberg, Mindy [Eisenberg.Mindy@epa.gov]; Allnutt, David [Allnutt.David@epa.gov]; Hough, Palmer [Hough.Palmer@epa.gov]; Libertz, Catherine [Libertz.Catherine@epa.gov]; Kaiser, Russell [Kaiser.Russell@epa.gov]; Neugeboren, Steven [Neugeboren.Steven@epa.gov]; Stern, Allyn [Stern.Allyn@epa.gov]; Holsman, Marianne [Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov]; Murphy, Stacy [Murphy.Stacy@epa.gov]; Fordham, Tami [Fordham.Tami@epa.gov]
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Subject: RE: draft FRN regarding BB for your review (Close-Hold, please do not forward, share, or discuss outside this group)

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Szerlog, Michael has shared a OneDrive for Business file with you. To view it, click the link below.

steve comments on BB FRN **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

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Great work team. I concur.

I provided some suggestion on Page 9.

Thanks
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From: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
Sent: 10/12/2017 10:19:06 AM
To: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: Fwd: Alaska Public Radio Q re Bristol Bay hearings — EPA response

Need to edit - will call

Sent from my iPhone

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> **Date:** October 11, 2017 at 8:29:16 PM EDT
> **To:** "Grantham, Nancy" <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>, "Drinkard, Andrea" <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>, "Dennis, Allison" <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** "Holsman, Marianne" <Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov>
> **Subject: Alaska Public Radio Q re Bristol Bay hearings — EPA response**
>
> Hello:
>
> Can you please check and let me know if it would be ok for local radio reporter to use my "background" explanation re the hearings location? See emails below. This reporter is attending the Thurs. public hearing in Iliamna. I think it should be ok to use the info, it's just a simple explanation of our decision. Reporter would attribute to EPA, not to me.
>
> Thank you!
> Suzanne
>
> Suzanne Skadowski
> U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
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> 206-553-2160 Office
> Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) Mobile
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> > **From:** Elizabeth Harball <eharball@alaskapublic.org>
> > **Date:** October 11, 2017 at 4:47:51 PM PDT
> > **To:** "Skadowski, Suzanne" <Skadowski.Suzanne@epa.gov>
> > **Subject: Re: Attending Iliamna hearing**
> >
> > Hi Suzanne -
> >
> > Can I attribute any of the emailed statement to EPA, not to you by name? We are going to be doing a two-way interview between me and our station host on this, and she really wants to ask why EPA is not having a hearing in Anchorage.

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On Tue, Oct 10, 2017 at 12:18 PM, Skadowski, Suzanne <Skadowski.Suzanne@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Elizabeth,

My response based on my understanding of our planning, for your info/background only, not for attribution:

During EPA's consultation and coordination on the proposed withdrawal with tribes in the Bristol Bay region, some of the tribes asked EPA leadership to come visit their communities in the watershed to listen and talk about this issue. EPA agreed to make an effort to visit and meet with tribes in person, and decided to also hold public meetings in those communities in the watershed. A public meeting in Anchorage might have also been considered, but in the end, EPA determined that with limited time and travel challenges, that holding public meetings in the watershed were a priority. We would probably also point out that the 90-day public comment and tribal consultation period also allows an opportunity for stakeholders in and outside of the watershed and in and outside of Alaska to submit their feedback on the proposed withdrawal.

I hope this is helpful.

Thanks,

Suzanne

From: Elizabeth Harball [mailto:eharball@alaskapublic.org]
Sent: Tuesday, October 10, 2017 1:05 PM
To: Skadowski, Suzanne <Skadowski.Suzanne@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Attending Iliamna hearing

Great, thank you!

I do have a question for now -- why is EPA not holding a hearing in Anchorage or another more accessible city for many in Alaska? I understand why you're having hearings in the places you are, of course, but as this is an issue of statewide interest I'm curious why this decision was made.

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On Tue, Oct 10, 2017 at 5:52 AM, Skadowski, Suzanne <Skadowski.Suzanne@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Elizabeth,

That's good to hear, thank you for letting me know.

I've alerted our public affairs director, Marianne Holsman, who will be staffing the hearings, to look for you in Iliamna.

Please let me know if you have questions or need info follow-up later.

Thanks,

Suzanne

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Sent: Monday, October 9, 2017 5:25 PM
To: Skadowski, Suzanne <Skadowski.Suzanne@epa.gov>
Subject: Attending Iliamna hearing

Hi Suzanne -

Just letting you know that I got lucky and got approval to go to Iliamna this Thursday for the Pebble hearing.

Thanks!

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Sent: 10/11/2017 3:16:28 PM
To: Dennis, Allison [Dennis.Allison@epa.gov]; Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: head's up: NAPA Report to Congress on Affordability

Thanks…no edits from our folks on the statement.

From: Dennis, Allison
Sent: Wednesday, October 11, 2017 10:01 AM
To: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Senn, John <Senn.John@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: head's up: NAPA Report to Congress on Affordability

Hi John,

Here's the final report. Please keep this close hold. NAPA is still carrying out their congressional briefings before they make this pubic which could be anytime between this week and the end of the month. We will get a head's up from them when they are close to releasing it.

Did your team have any edits or concerns with our holding statement?

From: Drinkard, Andrea
Sent: Tuesday, October 10, 2017 4:25 PM
To: Senn, John <Senn.John@epa.gov>
Cc: Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: head's up: NAPA Report to Congress on Affordability

I agree. I'm adding Allison back in so she can make sure you get the URL as soon as it's live.

From: Senn, John
Sent: Tuesday, October 10, 2017 4:21 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
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No sure—she didn't give me any sort of guidance…I guess its fine to wait for the public-facing version.

From: Drinkard, Andrea
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To: Senn, John <Senn.John@epa.gov>
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I think I can share it internally, but I don't think we can share it externally. How would you like to proceed?

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No idea.

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A few external people?

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I guess in advance if it's available—I think Susan wants to share a link with a few people.

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To: Senn, John <Senn.John@epa.gov>
Cc: Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: head's up: NAPA Report to Congress on Affordability

Do you want to see it in advance or just after it is publicly available?

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 10, 2017, at 3:06 PM, Senn, John <Senn.John@epa.gov> wrote:

> any idea when this may get posted to the web? Some of our folks would like to see the e-version...thanks!
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> **From:** Dennis, Allison
> **Sent:** Wednesday, October 4, 2017 3:10 PM
> **To:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Richardson, RobinH <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Senn, John <Senn.John@epa.gov>
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>
> All,
>
> The National Academy of Public Administrators (NAPA) will soon be issuing a report to Congress on the topic of affordability. As background, Congress directed EPA in the FY16 Approps to use NAPA to conduct an independent study to create a definition and framework for 'community affordability and to consider how different localities can effectively fund municipal projects.
>
> We've (OW + OECA) provided NAPA with extensive feedback on the report and generally appreciate their thoughtful recommendations.
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-Allison

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Subject: RE: WOTUS--All in one place

Thanks Andrea,

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Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) Here is the final press release and comms plan for awareness. I have no additional comments on the web from either me or from OPA, so we're good to go there. We should get everything teed up in drupal so that we can post the site as soon as we get the greenlight from OPA.

I'll keep you posted as I know more and please let me know if anyone needs anything from me.

Thanks!

-Andrea-

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Subject: RE: WOTUS--All in one place

Ann,

We need to get this right so the program office should do what they need to do but again there is no higher priority in the entire agency. We will go ahead with the comms work and have all of that ready ASAP.

Lee

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For awareness purposes for everyone, I received an email from the program office that they need a little time with the FRN before it gets signed for cleanup purposes/formatting for the Fed Reg.

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-Andrea-

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Message

From: Schollhamer, Mary [Schollhamer.Mary@epa.gov]
Sent: 4/2/2018 3:09:30 PM
To: Bennett, Tate [Bennett.Tate@epa.gov]
CC: Forsgren, Lee [Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov]; Kundinger, Kelly [kundinger.kelly@epa.gov]; Hupp, Millan [hupp.millan@epa.gov]; Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Administrator's Trip Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Thank you! We'll follow-up with our IO as it's closer.

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Office of Wastewater Management: Solutions for Clean Water

From: Bennett, Tate
Sent: Friday, March 30, 2018 2:27 PM
To: Schollhamer, Mary <Schollhamer.Mary@epa.gov>
Cc: Forsgren, Lee <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov>; Kundinger, Kelly <kundinger.kelly@epa.gov>; Hupp, Millan <hupp.millan@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Administrator's Trip Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Hi Mary!

Thanks for reaching out to scheduling and advance. We are actually keeping a close hold on the Admin's calendar at this time. In full disclosure, we don't have a location picked out yet as I'm working with Lee Forsgren to finalize one on this coming Monday. I'm sure Lee can bring you up to speed as appropriate then.

Thanks.

Tate
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From: Schollhamer, Mary
Sent: Thursday, March 29, 2018 4:48 PM
To: Kundinger, Kelly <kundinger.kelly@epa.gov>
Subject: Administrator's Trip Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Hi Kelly,

I heard the Administrator will be Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) My office covers the SRF and WIFIA programs. Do you know when he'll be visiting there? It'd be helpful to know so we can prepare.

Thank you!

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Message

From: Skadowski, Suzanne [Skadowski.Suzanne@epa.gov]
Sent: 11/20/2017 8:54:37 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]; Dennis, Allison [Dennis.Allison@epa.gov]
CC: Holsman, Marianne [Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Yukon River ARNI letter -- E&E News inquiry
Attachments: EE News media inquiry draft R10 response 11-20.docx

Hi Nancy,

Media inquiry and issues summary is attached for Liz.

Thanks,
Suzanne

MEDIA INQUIRY

PRESS OFFICER: Suzanne Skadowski, 206-553-2160

DATE RECEIVED: 11/6

OUTLET: E&E News

REPORTER: Ariel Wittenberg, 202-737-4557, awittenberg@eenews.net

TOPIC: EPA review of Alaska Gasline Development Corp. (AGDC), Clean Water Act Section 404 permit applications to Corps of Engineers Alaska District, for Alaska Standalone Pipeline (ASAP) and Alaska Liquid Natural Gas (LNG) projects. EPA's designation of Yukon River basin as "Aquatic Resource of National Importance (ARNI)." E&E News and Alaska media have been tracking this story: Alaska Journal: EPA designation of Yukon River complicates gasline plans, Petroleum News: AGDC aims at year end. Note: Alaska Commerce Department Commissioner Chris Hladick was appointed to be EPA Region 10 Regional Administrator, starting Dec. 4. Hladick previously served on the AGDC board of directors.

REPORTER'S DEADLINE: 11/13

QUESTIONS: See below. Reporter has copy of R10 Aug. 2017 CWA 404q 3(a) ARNI letter re ASAP and 1992 EPA-Corps CWA 404q MOU. Reporter also submitted FOIA re EPA communications re 3(a) letter.

PROPOSED ACTION/OUTCOME: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

STATUS: OPEN

E&E News Q #1: How common are ARNI letters?

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E&E News Q #2: What other projects in Alaska has EPA sent ARNI letters on since 2008?

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Message

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Sent: 7/27/2017 11:28:30 AM
To: Shapiro, Mike [Shapiro.Mike@epa.gov]; Forsgren, Lee [Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov]; Best-Wong, Benita [Best-Wong.Benita@epa.gov]; Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Update on PFCs in the Security, Widefield, and Fountain area.

FYI!

From: Garcia, Bert
Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 6:35 PM
To: Grevatt, Peter <Grevatt.Peter@epa.gov>; Southerland, Elizabeth <Southerland.Elizabeth@epa.gov>
Cc: O'Connor, Darcy <oconnor.darcy@epa.gov>
Subject: Update on PFCs in the Security, Widefield, and Fountain area.

Peter and Betsy,

OLEM has taken an active role in Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) so you might hear from them about this. Here's our update. Let me know if you have any questions.

Update on PFCs in the Security, Widefield, and Fountain area.

Key Message: Region 8 staff attended a series of three meetings on Tuesday, July 25, where the Air Force presented the findings of their site inspection report on PFC contamination of groundwater and soil on the Peterson Air Force Base. Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE), El Paso County Public Health, Security Water and Sanitation District, and Fountain Water District were also present at the meetings.

- The first meeting was with local civic leaders, including the mayor of Fountain, El Paso County Commissioners, utility boards for the local water districts, several state senators, and staffers from U.S. Congressional offices. The second meeting was a media event, attended by the Denver Post, Colorado Springs Gazette, and several local TV and smaller newspaper outlets. All questions at the first and second meetings were directed toward the Air Force.
- The third meeting was the open house style forum where members of the public could ask questions of each individual agency. Approximately 150-200 people attended. EPA was able to answer many questions about the health advisories for PFOS and PFOA, whether EPA will regulate these chemicals in drinking water, and EPA's role.
- Some people voiced concerns that the EPA wasn't doing more to help remediate contamination or pay for water treatment. Several others thanked the EPA for being engaged and the work we have done to date.
- The Air Force presented that the site inspection report confirms that they are one possible source of PFC contamination in the Widefield Aquifer. As next steps, they plan to conduct a phase 2 site investigation starting this fall (with report mid-2018), and begin remedial work in 2019.
- OLEM staff reached out to Region 8 about the Air Force report; OLEM and Region 8 are concerned that Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
- OLEM and Region 8 called CDPHE on Wed. July 26 to get their perspective on the Air Force response and how EPA can help. The state believes it Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
- The EPA is proposing that Headquarters Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
- Contacts: Sarah Bahrman, 312-6243; Lisa McClain-Vanderpool, 312-6077, Victor Ketellapper, 312-6578.

Bert Garcia
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Message

From: Erickson, Amber [Erickson.Amber@epa.gov]
Sent: 1/18/2018 3:49:41 PM
To: Best-Wong, Benita [Best-Wong.Benita@epa.gov]; OW Deputy Office Directors [OWDeputyOfficeDirectors@epa.gov]; OW Staff Directors [OW_Staff_Directors@epa.gov]; OW-IO Staff Directors [OW_IO_Staff_Directors@epamail.epa.gov]
Subject: 2016 Honor Awards & 2017 Heads Up
Attachments: Approved 2016 National Honor Awards-Atch1-OW.PDF; Approved 2016 National Honor Awards-Atch2-OW.PDF; Separately Paneled Descriptions.pdf; NHA Descriptions.pdf; 2014 OW Award Descriptions.pdf; National Honor and OW Awards 2016- FINAL.xlsx

Hello,

2016 Awards Cycle
The 2016 Honor Awards have been approved and signed by the Administrator. The attached Excel spreadsheet has the final list of winners for both the 2016 Agency and OW awards. I'm working on logistics for the awards ceremony and will keep you posted. Since we haven't yet recognized these folks, I'd still keep the information close hold.

Heads up for the 2017 cycle
We expect to receive guidance for the upcoming awards cycle in the next week or two. I know you all have been busy brainstorming nominations so I think we will be in good shape, and I will get a timeline out to you as soon as we get the guidance. I found out yesterday that everything is generally the same as last year, with the following exceptions: 1) What is meant by mission support staff will be better defined, and 2) the LEAN Government Improvement award will now be a team award. **MOST NOTABLY**, my understanding is that there will be a new awards form this year, and that written justifications will be limited to one-page narratives. There is an awards coordinator meeting scheduled for Feb 1 so I expect we will have more information at that point. I'm attaching last year's guidance as a reference. As a reminder, all nominations must be based on work that was completed by the end of the 2017 calendar year.

Amber Erickson | Senior Human Capital Analyst | Management & Operations Staff / Office of the Assistant Administrator / Office of Water / US EPA | 202.566.2984

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CC: Campbell, Ann [Campbell.Ann@epa.gov]; Goodin, John [Goodin.John@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: WOTUS--All in one place

Andrea,

Come up and I can give you the guidance that Ryan Jackson gave at the 8:00 am staff meeting.

Lee

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Subject: FYI -- Greenwire -- EPA staff aired concerns on Pebble announcement — emails

BRISTOL BAY

EPA staff aired concerns on Pebble announcement — emails

Dylan Brown and Kevin Bogardus, E&E News reporters

Published: Wednesday, February 28, 2018

An aerial view of the Pebble mine camp site in 2011. Jason Sear/Flickr

U.S. EPA announced a settlement that revived the Pebble mine in Alaska on a timeline requested by the company behind the controversial project, according to documents obtained by E&E News.

On May 12, 2017, just days after meeting with Pebble LP CEO Tom Collier, EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt unveiled a legal agreement to withdraw proposed restrictions on mining in Alaska's Bristol Bay.

Although Pruitt surprisingly reversed course earlier this month to put the Obama-era limits back in play, the settlement still prevents them from being finalized, keeping the pathway open for permit application Pebble has since submitted (Greenwire, Jan. 30).

Emails obtained by E&E News under the Freedom of Information Act reveal how Pruitt's staff crafted the settlement announcement — delaying it to help the mining company, scouring for leaks and spurning an interview request from a local Alaska public radio station because it was considered "liberal."

The documents included a list of redacted attachments and messages, including four emails between EPA press aides in the agency's Seattle office were sent on May 11, the day before the settlement was announced.

Robin Thurston. Just Security/New York University

Those emails' contents remain hidden but were sent under the subject line: "I have ethics concerns over timing of Pebble announcement."

The U.S. District Court for the District of Alaska was expecting a settlement from Pebble, EPA and the Department of Justice on May 11.

On May 10, Pebble attorney Ronald Tenpas left a voicemail with Justice attorney Robin Thurston.

Thurston subsequently sent an email to Justice and EPA colleagues saying the company "would prefer not to say anything publicly until after markets close."

Following up the next morning, Thurston wrote: Pebble "would prefer to make a public announcement regarding the settlement agreement before markets open tomorrow morning."

According to later emails, EPA agreed to go along with Pebble's communication plan.

The settlement was announced the next morning as Pebble requested.

In an email to E&E News, Pebble spokesman Mike Heatwole said, "Any time there is something deemed material to the market it is common, and best, practice to make announcements either after markets close or before they open to avoid affecting trading."

Crafting the announcement

Drafting the settlement press release took all day.

"This is big and the Alaska members need to know before it happens," Ryan Jackson, chief of staff at EPA, wrote early on May 11. "Justin [Schwab] get with [Office of Public Affairs]. We need talking points."

Ryan Jackson. U.S. EPA

Press officials in the Seattle-based Region 10 branch, which has jurisdiction over Alaska and worked closely for years on Pebble mine issues, had sent an initial draft to Washington on May 10.

On May 11, EPA press aides and lawyers, along with officials from the Justice Department, set to work coming up with a final version of the statement and worked to make sure it would square with the actual details in the settlement. Their edits are often redacted in documents given to E&E News under the FOIA exemption for an agency's deliberative process.

Some of that work received poor reviews.

"Original draft is embarrassing and a sad reflection on EPA," David Allnutt, director of EPA Region 10's Office of Environmental Review and Assessment, wrote when he looped in his fellow Region 10 staffers on what was going on in Washington. He called it "even laughable, in the sense that I actually laughed (albeit ruefully) when reading it."

Other worries percolated among the Seattle staff.

"I have ethics concerns over timing of Pebble announcement," Jeff Philip, who works in the Region 10 press office, wrote in an email subject line to Marianne Holsman, the public affairs director.

Justin Schwab. Schwab/LinkedIn

The underlying emails between the two were withheld completely under FOIA's exemption for attorney-client privilege. The subject line was also supposed to have been redacted for the same reason, but was accidentally exposed as part of the FOIA response.

E&E News discovered the "ethics concerns" in a hidden spreadsheet in an Excel document EPA sent. An EPA attorney asked that information be deleted since it was supposed to have been redacted, but E&E News declined that request and has since filed a FOIA appeal to obtain the emails in their entirety.

E&E News left a voicemail for Philip asking about his ethics worries. Soon after, EPA spokeswoman Nancy Grantham replied in an email but did not describe what Philip's concerns were or if they were resolved.

"Our focus throughout was on resolving this litigation and putting it behind the agency so we could focus on the proper administration of our duties in Alaska and across the nation," Grantham told E&E News.

Other EPA press officials referred to Grantham's statement when asked questions for this story.

An EPA spokeswoman later told E&E News the timing of the press release was cleared by the agency.

"Career ethics officials at the agency determined there was no ethical issue with regard to the release," said the spokeswoman.

Pro- and anti-Pebble mine stickers adorn a map of Bristol Bay in Alaska. Jason Sear/Flickr

Whether EPA even had a Pebble deal to announce remained tentative, according to the emails. At one point during the day before the announcement, J.P. Freire, then-EPA public affairs chief, told Holsman in Region 10 that it was all a "false alarm."

"[I]t doesn't look like there's any clarity on what's happening w/r/t settlement, extension, or whatever. We're in the same place we were on Monday," Freire wrote. "I've started working with legal all the same to make sure the language is appropriate and we can drop in that actual information on the settlement whenever that happens, whether it's this week or next. Please make sure your team is clear on not communicating anything on Pebble."

Troy Lyons. Lyons/LinkedIn

Notifying Hill staff

But Freire, who has since left EPA, was reaching out to the Justice Department to discuss how to notify congressional staffers.

"We believe your Hill notifications will be sufficient," DOJ Civil Division spokeswoman Nicole Navas replied.

EPA's congressional liaison, Troy Lyons, requested that staff "huddle" to make sure outreach was "done appropriately and timley [sic]."

Meanwhile, EPA Region 10 staffers had asked that certain stakeholders, including Alaska Native groups opposed to the Pebble mine, be given notice that a settlement was coming.

Attorneys from Justice and Pebble agreed to give a heads-up to the interested parties, provided that no details of the deal were shared, according to one email.

J.P. Freire. Freire/LinkedIn

But Region 10 spokeswoman Suzanne Skadowski followed up the day before the announcement with EPA officials in Washington to see if the regional staff could make the calls.

"Do not go at this time; please stand by," EPA spokeswoman Grantham responded.

In Washington, agency staff had already notified aides for the Alaska delegation, Republican Sens. Lisa Murkowski and Dan Sullivan and Rep. Don Young. A voicemail and email were also left with Alaska Gov. Bill Walker's (I) office.

Freire asked Lyons, the congressional liaison, "What materials did you use to discuss this? How in depth?"

The discussions were in person, Lyons said.

"Told them about the sensitivities around it and that it's a very close hold. Used materials sent this am," Lyons said. "Any issues w that?"

"Anything written get passed on?" Freire said. "Evaluating possibility of the details getting leaked."

"These guys won't say a word," Lyons said, "they know the sensitive and important it is, especially at their levels. All good with the senate."

Minutes later, Lyons asked: "Do you think there is a leak?"

"Not yet," Freire wrote.

The rest of Freire's message was redacted, as were Lyons' entire reply and several subsequent messages between the two EPA officials.

'NO WAY'

The night before the settlement was made public, EPA spokeswoman Liz Bowman sent the announcement to Washington Post reporter Juliet Eilperin, embargoed until 6:30 a.m. the following morning.

"No one else has this from the media," Freire told Eilperin. "We have instructed the regional office not to do outreach until once everything is finalized. Something could have slipped through, but don't think so."

A few hours after sending the email to Eilperin, Bowman sent the release to Judson Berger, senior politics editor at FoxNews.com, under the same embargo.

Suzanne Skadowski. Skadowski/LinkedIn

After some back-and-forth between Eilperin and EPA press officials the morning of the announcement, Eilperin and colleague Brady Dennis broke the story of EPA's Pebble decision on the Post's website.

"We are live," Freire said in an email with a link to the Post story.

Bowman emailed the press release to other reporters at 6:53 that morning, according to the time stamp in E&E News' inbox. Cathy Milbourn, another EPA press official, also sent out the release, complete with EPA's graphics header, at 8:11 a.m.

Shortly after EPA's Pebble decision began to pop up on news sites, it attracted attention — including from the Trump White House.

"Can we get some talkers on this?" White House deputy press secretary Raj Shah asked in an email that morning.

Region 10's request to give stakeholders advance notice was now moot.

"I see this is already in the Washington Post," Skadowski wrote in an email to Grantham. "Can you tell us when we can share this with stakeholders and when we can post the settlement to our Bristol Bay website?"

Grantham soon afterward gave her the go-ahead.

In addition to notifying 2,153 subscribers on their Bristol Bay group email list, Skadowski also sent the press release and settlement to various local reporters in Alaska, who had failed to get them despite being on the media contacts list Skadowski provided headquarters.

Skadowski also fielded a request from Dave Bendinger, then-news director at KDLG in Dillingham, Alaska. Bendinger had emailed regional EPA staff to ask if it would be possible to interview Pruitt or an EPA official for his weekly show on the public radio station downstream from the Pebble mine site.

Skadowski passed the request onto EPA headquarters in Washington.

"Can you look into this outlet? We might want to do this," Bowman wrote in an email to agency press official Jahan Wilcox.

Wilcox replied, "NO WAY. It's a liberal station in Alaska."

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From: Stern, Allyn
Sent: Wednesday, February 28, 2018 10:30 AM
To: Schwab, Justin <Schwab.Justin@epa.gov>; Palomaki, Ashley <Palomaki.Ashley@epa.gov>; Skadowski, Suzanne <Skadowski.Suzanne@epa.gov>; Holsman, Marianne <Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: February 28 -- Greenwire is ready

Allyn Stern
Regional Counsel
US EPA Region 10
206-553-1223
stern.allyn@epa.gov

Begin forwarded message:

From: E&E News <ealerts@eenews.net>
Date: February 28, 2018 at 10:28:49 AM PST
To: <stern.allyn@epa.gov>
Subject: February 28 -- Greenwire is ready

GREENWIRE -- Wed., February 28, 2018
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CC: Gordon, Brittney [Gordon.Brittney@epa.gov]; Carter, Brittany S. [carter.brittanys@epa.gov]; Pic, Jordan [pic.jordan@epa.gov]; Voyles, Travis [Voyles.Travis@epa.gov]; Kolb, John (JohnMark) [kolb.john@epa.gov]; Schollhamer, Mary [Schollhamer.Mary@epa.gov]; Fligger, Karen [Fligger.Karen@epa.gov]; Edwards, John (Holt) [edwards.john@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: WIFIA Round 3 announcement

Hi All—

We will not be announcing WIFIA on Tuesday, instead we will be holding while we work to fit the announcement into **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)** Thanks and more to come.

From: Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, October 10, 2019 1:49 PM
To: Risley, David <Risley.David@epa.gov>; Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>; Frye, Tony (Robert) <frye.robert@epa.gov>; Kaiser, Sven-Erik <Kaiser.Sven-Erik@epa.gov>; Berckes, Nicole <Berckes.Nicole@epa.gov>; Spraul, Greg <Spraul.Greg@epa.gov>; Bowles, Jack <Bowles.Jack@epa.gov>
Cc: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Gordon, Brittney <Gordon.Brittney@epa.gov>; Carter, Brittany S. <carter.brittanys@epa.gov>; Pic, Jordan <pic.jordan@epa.gov>; Voyles, Travis <Voyles.Travis@epa.gov>; Kolb, John (JohnMark) <kolb.john@epa.gov>; Schollhamer, Mary <Schollhamer.Mary@epa.gov>; Fligger, Karen <Fligger.Karen@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: WIFIA Round 3 announcement

All, I wanted to circle back on this. Below is a slightly updated tick tock- where the HQ PR is going out at Noon, followed by tailored Regional PRs. Tomorrow advance embargoed congressional notifications need to occur. I assume this is to committee staff (House T&I, House E&C, and Senate EPW; House & Senate appropriators;) but can you confirm who you will plan to do outreach with and if Ed Walsh will be involved?

For the day-of congressional notifications, I assume that's hill wide? I think in the past ya'll would reach out to the D.C. offices of House/Senate Members and your Regional counterparts would do the same with State/District staff of those members (see attached past email from Matt Klasen that has model text for RCLs to use for these notifications.)

WIFIA has made contact with all projects that had submitted an LOI. Two have since withdrawn their applications so we now have a total of 39 projects that we will invite to continue along the loan application process.

We are scrubbing our PR and social media now to reflect this number change and Brittney will share updated materials shortly. Attached is an updated spreadsheet with the accurate 2019 numbers.

Does this plan work for you all? Is there anything else you need from OW at this point? Britt and Jack- is your team all set?
-Allison

Date	Time	Activity	Champion
Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)			

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Risley, David <Risley.David@epa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, October 08, 2019 2:41 PM
To: Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>; Frye, Tony (Robert) <frye.robert@epa.gov>; Kaiser, Sven-Erik <Kaiser.Sven-Erik@epa.gov>; Berckes, Nicole <Berckes.Nicole@epa.gov>; Spraul, Greg <Spraul.Greg@epa.gov>
Cc: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>; Gordon, Brittney <Gordon.Brittney@epa.gov>; Carter, Brittany S. <carter.brittanys@epa.gov>; Pic, Jordan <pic.jordan@epa.gov>; Voyles, Travis <Voyles.Travis@epa.gov>; Kolb, John (JohnMark) <kolb.john@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: WIFIA Round 3 announcement

Hey Christian,
OW is notifying the project applicants now and that process can take a day or two. We are also engaging with the EPA Regional public affairs offices. That is the extent of our notifications. We are not doing congressional notifications and would support whatever process you want to pursue. Typically, we would support OCIR's congressional notifications the morning of the announcement (10/15). But, if you want to do some close-hold outreach this week, we'd support that too. What is your preference?

Best,
David

David Risley
EPA Office of Water
Acting Deputy Communications Director
Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

From: Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, October 08, 2019 2:36 PM
To: Risley, David <Risley.David@epa.gov>; Frye, Tony (Robert) <frye.robert@epa.gov>; Kaiser, Sven-Erik <Kaiser.Sven-Erik@epa.gov>; Berckes, Nicole <Berckes.Nicole@epa.gov>; Spraul, Greg <Spraul.Greg@epa.gov>
Cc: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>; Gordon, Brittney <Gordon.Brittney@epa.gov>; Carter, Brittany S. <carter.brittanys@epa.gov>; Pic, Jordan <pic.jordan@epa.gov>; Voyles, Travis <Voyles.Travis@epa.gov>; Kolb, John (JohnMark) <kolb.john@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: WIFIA Round 3 announcement

Can you please share the notification plan with OCIR? There are members who are very interested in these announcements and we will need to share some of this info with them.

Thanks,

Christian Rodrick
(202) 564-4828

From: Risley, David
Sent: Tuesday, October 8, 2019 2:35 PM
To: Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>; Frye, Tony (Robert) <frye.robert@epa.gov>; Kaiser, Sven-Erik <Kaiser.Sven-Erik@epa.gov>; Berckes, Nicole <Berckes.Nicole@epa.gov>; Spraul, Greg <Spraul.Greg@epa.gov>
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Subject: RE: WIFIA Round 3 announcement

We are doing notifications now through Thursday.

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EPA Office of Water
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From: Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, October 08, 2019 12:44 PM
To: Risley, David <Risley.David@epa.gov>; Frye, Tony (Robert) <frye.robert@epa.gov>; Kaiser, Sven-Erik <Kaiser.Sven-Erik@epa.gov>; Berckes, Nicole <Berckes.Nicole@epa.gov>; Spraul, Greg <Spraul.Greg@epa.gov>
Cc: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>; Gordon, Brittney <Gordon.Brittney@epa.gov>; Carter, Brittany S. <carter.brittanys@epa.gov>; Pic, Jordan <pic.jordan@epa.gov>; Voyles, Travis <Voyles.Travis@epa.gov>; Kolb, John (JohnMark) <kolb.john@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: WIFIA Round 3 announcement

Thank you—I know we are looking at Tuesday announcements—I think we will need to give a heads up to some of the members who have been engaged on this. When are you planning on notifying the selected projects this week?

Christian Rodrick
(202) 564-4828

From: Risley, David
Sent: Tuesday, October 8, 2019 11:45 AM
To: Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>; Frye, Tony (Robert) <frye.robert@epa.gov>; Kaiser, Sven-Erik <Kaiser.Sven-Erik@epa.gov>; Berckes, Nicole <Berckes.Nicole@epa.gov>; Spraul, Greg <Spraul.Greg@epa.gov>
Cc: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>; Gordon, Brittney <Gordon.Brittney@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: WIFIA Round 3 announcement

FYI

David Risley
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Acting Deputy Communications Director
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From: Risley, David
Sent: Tuesday, October 08, 2019 11:44 AM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Regional Public Affairs Directors <Regional_Public_Affairs_Directors@epa.gov>

Cc: Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>; Gordon, Brittney <Gordon.Brittney@epa.gov>
Subject: WIFIA Round 3 announcement

Hi all,
We are planning toward a Tuesday (10/15) announcement of projects that were **selected to apply** for WIFIA's latest round of funding. This is the next step for WIFIA projects, following our 2019 notice of funding availability and 51 letters of interest received this summer. We are reaching out to selected and non-selected projects this week and the numbers could change slightly (as some selected projects could potentially withdraw) so stay tuned for final information later this week. **Brittney Gordon** will be the point of contact for OW on this announcement as I'm out of the office starting later today.

Please see the attached and **note that each product includes selected projects as of 10/8** and that these materials are under concurrent OW review.

- National press release
- Regional template press release
- Individual [project] fact sheets
- WIFIA 2019 project selection overview fact sheet
- Comms plan – Forthcoming from Brittney Gordon

I'll also note that Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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Message

From: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/8/2017 8:04:09 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
CC: Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Press inquiry re: EPA budget calls for shuttering Energy Star program

Lol! It happens to the best of us!

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 8, 2017, at 3:03 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

> [FACEPALM]. There's the confusion! I was responding to Kristinn and not to the reporter!
>
> **From:** Drinkard, Andrea
> **Sent:** Wednesday, March 08, 2017 3:02 PM
> **To:** Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** Re: Press inquiry re: EPA budget calls for shuttering Energy Star program
>
> Ok, well however it gets responded to, it should come from the press office, not Kristinn/oar. Thanks.
>
> Sent from my iPhone
>
> On Mar 8, 2017, at 3:01 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:
>
>> I can't respond directly from press@epa.gov. I don't have access to it in that way yet.
>>
>> **From:** Drinkard, Andrea
>> **Sent:** Wednesday, March 08, 2017 3:00 PM
>> **To:** Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Sharpe, Kristinn <Sharpe.Kristinn@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
>> **Subject:** RE: Press inquiry re: EPA budget calls for shuttering Energy Star program
>>
>> Robert, please respond from the press@epa.gov account. Thanks.
>>
>> **From:** Daguillard, Robert
>> **Sent:** Wednesday, March 08, 2017 2:59 PM
>> **To:** Sharpe, Kristinn <Sharpe.Kristinn@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
>> **Cc:** Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
>> **Subject:** RE: Press inquiry re: EPA budget calls for shuttering Energy Star program
>>
>> Good afternoon Kristinn and thank you for reaching out,
>>
>> For attribution to Julia Valentine, an EPA spokesperson, please:
>>
>> We are not commenting at this early stage in the process.
>>
>> Thanks, R.

From: Sharpe, Kristinn
Sent: Wednesday, March 08, 2017 2:56 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Cc: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Press inquiry re: EPA budget calls for shuttering Energy Star program

From: AJ Dellinger [mailto:a.dellinger@ibtimes.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 08, 2017 2:49 PM
Subject: Press inquiry re: EPA budget calls for shuttering Energy Star program
[WARNING: SPF validation failed]

Hello,

I'm working on a story for International Business Times about a report from E&E News that revealed a draft EPA budget calls for shuttering the Energy Star program.

I'm wondering if the Energy Star has any comment to provide on this report?

Thanks for your help and information.

Best Regards,
AJ Dellinger

Message

From: Drinkard, Andrea [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=808A6B7B65BF447F93DAD2F510FEAF61-ADRINKAR]
Sent: 4/15/2019 1:50:11 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Mack, Sara [mack.sara@epa.gov]
CC: Strauss, Linda [Strauss.Linda@epa.gov]
Subject: Fwd: Asbestos Coms Packet
Attachments: Asbetos SNUR comms plan 04 15 19 AM.docx; ATT00001.htm; Asbestos SNUR Press Release 04 15 19 AM.docx; ATT00002.htm; Asbestos web 04 15 19 AM.docx; ATT00003.htm; Asbestos tweets 04 15 19 AM.docx; ATT00004.htm; Asbestos Backpocket Questions 04 15 19 rev.docx; ATT00005.htm; asbestos exclusive talkers_AD 4.15.19 rev.docx; ATT00006.htm

Hi Sara, any chance you could make 10 sets of copies for our 10:30 meeting? Please let me know ASAP if you can. If not, Linda will make them. Thanks.

Begin forwarded message:

> **From:** "Strauss, Linda" <Strauss.Linda@epa.gov>
> **Date:** April 15, 2019 at 9:44:53 AM EDT
> **To:** "Drinkard, Andrea" <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** "Dunton, Cheryl" <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>
> **Subject: Asbestos Coms Packet**
>
> Andrea, here's the packet. Can your shop make copies of these – or do you need me to do?

Message

From: Drinkard, Andrea [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=808A6B7B65BF447F93DAD2F510FEAF61-ADRINKAR]
Sent: 2/7/2019 9:27:28 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: PFAS presentation

We can share something early next week. I presume Jennifer will share the same.

From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Thursday, February 07, 2019 3:38 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: PFAS presentation

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

> **From:** "Mears, Mary" <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>
> **Date:** February 7, 2019 at 3:27:39 PM EST
> **To:** "Mclain, Jennifer" <Mclain.Jennifer@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** "Kluesner, Dave" <kluesner.dave@epa.gov>, "Evangelista, Pat" <Evangelista.Pat@epa.gov>, "Grantham, Nancy" <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
> **Subject: PFAS presentation**
>
> Hi Jennifer,
> First, thank you so much for the very informative webinar today. It was really clear and very helpful. My RA Pete Lopez was not able to call in or log in, because a speaking engagement that he was at ran late. I know it is VERY close hold, but is there any way you can share the slides with me or perhaps AA David Ross would be willing to send them to the RA's directly as close hold? I wouldn't ask, but I thought it was such a clear presentation, I think Pete would really benefit from it.
>
> Mary Mears
> U.S. EPA Region 2
> Public Affairs Director
> (212) 637-3673 (office)
> Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) (cell)

Message

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Sent: 2/8/2019 12:17:31 AM
To: Mclain, Jennifer [Mclain.Jennifer@epa.gov]
CC: Wadlington, Christina [Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: PFAS presentation

Yay! I was hoping this was the outcome ☺

On Feb 7, 2019, at 6:04 PM, Mclain, Jennifer <Mclain.Jennifer@epa.gov> wrote:

> I am taking the latest version home for one last read through. I talked to Dave and he is comfortable sending the PowerPoint to the Regions with internal/do not distribute markings. We can coordinate in the morning.
>
> Jennifer
>
> Begin forwarded message:
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> > **From:** "Mears, Mary" <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>
> > **Date:** February 7, 2019 at 5:11:34 PM EST
> > **To:** "Mclain, Jennifer" <Mclain.Jennifer@epa.gov>
> > **Subject: RE: PFAS presentation**
> >
> > Thank you. And even if you can't share with me, but can share with Pete Lopez that would be helpful. Again, nice slides – they were walls of words like most PPT!
> >
> > Mary Mears
> > U.S. EPA Region 2
> > Public Affairs Director
> > (212) 637-3673 (office)
> > Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) (cell)
> >
> > **From:** Mclain, Jennifer
> > **Sent:** Thursday, February 7, 2019 4:54 PM
> > **To:** Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>
> > **Cc:** Kluesner, Dave <kluesner.dave@epa.gov>; Evangelista, Pat <Evangelista.Pat@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Wadlington, Christina <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>
> > **Subject:** Re: PFAS presentation
> >
> > Thank you Mary! Yes, we are working to get the slides and other materials out to everyone as soon as possible.
> > Jennifer
> >
> > On Feb 7, 2019, at 3:27 PM, Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov> wrote:
> >
> > > Hi Jennifer,
> > > First, thank you so much for the very informative webinar today. It was really clear and very helpful. My RA Pete Lopez

was not able to call in or log in, because a speaking engagement that he was at ran late. I know it is VERY close hold, but is there any way you can share the slides with me or perhaps AA David Ross would be willing to send them to the RA's directly as close hold? I wouldn't ask, but I thought it was such a clear presentation, I think Pete would really benefit from it.

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Message

From: Drinkard, Andrea [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=808A6B7B65BF447F93DAD2F510FEAF61-ADRINKAR]
Sent: 2/4/2019 11:10:46 PM
To: Wadlington, Christina [Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov]; Mclain, Jennifer [Mclain.Jennifer@epa.gov]
Subject: Fwd: PFOA -- heads up

FYI...

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Ross, David P" <ross.davidp@epa.gov>
Date: February 4, 2019 at 5:37:14 PM EST
To: "Konkus, John" <konkus.john@epa.gov>, "Jackson, Ryan" <jackson.ryan@epa.gov>, "Drinkard, Andrea" <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Cc: "Lyons, Troy" <lyons.troy@epa.gov>, "Abboud, Michael" <abboud.michael@epa.gov>, "Hewitt, James" <hewitt.james@epa.gov>, "Block, Molly" <block.molly@epa.gov>, "Beach, Christopher" <beach.christopher@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: PFOA -- heads up

I just talked to AAW – we have a modified approach.

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From: Konkus, John
Sent: Monday, February 4, 2019 5:03 PM
To: Jackson, Ryan <jackson.ryan@epa.gov>
Cc: Ross, David P <ross.davidp@epa.gov>; Lyons, Troy <lyons.troy@epa.gov>; Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>; Hewitt, James <hewitt.james@epa.gov>; Block, Molly <block.molly@epa.gov>; Beach, Christopher <beach.christopher@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: PFOA -- heads up

After discussing this with David just now, we'd prefer **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

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From: Jackson, Ryan
Sent: Monday, February 4, 2019 4:55 PM
To: Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>
Cc: Ross, David P <ross.davidp@epa.gov>; Lyons, Troy <lyons.troy@epa.gov>; Abboud, Michael

<abboud.michael@epa.gov>; Hewitt, James <hewitt.james@epa.gov>; Block, Molly <block.molly@epa.gov>; Beach, Christopher <beach.christopher@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: PFOA -- heads up

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I think we accomplish our purpose by saying,

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From: Konkus, John
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To: Jackson, Ryan <jackson.ryan@epa.gov>
Cc: Ross, David P <ross.davidp@epa.gov>; Lyons, Troy <lyons.troy@epa.gov>; Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>; Hewitt, James <hewitt.james@epa.gov>; Block, Molly <block.molly@epa.gov>; Beach, Christopher <beach.christopher@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: PFOA -- heads up

Here's the updated (stronger) statement from David Ross. I'd like to get this to Newsday ASAP please if everyone is good.

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From: Jackson, Ryan
Sent: Monday, February 4, 2019 11:32 AM
To: Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>
Cc: Ross, David P <ross.davidp@epa.gov>; Lyons, Troy <lyons.troy@epa.gov>; Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>; Hewitt, James <hewitt.james@epa.gov>; Block, Molly <block.molly@epa.gov>; Beach, Christopher <beach.christopher@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: PFOA -- heads up

We need to Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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Ryan Jackson
Chief of Staff
U.S. EPA
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On Feb 4, 2019, at 11:27 AM, Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov> wrote:

Flagging…for awareness.

From: Mears, Mary
Sent: Monday, February 4, 2019 11:11 AM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Richardson, RobinH <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>
Cc: Kluesner, Dave <kluesner.dave@epa.gov>
Subject: PFOA
Importance: High

Hi Nancy, Robin and Andrea,

FYI see below related to PFOA and SOTU. We have also just got a media inquiry from NY Newsday asking for a response to a planned media event from Senator Schumer plans today. According to reporter, Senator Schumer will ask EPA to "reverse course on a likely imminent decision to not set drinking water standards for highly toxic chemicals already found on Long Island."

From: Kluesner, Dave
Sent: Monday, February 4, 2019 9:45 AM
To: Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>
Cc: Rini, Sophia <Rini.Sophia@epa.gov>; Romanowski, Larisa <Romanowski.Larisa@epa.gov>; Kandil, Shereen <Kandil.Shereen@epa.gov>
Subject: this will be of interest to Pete
Importance: High

ALBANY TIMES UNION

Hoosick Falls environmental advocate to attend State of the Union

February 3, 2019

Hoosick Falls resident Michael Hickey, who exposed toxic chemicals polluting water in his Rensselaer County village, will attend the State of the Union in Washington D.C. Tuesday as the guest of U.S. Rep. Antonio Delgado.

Hickey said he was honored and grateful to be joining Delgado.

"Putting a spotlight on the poisoning of residents of Hoosick Falls and Petersburgh is exactly what we need to spur action on a local and national level," a statement to the Times Union read.

After the death of his father from cancer, Hickey began testing local water for contaminants. He discovered that a toxic chemical PFOA, emitted from factories nearby, polluted water supplies in and around the village of Hoosick Falls.

The Times Union r**eported the discovery** in December 2015. The story also revealed that village and state officials downplayed the problem for more than a year and did not warn residents that the water was unsafe to drink, possibly to protect their efforts to revive the local economy.

Within a week of publication, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) demanded the village warn residents to stop drinking the water. Two months later, the state of New York declared the village would become a Superfund site designated for federally funded clean-up.

In 2016, Hickey **sued two companies** that operated the manufacturing plants which caused the contaminants. He and other Hoosick Falls residents, including mayor Rob Allen elected in 2017, have pushed for compensation and systemic change as the problem persists. A **recent survey** discovered rates of illnesses and cancer caused by pollution were higher than previously estimated.

Delgado, serving his first term as representative for the 19th Congressional District which includes Hoosick Falls, said the situation is **one of his top regional concerns**.

"I've seen personally the devastating effects that PFOA chemicals have had on our communities and on families like Michael Hickey's. He is a true hero in what he has done to spur action," a statement from the representative to the Times Union read. "I'm pleased he will join me for the State of the Union as we send a powerful message that this crisis cannot be ignored. I am committed to working with members on both sides of the aisle to take decisive steps to address water contamination. And I will be a strong voice urging the Administration to step up its efforts to protect the health and safety of communities in Upstate New York and across the country."

Last week, Delgado **sent a letter** to EPA's Acting Administrator Andrew Wheeler urging him to include a commitment to set maximum contaminant levels for the toxic chemicals PFOA and PFAS. Delgado's letter said that the agency's National Management Plan, overdue after a scheduled release in fall 2018, is rumored to not include a maximum level.

Delgado's guest will highlight the issue on a national stage. This year's State of the Union delivered by the President, an annual tradition, was delayed because of the longest shutdown in U.S. history. Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi refused to invite President Donald Trump to give the speech in the House but conceded after the shutdown was temporarily ended.

Every member of Congress can bring one guest to the event. The President and the Speaker of the House may invite up to 24 guests each in their designated boxes.

Congressman Paul Tonko is bringing Gene Karpinski, president of the League of Conservation Voters and a leading national voice for climate action and environmental advocacy.

Congresswoman Elise Stefanik invited Steve Bowman, an Air Force veteran from Plattsburgh, who is the director of the Clinton County Veterans Services Agency.

Hoosick Falls Mayor Rob Allen, who announced Hickey's invitation on Twitter Saturday, said two other advocates from PFAS contaminated communities will attend the State of the Union address Tuesday.

New Hampshire Senator Jeanne Shaheen invited Andrea Amico from grassroots group "Testing for Pease." According to the organization's website, Amico started advocacy after tests exposed water contamination on Pease Air National Guard Base near Portsmouth in 2014. She was personally affected: her husband was employed for a company on Pease for almost 9 years and both of her children attended daycare there since they were 12 weeks old.

Michigan U.S. Rep. Dan Kildee invited Cathy Wusterbarth. According to his office's press release, Wusterbarth is a resident of Oscoda that surrounds former Wurtsmith Air Force Base. PFAS chemicals from the base seeped into surrounding groundwater wells and pose a threat to drinking water sources in Oscoda and across the country.

Kildee's district also includes Flint, where tests in 2015 confirmed dangerous levels of lead in the town's drinking water.

Delgado told reporters a week after he took office that he is working with Kildee and other representatives of affected districts to champion for clean water.

David W. Kluesner

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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 2
Deputy Director, Public Affairs
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Message

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Sent: 1/31/2019 1:09:39 PM
To: Aguirre, Janita [Aguirre.Janita@epa.gov]
CC: Wadlington, Christina [Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov]
Subject: Fwd: Proposed PMP Tick Tock
Attachments: Action Plan_Tick_Tock.docx; ATT00001.htm

Hi Janita,

Since I'm going to be getting in right before the 11:30 meeting with Dave, could you make a few copies?

Also, I don't see it on the calendar yet. Any chance you could add it or check with Crystal? Im not sure what staffing looks like today ☺

Begin forwarded message:

> **From:** "Wadlington, Christina" <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>
> **Date:** January 31, 2019 at 7:55:35 AM EST
> **To:** "Mclain, Jennifer" <Mclain.Jennifer@epa.gov>, "Drinkard, Andrea" <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
> **Subject: RE: Proposed PMP Tick Tock**
>
> For today's meeting.
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> **From:** Mclain, Jennifer
> **Sent:** Wednesday, January 30, 2019 4:45 PM
> **To:** Wadlington, Christina <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** RE: Proposed PMP Tick Tock
>
> Great
> Thanks!
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> **From:** Wadlington, Christina
> **Sent:** Wednesday, January 30, 2019 4:24 PM
> **To:** Mclain, Jennifer <Mclain.Jennifer@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** Proposed PMP Tick Tock
>
> FYI, final run down from Andrea and I for tomorrow.
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> Materials:
> - Press Release
> - Talking Points/Key Messages
> - Social Media
> - Website
> - Action Plan Document

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Sent: 1/30/2019 9:23:20 PM
To: Wadlington, Christina [Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Proposed PMP Tick Tock

From: Wadlington, Christina
Sent: Wednesday, January 30, 2019 4:17 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Proposed PMP Tick Tock

Materials:

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From: Drinkard, Andrea
Sent: Wednesday, January 30, 2019 3:55 PM
To: Wadlington, Christina <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Proposed PMP Tick Tock

I don't see why not. Timing is probably important here. When would you want it?

From: Wadlington, Christina
Sent: Wednesday, January 30, 2019 3:53 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Proposed PMP Tick Tock

On the phone with Jennifer, can we set up a meeting with Dave just about the tick tock and the release?

From: Wadlington, Christina
Sent: Wednesday, January 30, 2019 10:49 AM
To: Mclain, Jennifer <Mclain.Jennifer@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Subject: Proposed PMP Tick Tock

For your consideration/edits

Materials:

- Press Release
- Talking Points/Key Messages
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Sent: 10/1/2018 4:07:11 PM
To: Sawyers, Andrew [Sawyers.Andrew@epa.gov]; Goodin, John [Goodin.John@epa.gov]; Nagle, Deborah [Nagle.Deborah@epa.gov]
CC: Mclain, Jennifer [Mclain.Jennifer@epa.gov]
Subject: Fwd: Draft Cincinnati Communication Benita
Attachments: Draft Legionella Communication 9.28.18.docx; ATT00001.htm

FYI...this is close hold, but wanted you to be aware in case it comes up this afternoon. Sorry to hit you twice, Jennifer.

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Best-Wong, Benita" <Best-Wong.Benita@epa.gov>
Date: October 1, 2018 at 10:24:29 AM CDT
To: "Ross, David P" <ross.davidp@epa.gov>
Cc: "Drinkard, Andrea" <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Draft Cincinnati Communication Benita

Dave – see excerpts from the attachment that you can use in case you get questions this afternoon. The plan is to Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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Points taken from the press statement and notice to employee:

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Regards,
Benita

Benita Best-Wong
Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator
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202-566-1159

From: Vizian, Donna
Sent: Monday, October 01, 2018 9:59 AM
To: Best-Wong, Benita <Best-Wong.Benita@epa.gov>
Subject: Draft Cincinnati Communication Benita

Benita – per my VM – this is the final draft. It is likely to be released today. Please let me know if you have any questions. Please do not share widely since it is not final. thanks

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Sent: 10/1/2018 3:46:07 PM
To: Mclain, Jennifer [Mclain.Jennifer@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Draft Cincinnati Communication Benita

In case it comes up this afternoon. I presume it will not, but just in case.

On Oct 1, 2018, at 10:44 AM, Mclain, Jennifer <Mclain.Jennifer@epa.gov> wrote:

> Thanks
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> Jennifer
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> On Oct 1, 2018, at 10:38 AM, Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov> wrote:
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> > This is still close hold, but this is the issue.
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Sent: 7/14/2017 7:40:09 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Deegan, Dave [Deegan.Dave@epa.gov]
CC: Gutro, Doug [Gutro.Doug@epa.gov]; Bender, Emily [Bender.Emily@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Region 1 WIFIA plan & draft PR

No issues from OW. Thanks!

From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Friday, July 14, 2017 3:12 PM
To: Deegan, Dave <Deegan.Dave@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Cc: Gutro, Doug <Gutro.Doug@epa.gov>; Bender, Emily <Bender.Emily@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Region 1 WIFIA plan & draft PR

This will be fine .. will get it in for review thanks ng

Nancy Grantham
Office of Public Affairs
US Environmental Protection Agency
202-564-6879 (desk)
Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) **(mobile)**

From: Deegan, Dave
Sent: Friday, July 14, 2017 3:11 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Cc: Gutro, Doug <Gutro.Doug@epa.gov>; Bender, Emily <Bender.Emily@epa.gov>; Deegan, Dave <Deegan.Dave@epa.gov>
Subject: Region 1 WIFIA plan & draft PR

Hi Nancy,

I had some time so went ahead and drafted a more local proposed PR for WIFIA … we're glad to keep closer to the HQ draft if you prefer, but I wanted to float this in case it's helpful for John or others to see this approach.

Pitch Plan:

We'd recommend offering Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) Other outlets are really pretty small and limited in distribution.

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Day of release we would also send the PR to our normal Maine lists, which include all other daily/weekly papers, radio and TV.

We'll suggest social media next week… I'm thinking you all may already be working on that so I'm hoping not to duplicate efforts.

Hope this is helpful,
Dave

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Message

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Sent: 3/26/2018 3:19:09 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Tunnel opening postponed - we will circle back to share new date & time shortly. Thank you for understanding
Attachments: Run.of.Show.March22.Draft5.docx

FYI…Dave is doing this instead of Benita who is out of the office.

From: Vincent Morris [mailto:Vincent.Morris@dcwater.com]
Sent: Monday, March 26, 2018 11:10 AM
To: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; schafer, joan <schafer.joan@epa.gov>; Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>
Cc: Mayer, Lauren <mayer.lauren@epa.gov>; Lieberman, Paige <Lieberman.Paige@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Tunnel opening postponed - we will circle back to share new date & time shortly. Thank you for understanding

Hi there Andrea
Thank you and that sounds great. Good to have Dave.
I have attached the first version of our run of show.
As you can see, Benita was slated to speak at 1:18 so I think we would likely place Dave into that slot.
This script will probably be tweaked a tiny bit between now and Wednesday but I will share whatever we edit.
Can we expect Dave to cover the same topics as Benita? Do you need anything else from us?
Thank you
Vince

From: Drinkard, Andrea [mailto:Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Sent: Monday, March 26, 2018 11:03 AM
To: schafer, joan <schafer.joan@epa.gov>; Vincent Morris <Vincent.Morris@dcwater.com>; Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>
Cc: Mayer, Lauren <mayer.lauren@epa.gov>; Lieberman, Paige <Lieberman.Paige@epa.gov>
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Hi Vince,

I have good news and bad news. The bad news is that Benita is out of the office this week and can't make it. The good news is that Dave Ross is in the office and he CAN make it! I hope this change will work for you.

Because Dave's time is tight, I was wondering if you could share your updated agenda/run of show for the event and any additional background that might be helpful for Dave's prep. Allison and Joan have brought me up to speed this morning, so I should be able to hit the ground running.

We're looking forward to a good event and hopefully some warmer weather!!

Thanks!

-Andrea-

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From: schafer, joan
Sent: Monday, March 26, 2018 8:46 AM
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Cc: Mayer, Lauren <mayer.lauren@epa.gov>; Lieberman, Paige <Lieberman.Paige@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Tunnel opening postponed - we will circle back to share new date & time shortly. Thank you for understanding

Vince – Andrea is working on this issue for Allison – and she will be responding to your question later this morning.
I'm copying her to bring her into the conversation.
Thanks.

Joan T. Schafer, Senior Advisor
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Cc: Mayer, Lauren <mayer.lauren@epa.gov>; Lieberman, Paige <Lieberman.Paige@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Tunnel opening postponed - we will circle back to share new date & time shortly. Thank you for understanding

Hi Allison
Enjoy spring break. Do you all still expect Benita to attend and speak Wednesday or is it possible that someone else would represent EPA?
Thanks
Vince

From: Dennis, Allison [mailto:Dennis.Allison@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, March 22, 2018 8:44 PM
To: schafer, joan <schafer.joan@epa.gov>
Cc: Vincent Morris <Vincent.Morris@dcwater.com>; Mayer, Lauren <mayer.lauren@epa.gov>; Lieberman, Paige <Lieberman.Paige@epa.gov>

Subject: Re: Tunnel opening postponed - we will circle back to share new date & time shortly. Thank you for understanding

Hi Vince,

I will be out of the office next week. In my absence, please work with Paige and Lauren, both cced, as you work to identify a new date for this event. Thanks ! -Allison

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 21, 2018, at 11:38 AM, schafer, joan <schafer.joan@epa.gov> wrote:

> Thanks, Vince. I'll let our region 3 folks know. Thanks.
>
> Sent from my iPhone
>
> On Mar 21, 2018, at 11:37 AM, Vincent Morris <Vincent.Morris@dcwater.com> wrote:

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w. 202-787-2081 | c. Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) vincent.morris@dcwater.com

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Sent: 4/3/2018 5:44:30 PM
To: Klasen, Matthew [Klasen.Matthew@epa.gov]
CC: Bowles, Jack [Bowles.Jack@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: DRAFT WIFIA Materials

Unsolicited, but super helpful. #1 is a track changes phantom. I'll fix that. #2 I was trying to save words to get it all on one page. I think it should read: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 3, 2018, at 1:42 PM, Klasen, Matthew <Klasen.Matthew@epa.gov> wrote:

Hey Jack (+ adding Andrea D. for efficiency):

Two thoughts:
1) Andrea: Press release has some garbled words in the first line:

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

2) Jack: On the gov's letter, obviously your team has ownership over this, not me -- Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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-Matt, source of unsolicited thoughts

Matt Klasen
U.S Environmental Protection Agency
Office of Congressional Affairs
WJC North 3443P
202-566-0780
cell Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

From: Bowles, Jack
Sent: Tuesday, April 3, 2018 1:30 PM
To: Cook-Shyovitz, Becky; Barbery, Andrea; Klasen, Matthew; Hannon, Arnita; Hanson, Andrew; Matthews, Demond
Cc: Richardson, RobinH
Subject: FW: DRAFT WIFIA Materials

Hey everyone,

For the WIFIA roll-out. Close hold.

Best,

Jack

From: Drinkard, Andrea
Sent: Tuesday, April 03, 2018 1:00 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Schollhamer, Mary <Schollhamer.Mary@epa.gov>; Fligger, Karen <Fligger.Karen@epa.gov>; Bowles, Jack <Bowles.Jack@epa.gov>; Richardson, RobinH <Richardson.RobinH@epa.gov>
Subject: DRAFT WIFIA Materials

DRAFT DELIBERATIVE

Hi all—

Attached is an updated press release, gov letter and roll-out plan. Please let me know if anyone has additional edits.

Andrea Drinkard

Communications Director

EPA Office of Water

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Sent: 9/14/2017 11:09:51 PM
To: Wadlington, Christina [Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov]
CC: Tricas, Marisa [tricas.marisa@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: IMPORTANT: Newsweek Story On Sewage Overflow and Hurricane Response

I'm still trying to get questions. Nancy has not heard back from the reporter. It will likely be for attribution for both, but I'll negotiate that with Nancy once we hear from the reporter.

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 14, 2017, at 7:03 PM, Wadlington, Christina <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov> wrote:

> It is going to be on background then? Or will they each get attribution?
>
> Also, it might be helpful to first get questions then determine the right person? This story could go so many ways.
>
> Sent from my iPhone
>
> On Sep 14, 2017, at 6:32 PM, Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov> wrote:
>
>> Hi team, based on some back and forth with Nancy and with Lee, I think we'd like to do this as Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
>> Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) Nancy, is still trying to get the exact questions and to nail down timing, but I think they're targeting tomorrow. Peter, let me know if you'd be available as well.
>>
>> Thanks.
>>
>> Sent from my iPhone
>>
>> On Sep 14, 2017, at 3:05 PM, Forsgren, Lee <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov> wrote:
>>
>>> Andrea,
>>>
>>> Come grab me after my 3:00 pm meeting and we can talk.
>>>
>>> Lee
>>>
>>> **From:** Drinkard, Andrea
>>> **Sent:** Thursday, September 14, 2017 2:44 PM
>>> **To:** Sawyers, Andrew <Sawyers.Andrew@epa.gov>; Grevatt, Peter <Grevatt.Peter@epa.gov>; Forsgren, Lee <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov>; Shapiro, Mike <Shapiro.Mike@epa.gov>
>>> **Cc:** Schollhamer, Mary <Schollhamer.Mary@epa.gov>; Wadlington, Christina <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>; Tricas, Marisa <tricas.marisa@epa.gov>; Tiago, Joseph <Tiago.Joseph@epa.gov>; Campbell, Ann <Campbell.Ann@epa.gov>

Subject: ~FW: IMPORTANT: Newsweek Story On Sewage Overflow and Hurricane Response

Hi all—

I've got a jump ball that we need to nail down pretty quickly. Newsweek is asking for an on the record interview on sewage overflows. Region 6 was going to handle it, but Sam is traveling and can't do it. Lee/Mike, I wanted to give you two first right of refusal. I think Mike is on a plane right now, so we likely won't hear from him, but please let me know what everyone's thoughts are on moving forward. We need to nail down a path forward relatively soon.

Thanks.

-Andrea-

From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Thursday, September 14, 2017 1:19 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: IMPORTANT: Newsweek Story On Sewage Overflow and Hurricane Response

Will call

> **From:** Dana Dovey [mailto:d.dovey@newsweekgroup.com]
> **Sent:** Wednesday, September 13, 2017 9:26 AM
> **To:** Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** Newsweek Story On Sewage Overflow
>
> Hi Mary!
>
> I'm working on a story for Newsweek this morning on raw sewage problems following the recent hurricanes in Houston in Florida and am looking for someone to comment on this topic.
>
> **How would these sewage overflows affect both**

environmental and public health?

Can you put me in touch with anyone who may be able to speak on the topic? I'm working with a very tight deadline.

Thank you and looking forward to your reply,
Dana

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Sent: 7/18/2017 7:40:10 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: EPA WIFIA Announcement -- Miami Herald Follow up questions

See responses. The response to #1 is fine as written by the region.

Q 1. Can you tell me if Miami-Dade will receive the entire $79 million loan it requested?

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Q.2 Also, since it's a loan, when does it have to pay it back and what's the interest?

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Sent: Tuesday, July 18, 2017 2:24 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: EPA WIFIA Announcement -- Miami Herald Follow up questions
Importance: High

Please advise thanks ng

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Sent: Tuesday, July 18, 2017 2:05 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: EPA WIFIA Announcement -- Miami Herald Follow up questions
Importance: High

Nancy,

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From: Jenny Staletovich [mailto:jstaletovich@miamiherald.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 18, 2017 1:52 PM
To: Lincoln, Larry <Lincoln.Larry@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: EPA WIFIA Announcement -- EMBARGOED

Thanks Larry.

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Sent: 7/18/2017 7:39:33 PM
To: Fligger, Karen [Fligger.Karen@epa.gov]; Schollhamer, Mary [Schollhamer.Mary@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: EPA WIFIA Announcement -- Miami Herald Follow up questions

Perfect. Thanks.

From: Fligger, Karen
Sent: Tuesday, July 18, 2017 3:12 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Schollhamer, Mary <Schollhamer.Mary@epa.gov>
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Karen Fligger
Senior Project Manager, WIFIA Program
US EPA, Office of Wastewater Management
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Can you guys come up with a response to #2 and let me know if you're ok with the region's response on #1. We may need to add some additional caveat language to #1. Thanks.

Deadline is ASAP.

-Andrea-

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Sent: 3/26/2018 8:33:58 PM
To: Ross, David P [ross.davidp@epa.gov]
CC: Campbell, Ann [Campbell.Ann@epa.gov]; Penman, Crystal [Penman.Crystal@epa.gov]; Dennis, Allison [Dennis.Allison@epa.gov]
Subject: e copies of DC Water Event Materials
Attachments: Tunnel_Hot_Issue-3-6-18.docx; Draft Talking Points - Anacostia Tunnel 3-28-18_v2.docx; Run.of.Show.March22.Draft5.docx

Hi Dave,

I'm bringing hard copies down now, but in case you need these electronically, here's what we've got so far. I'm still waiting on the two follow up items from the region as far as Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) More info to come on that.

Thanks.

-Andrea-

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Sent: 11/6/2017 5:18:02 PM
To: Lynn, Tricia [lynn.tricia@epa.gov]
CC: Fuld, John [Fuld.John@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Press re: WOTUS at OMB

Yes, that's correct.

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 6, 2017, at 12:17 PM, Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi guys...there's follow-up....

From: Jackie Toth [mailto:jackietoth@cqrollcall.com]
Sent: Monday, November 06, 2017 12:02 PM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Press re: WOTUS at OMB

Thanks much, Tricia. Am I interpreting the proposal correctly that it is amending the original 2015 rule's effective date as a means of providing certainty to stakeholders? Let me know if that is not correct .

- Jackie

Jackie Toth
CQ Legal
Energy, Environment Reporter-Analyst
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On 6 November 2017 at 11:57, Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov> wrote:

Jackie—

For attribution to "an EPA spokesperson:"

The proposal is currently undergoing interagency review. After that review is complete and the proposal is signed, EPA will make it available for review and public comment.

The proposal undergoing interagency review is separate from the two-step process the agencies propose to take to replace the 2015 rule. The comment period for the Step 1 rule closed in September and the agency is currently working to review the comments received from the public. The agency is also in the process of holding listening sessions with states, tribes and stakeholders as we work to develop a proposed step 2 rule that would revise the definition of "waters of the United States." The agency is working expeditiously on both actions.

Best,

Tricia

From: Jackie Toth [mailto:jackietoth@cqrollcall.com]
Sent: Monday, November 06, 2017 10:28 AM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Press re: WOTUS at OMB

Hi all,

What would the WOTUS effective date amendment now at OMB do? To which date is it being changed? Are there any other proposed changes to the rescission/replacement being made in this proposal?

Deadline is 1pm.

Thanks,

Jackie

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Subject: Fwd: is there a deadline for MTE? Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) ? thanks ng

Close hold thx ng

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> **From:** "Millett, John" <Millett.John@epa.gov>
> **Date:** March 28, 2018 at 7:18:25 PM EDT
> **To:** "Grantham, Nancy" <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** "DeLuca, Isabel" <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov>
> **Subject: Re: is there a deadline for MTE?** Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) **? thanks ng**
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> Yes. The plan we heard from Bill and Mandy is to Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
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Sent: 2/8/2017 1:06:23 PM
To: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: PRESS BOX: RESPONSE- NON-TRANSITION - Richmong Confidential : OPPT/OECA: Authorized Chemical Product?

Responses from OPPT and OECA.

Richmond Confidential
Julia Vassey
646 479 1953
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DDL Thursday 2/9

INCOMING:

My name is Julia Vassey. I'm a reporter for Richmond Confidential, an online publication in Richmond, CA. I'm trying to research a story about asbestos-containing consumer products that are still not banned, which are listed on your web site.

https://www.epa.gov/asbestos/us-federal-bans-asbestos

My interest was triggered by a conversation with my neighbor who was not aware that her flooring (vinyl tile) contained asbestos, as popcorn ceilings are usually what people are most familiar with in terms of asbestos presence.

Is there data out there that shows either a number of complaints from people who had asbestos in their vinyl tile flooring or some other kind of data related to asbestos flooring in residential homes?

Also, maybe you have data on U.S. companies that still produce asbestos-containing products?

Appreciate your response.

Look forward to hearing from you.

RESPONSE:

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To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Pierce, Alison <Pierce.Alison@epa.gov>; Senn, John <Senn.John@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: OPPT/OECA: Authorized Chemical Product?

Also, asbestos is one of the first 10 that we will review under the new TSCA:
https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/epa-names-first-chemicals-review-under-new-tsca-legislation

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Per our chat just now, some links:

Banned products: https://www.epa.gov/asbestos/us-federal-bans-asbestos:
Examples of products not banned: https://www.epa.gov/asbestos/us-federal-bans-asbestos#notbanned
Regulatory history of bans: https://www.epa.gov/asbestos/us-federal-bans-asbestos#regulatory
More on court decision: https://www.epa.gov/asbestos/asbestos-ban-and-phase-out-federal-register-notices

Let me know if you need more.

Linda

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Monday, February 06, 2017 8:07 AM
To: Strauss, Linda <Strauss.Linda@epa.gov>; Pierce, Alison <Pierce.Alison@epa.gov>; Senn, John <Senn.John@epa.gov>
Subject: OPPT/OECA: Authorized Chemical Product?

Good morning all,

I'm waiting for more information from this reporter, but the gist of the matter is the following:

Would we even keep statistics on complaints about an authorized chemical product?

No deadline yet, but I want to make sure we should even be spending time on this. Thanks in advance, R.

My name is Julia Vassey. I'm a reporter for Richmond Confidential, an online publication in Richmond, CA. I'm trying to research a story about asbestos-containing consumer products that are still not banned, which are listed on your web site.

https://www.epa.gov/asbestos/us-federal-bans-asbestos

My interest was triggered by a conversation with my neighbor who was not aware that her flooring (vinyl tile) contained asbestos, as popcorn ceilings are usually what people are most familiar with in terms of asbestos presence.

Is there data out there that shows either a number of complaints from people who had asbestos in their vinyl tile flooring or some other kind of data related to asbestos flooring in residential homes?

Also, maybe you have data on U.S. companies that still produce asbestos-containing products?

Appreciate your response.

Look forward to hearing from you.

Robert Daguillard
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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 1/24/2017 8:09:25 PM
To: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: PRESS BOX: TRANSITION - Rhode Island media Inquiry re. communications

ecoRI News
Tim Faulkner
401-330-6276
Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Media policy

From: Deegan, Dave
Sent: Tuesday, January 24, 2017 3:05 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Hull, George <Hull.George@epa.gov>; Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Cc: Gutro, Doug <Gutro.Doug@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Rhode Island media Inquiry re. communications

Hi All – here's another for follow up.
Dave

From: Tim Faulkner [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
Sent: Tuesday, January 24, 2017 2:53 PM
To: Deegan, Dave <Deegan.Dave@epa.gov>
Subject: Media Inquiry

Hi, Dave - Can you or Curt respond to the proposed gag order at the EPA?

Thanks for the help.

Best,
Tim Faulkner
ecoRI News
401-330-6276
www.ecoRI.org

Appointment

From: Dunn, Alexandra [dunn.alexandra@epa.gov]
Sent: 1/29/2019 5:08:02 PM
To: Dunn, Alexandra [dunn.alexandra@epa.gov]; Block, Molly [block.molly@epa.gov]; Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]; Abboud, Michael [abboud.michael@epa.gov]; Hewitt, James [hewitt.james@epa.gov]; Beach, Christopher [beach.christopher@epa.gov]

Subject: Talk through press strategy
Location: WJCE 3130A

Start: 1/30/2019 6:15:00 PM
End: 1/30/2019 6:45:00 PM
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Appointment

From: McFaul, Jessica [mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov]
Sent: 4/12/2019 7:53:39 PM
To: McFaul, Jessica [mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov]; Strauss, Linda [Strauss.Linda@epa.gov]; Schiermeyer, Corry [schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov]; Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]; Hewitt, James [hewitt.james@epa.gov]; Beach, Christopher [beach.christopher@epa.gov]; Mack, Sara [mack.sara@epa.gov]
CC: Dunton, Cheryl [Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov]; Courtnage, Robert [Courtnage.Robert@EPA.GOV]; Winchester, Erik [Winchester.Erik@epa.gov]

Subject: Asbestos SNUR Discussion (RJ Priority)
Location: 3415

Start: 4/15/2019 2:30:00 PM
End: 4/15/2019 3:00:00 PM
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Linda will bring a comms plan and any additional prepared materials to review. We will go over messaging and press strategy, develop a punchlist and take assignments as needed. Wednesday rollout.

Message

From: McFaul, Jessica [mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/26/2019 7:39:17 PM
Subject: WEEK OF JULY 29 – EPA COMMUNICATIONS

Importance: High

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- EPA Stylebook (i.e. Agency Branding): https://www.epa.gov/stylebook

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Message

From: Sauerhage, Maggie [Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov]
Sent: 6/25/2019 6:41:01 PM
To: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: For Review: interview with Salt Lake Tribune on cleanup database

Checking on this, ok to proceed with scheduling an interview?

Yue Stella Yu of the Salt Lake Tribune is hoping to speak with an EPA expert on the Cleanups in My Community Database. The interview would be for attribution and the interviewee would be Joe Macula who is the OLEM data expert on this topic. Steven and Peter have approved. Ok to set up?

From the reporter, Stella:
The purpose is not only for me to understand this database and use it, but how to explain it to my readers. Therefore, I do need to attribute whatever I learn about this database back to the EPA, because I can't be a more authoritative voice than the EPA.

At the very least, I hope you can provide me with the metadata of this database, if that makes sense. That might answer a lot of questions I have in mind, and it might save you time too.

For some records I have specifically about Utah, I can contact the property owners for further answers. I have two general questions you can probably answer for me: *among the records where cleanup is recorded as required*, why would some records have a redevelopment completion date but no cleanup completion date? And why would some records where cleanup appears to be accomplished but the cleaned up acre column is blank?

Maggie Sauerhage
Office of Public Affairs
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Office: (202) 564-0443
Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Message

From: Schiermeyer, Corry [schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov]
Sent: 5/16/2019 4:12:11 PM
To: Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]; Abboud, Michael [abboud.michael@epa.gov]; Hewitt, James [hewitt.james@epa.gov]
CC: McFaul, Jessica [mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov]; Beach, Christopher [beach.christopher@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: OIG Report: "Actions Needed to Strengthen Controls over the EPA Administrator's and Associated Staff's Travel"
Attachments: _epaoig_20190516-19-P-0155_cert.pdf

From: OIG News
Sent: Thursday, May 16, 2019 12:02 PM
To: Greaves, Holly <greaves.holly@epa.gov>; Jackson, Ryan <jackson.ryan@epa.gov>; McIntosh, Chad <mcintosh.chad@epa.gov>
Cc: Wheeler, Andrew <wheeler.andrew@epa.gov>; Darwin, Henry <darwin.henry@epa.gov>; Molina, Michael <molina.michael@epa.gov>; Bloom, David <Bloom.David@epa.gov>; Terris, Carol <Terris.Carol@epa.gov>; Trent, Bobbie <Trent.Bobbie@epa.gov>; Anthony, Sherri <Anthony.Sherri@epa.gov>; Deane, Benita <Deane.Benita@epa.gov>; Osterman, Adam <Osterman.Adam@epa.gov>; Leopold, Matt (OGC) <Leopold.Matt@epa.gov>; Brazauskas, Joseph <brazauskas.joseph@epa.gov>; Lyons, Troy <lyons.troy@epa.gov>; Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>; Martiyan, Stefan <MARTIYAN.STEFAN@EPA.GOV>; Benton, Michael <benton.michael@epa.gov>; Wooden-Aguilar, Helena <Wooden-Aguilar.Helena@epa.gov>; Conklin, Jeanne <Conklin.Jeanne@epa.gov>; Gray, Richard <Gray.Richard@epa.gov>; Bodine, Susan <bodine.susan@epa.gov>; Nishida, Jane <Nishida.Jane@epa.gov>; Fotouhi, David <Fotouhi.David@epa.gov>; Barnet, Henry <Barnet.Henry@epa.gov>; Starfield, Lawrence <Starfield.Lawrence@epa.gov>; Spriggs, Gwendolyn <Spriggs.Gwendolyn@epa.gov>; Connell, Lenore <Connell.Lenore@epa.gov>; Webb, Brian <Webb.Brian@epa.gov>; Blake, Wendy <Blake.Wendy@epa.gov>
Subject: OIG Report: "Actions Needed to Strengthen Controls over the EPA Administrator's and Associated Staff's Travel"

Attached is the EPA Office of Inspector General (OIG) report, *Actions Needed to Strengthen Controls over the EPA Administrator's and Associated Staff's Travel* (Report No. 19-P-0155). This report will be available to the public on the OIG's website at www.epa.gov/oig.

Message

From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: 6/19/2019 6:58:25 PM
To: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: Fwd: media request: looking for attribution for quotes in a FedTech article

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Elizabeth Neus <elizabeth.neus@manifest.com>
Date: June 19, 2019 at 2:57:40 PM EDT
To: "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Cc: "Labbe, Ken" <Labbe.Ken@epa.gov>, Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: media request: looking for attribution for quotes in a FedTech article

Good afternoon!

Just checking in to see how we should attribute these quotes. Thanks!

betsy

On Thu, Jun 13, 2019 at 4:48 PM Elizabeth Neus <elizabeth.neus@manifest.com> wrote:
Thank you so much!

On Thu, Jun 13, 2019 at 4:45 PM Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:
Checking, Elizabeth.

On Jun 13, 2019, at 4:40 PM, Elizabeth Neus <elizabeth.neus@manifest.com> wrote:

Good afternoon.

I am Jacquelyn Bengfort's editor at FedTech magazine, and she's written an article for me on the EPA's use of storage area networks. She's quoted spokesperson Michael Abboud extensively, but my boss has asked if there's any way we could get an actual IT official on the record. If anyone's willing to just put their name on Michael's quotes, that's fine, especially since Michael provided exactly what we needed. Here's the segment of the article in which he's quoted:

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In 2013, the EPA moved its entire workforce — at the time, more than 18,000 employees and contractors — to the cloud for email and collaboration. The agency has continued to move additional functions and data to the cloud.

"The EPA is fully engaged in an agency-wide campaign to migrate end user data to OneDrive and shared file storage," says Michael Abboud, an EPA spokesperson. "The cloud platform minimizes storage cost and complexity while maximizing accessibility, availability, integrity, security, records management and discovery capabilities."

SANs still remain an important part of the IT mix at the EPA, however. While the agency is working to limit SAN growth, it still needs this sort of data storage for certain applications. Abboud shares

one example: “EPA’s National Computing Center in Research Triangle Park, N.C., recently extended its SAN infrastructure and software to ensure ‘hot’ data is on the fastest physical tier.”

The EPA’s Office of Research and Development (ORD) likewise continues to use SANs to meet information security requirements and support specialized workloads for scientific data at its 13 facilities.

These SANs need to support isolated and interconnected networks, says Abboud.

“Faced with the challenge of refreshing SAN storage for several of these locations, EPA’s ORD disk subsystems managed using virtual SAN software,” explains Abboud. “This solution provided an integrated, cost-efficient, high-performance SAN solution for distributed research laboratories.

“EPA’s private and hybrid cloud platforms will continue to have significant storage area network investments,” he adds.

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Please let us know as soon as possible if there's any IT official to whom we can attribute this material, and also let us know if there's anything in the content that might need to be changed.

thank you!
betsy
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Elizabeth Neus
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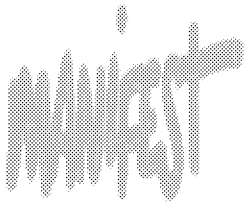

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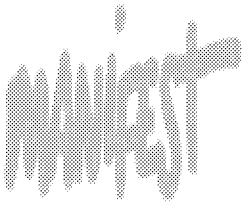

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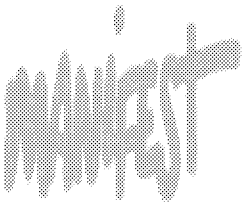

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 11/22/2017 5:37:40 PM
To: Hewitt, James [hewitt.james@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Louisiana Weekly Inquiry on ozone

Roger.

-----Original Message-----
From: Hewitt, James
Sent: Wednesday, November 22, 2017 12:35 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Louisiana Weekly Inquiry on ozone

You can actually quote Enesta. Thanks.

-----Original Message-----
From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Wednesday, November 22, 2017 12:31 PM
To: Hewitt, James <hewitt.james@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Louisiana Weekly Inquiry on ozone

I do indeed, sorry I didn't notify the press box.

BTW, are you, or Liz, OK, for attribution to either of you, as this reporter is requesting?

-----Original Message-----
From: Hewitt, James
Sent: Wednesday, November 22, 2017 12:25 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Louisiana Weekly Inquiry on ozone

Sorry if I missed, but does anyone have this?

-----Original Message-----
From: Susan Buchanan [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
Sent: Wednesday, November 22, 2017 9:43 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Cc: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Louisiana Weekly Inquiry on ozone

Mr. Daguillard and EPA press office,

Thank you for the information from Enesta Jones last night.
Two questions here, please: "Declining due in part to precursor (VOCs and NOx) emissions going down (over what period, and in Louisiana as a whole or in certain parts of the state?)"

Also, we can't attribute to an anonymous spokesperson. We need a name, or at the very least an office and location at EPA.
I appreciate your help.

Regards, Susan, Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

On Tue, 11/21/17, Susan Buchanan < Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) > wrote:

Subject: RE: Inquiry on ozone
To: "EnestaJones" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Cc: "Press" <Press@epa.gov>
Date: Tuesday, November 21, 2017, 8:30 PM

Enesta,

Thank you so much for this information
Two questions here, please:
"Declining due in part to precursor (VOCs and NOx) emissions going down (over what period, and in Louisiana as a whole or certain parts of the state?)"

Also, we can't attribute to an anonymous spokesperson. We need a name, or at the very least an office and location at EPA.
I appreciate all your help,
Enesta.

Thanks again, Susan, Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
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On Tue, 11/21/17, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
wrote:

Subject: RE: Inquiry on Ozone
To: "Susan Buchanan" <Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)>
Cc: "Press" <Press@epa.gov>
Date: Tuesday, November 21, 2017, 7:19 PM

Hi Susan, our responses are attributable to an EPA spokesperson:

Is ozone smog increasing or declining in Louisiana or greater New Orleans, and why?

EPA Response: Declining due in part to precursor (VOCs and NOx) emissions going down.

Is exposure to oil-and-gas pollution among African Americans in Louisiana increasing or declining?

EPA Response: We don't have information on exposure to oil and gas emissions.

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Buchanan [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]

Sent: Tuesday, November 21, 2017 10:53 AM

To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>

Subject: Re: Inquiry on Ozone

Hi Enesta,

Thank you so much for your phone call and email today. I appreciate your help on my pollution story.
My deadline is tonight, Tuesday, Nov. 21.

Thanks again, Susan, Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

On Tue, 11/21/17, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
wrote:

Subject: Inquiry on Ozone
To: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Cc: "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Date: Tuesday, November 21, 2017, 7:35 AM

Hi Susan, per my voicemail, I am

reaching out re:
your inquiry on ozone and
oil/gas.

After I left my voicemail, David Gray
shared your
email.

Please let me know your hard
deadline.

Thanks,
Enesta

Message

From: Schiermeyer, Corry [schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov]
Sent: 5/9/2019 4:42:01 PM
To: Abboud, Michael [abboud.michael@epa.gov]; Hewitt, James [hewitt.james@epa.gov]
CC: Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]; McFaul, Jessica [mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: cost benefit
Attachments: image2019-05-09-010601.pdf

We need to Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Following the interview and publication, we will share more broadly…but until then, this is close hold.

Thank you!

From: Jackson, Ryan
Sent: Thursday, May 9, 2019 12:37 PM
To: Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>; Jones, Lindsey <jones.lindsey@epa.gov>; Lovell, Will (William) <lovell.william@epa.gov>; Bolen, Brittany <bolen.brittany@epa.gov>
Subject: cost benefit

All, the attached has now been signed.

We, of course, want to highlight this press wise. Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) If we need to Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) I leave it to Corry to plan, but Friday is Friday, Monday is a long, Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

I'm holding the orange folder in my office presently to allow us to get a plan together before its distributed throughout the program offices.

From: DC-WJCN-3402-M@epa.gov <DC-WJCN-3402-M@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, May 9, 2019 1:06 AM
To: Jackson, Ryan <jackson.ryan@epa.gov>
Subject:

Message

From: Graham, Amy [graham.amy@epa.gov]
Sent: 9/8/2017 3:58:57 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: News Release - API: Improved implementation of ozone standards will help local economies and ensure job security

Ok

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 8, 2017, at 11:33 AM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

> Amy's name ok for attribution?
>
> **From:** Sean Reilly <sreilly@eenews.net>
> **Date:** September 8, 2017 at 11:31:34 AM EDT
> **To:** "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** "Lynn, Tricia" <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>, Press <Press@epa.gov>
> **Subject: RE: News Release - API: Improved implementation of ozone standards will help local economies and ensure job security**
>
> Thanks, Enesta. I need to have this on the record; to whom can I attribute it?
>
> Also, as noted in my other email today to Tricia, I have four outstanding questions from two weeks ago to which I have thus far received no answers. Does EPA plan to address those?
>
> Sean
>
> ---
>
> **From:** Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
> **Sent:** Friday, September 08, 2017 11:25 AM
> **To:** Sean Reilly <sreilly@eenews.net>
> **Cc:** Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** Re: News Release - API: Improved implementation of ozone standards will help local economies and ensure job security
>
> Hi Sean, attributable to an EPA spokesperson:
>
> There are no new updates at this time.

The agency is currently evaluating a host of complex issues regarding the 2015 ozone NAAQS and its implementation, such as understanding the role of background ozone levels, appropriately accounting for international transport, and the processes associated with obtaining preconstruction air pollution permits for stationary sources.

Have a great weekend if we don't talk again.

On Sep 8, 2017, at 10:09 AM, Sean Reilly <sreilly@eenews.net> wrote:

HI again, Tricia:

On the same general topic for the same story referenced in my previous email, the groups signing on to the attached letter are asking EPA to reconsider the 2015 ozone NAAQS. Has EPA made any decision on that front? Same deadline: 11:45 a.m.

Thanks,
Sean

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<NAAQS - State Coalition Letter 2017.pdf>

Message

From: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
Sent: 6/4/2019 5:03:38 PM
To: Dennis, Allison [Dennis.Allison@epa.gov]; Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
CC: Mayer, Lauren [mayer.lauren@epa.gov]; Hewitt, James [hewitt.james@epa.gov]; Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: CWA Memo Announcement for Monday afternoo

Looping john and james

From: Dennis, Allison
Sent: Tuesday, June 4, 2019 1:03 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Cc: Mayer, Lauren <mayer.lauren@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: CWA Memo Announcement for Monday afternoo

Are these facetweets ok to go out from the main and OW accounts?

From: Dennis, Allison
Sent: Monday, June 3, 2019 4:43 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Cc: Mayer, Lauren <mayer.lauren@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: CWA Memo Announcement for Monday afternoo

How's this for a FaceTweet. Did you want this issued from the main account or OW's?

EPA Main: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

EPA OW: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Monday, June 03, 2019 4:03 PM
To: Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>; Hewitt, James <hewitt.james@epa.gov>; Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>; McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>; Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: CWA Memo Announcement for Monday afternoo

To go out this afternoon- Allison - please confirm that this is the correct version thx ng

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

> **From:** "Dennis, Allison" <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>
> **Date:** June 3, 2019 at 2:41:17 PM EDT
> **To:** "McFaul, Jessica" <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>, "Carter, Brittany S." <carter.brittanys@epa.gov>, "Rodrick, Christian" <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>

Cc: "Konkus, John" <konkus.john@epa.gov>, "Lyons, Troy" <lyons.troy@epa.gov>, "Schiermeyer, Corry" <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>, "Grantham, Nancy" <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>, "Drinkard, Andrea" <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>, "Frye, Tony (Robert)" <frye.robert@epa.gov>, "Bowles, Jack" <Bowles.Jack@epa.gov>, "Borum, Denis" <Borum.Denis@epa.gov>, "Kaiser, Sven-Erik" <Kaiser.Sven-Erik@epa.gov>, "Skane, Elizabeth" <Skane.Elizabeth@epa.gov>, "Hanson, Andrew" <Hanson.Andrew@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: CWA Memo Announcement for Monday afternoon

+ others

All,

Attached is the final approval PR Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) and an additional tweak from Dave). Dave will be signing the memo in the next 20 minutes.

OPA- are you ok with issuing the attached PR at 3:30 or 4 today?

Unrelated- I understand Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

-Allison

From: Dennis, Allison
Sent: Sunday, June 02, 2019 8:26 AM
To: McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>; Carter, Brittany S. <carter.brittanys@epa.gov>; Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>
Cc: Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>; Lyons, Troy <lyons.troy@epa.gov>; Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Frye, Tony (Robert) <frye.robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: CWA Memo Announcement for Monday afternoon

Thank you Jessica!

Attached is the revised PR that incorporates Dave's and Jessica's edits. We are waiting to receive one more quote from Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP). Still aiming to get this out tomorrow (Monday) in the afternoon- say 2 or 3 pm? -Allison

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From: McFaul, Jessica
Sent: Saturday, June 01, 2019 3:26 PM
To: Carter, Brittany S. <carter.brittanys@epa.gov>; Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>
Cc: Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>; Lyons, Troy <lyons.troy@epa.gov>; Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Frye, Tony (Robert) <frye.robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: CWA Memo Announcement for Monday afternoon

Edits to the release are attached.

From: Carter, Brittany S.
Sent: Friday, May 31, 2019 6:09 PM
To: Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>

Cc: Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>; McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>; Lyons, Troy <lyons.troy@epa.gov>; Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Frye, Tony (Robert) <frye.robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: CWA Memo Announcement for Monday afternoon

Yes thanks for the heads up!

On May 31, 2019, at 5:40 PM, Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov> wrote:

Looks good from my end. We can share with the Hill once it goes live. I suspect Britt's Intergov't folks will be more interested than the hill on this one.

Thanks,

Christian Rodrick

On May 31, 2019, at 4:52 PM, Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov> wrote:

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From: Dennis, Allison
Sent: Friday, May 31, 2019 4:51 PM
To: Schollhamer, Mary <Schollhamer.Mary@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>; McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>; Lyons, Troy <lyons.troy@epa.gov>; Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>; Carter, Brittany S. <carter.brittanys@epa.gov>; Lyons, Troy <lyons.troy@epa.gov>
Cc: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Subject: CWA Memo Announcement for Monday afternoon

-Close Hold Information-

All,

OW just received final AO clearance on the attached guidance from Dave to the RAs that aims to increase the agency's compliance with Clean Water Act deadlines (Note: we need to fix the "to" line on pg 1 to remove the AA mention). With OPA and OCIR's approval, we would like to issue the attached press release Monday afternoon that announces this guidance. I will get Dave's final edits on the PR over the weekend. If this timing works for you all, **could we aim for a 3 pm announcement on Monday?**

OCIR- please note that Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
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<EPA Issues Memo to Increase Compliance with CWA PR 5.29.19.docx>

<CWAdeadlinespolicy-draft.pdf>

Message

From: Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/6/2018 11:19:25 PM
To: Hewitt, James [hewitt.james@epa.gov]; Abboud, Michael [abboud.michael@epa.gov]; Beach, Christopher [beach.christopher@epa.gov]
Subject: Fwd: Heartland Institute President's Statement on Andrew Wheeler Taking Helm at EPA

A little cover for our right flank...

Begin forwarded message:

> **From:** Jim Lakely <JLakely@heartland.org>
> **Date:** July 6, 2018 at 7:11:16 PM EDT
> **To:** "Konkus, John" <konkus.john@epa.gov>
> **Subject: FW: Heartland Institute President's Statement on Andrew Wheeler Taking Helm at EPA**
>
> Here you go. Also at link below.
>
> https://www.heartland.org/news-opinion/news/press-release-heartland-institute-presidents-statement-on-andrew-wheeler-taking-helm-at-epa
>
> Jim Lakely
> Director of Communications
> The Heartland Institute
> 3939 North Wilke Drive
> Arlington Heights, IL 60004
> o: 312-377-4000
> c: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
> Twitter: @HeartlandInst
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> **From:** Jim Lakely [mailto:jlakely@heartland.org]
> **Sent:** Friday, July 06, 2018 4:55 PM
> **To:** Jim Lakely
> **Subject:** Heartland Institute President's Statement on Andrew Wheeler Taking Helm at EPA

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FREEDOM RISING

Heartland Institute President's Statement on Andrew Wheeler Taking Helm at EPA

Scott Pruitt resigned as Environmental Protection Agency Administrator on Thursday and today was his last day in the position. Andrew Wheeler, the current deputy administrator, takes over as "acting administrator" on Monday, July 9.

The following statement from Tim Huelskamp, Ph.D., president of The Heartland Institute, may be used for attribution. To book a Heartland guest on your program, please contact Director of Communications Jim Lakely at media@heartland.org and 312/377-4000 or (cell) 312/731-9364.

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"With his resume of commitment to the cause of common sense policymaking, Andrew Wheeler is an excellent choice to run the EPA, and we are excited to work with him.

"Just like the extremist Left had it out for Scott Pruitt before he was even sworn in, they have targeted Wheeler as well. However, we doubt these personal attacks will deter Wheeler from his noble goal to focus the EPA on its core mission of helping to keep America's air, land, and water clean of pollution. Wheeler has also pledged to bring more certainty to environmental permitting, encourage the practice of agency transparency and consistent and frequent public communication, and to quickly solve environmental problems.

"We wish Mr. Wheeler luck, because his success at the head of the EPA will be good news for all Americans who care about the environment, sound science, and economic growth, especially President Donald Trump."

Tim Huelskamp, Ph.D.
President & CEO
The Heartland Institute
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Dr. Huelskamp represented Kansas' 1st District in the House of Representatives from 2011 to 2017.

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Message

From: Jones.Enesta@epa.gov [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: 2/6/2019 7:28:20 PM
Subject: For Review: Chemistry World (Rebecca Trager) re PFAS (2/5)

A slightly revised version for your approval is below. ORD and OW had edits. OK to send?

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Background

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Wednesday, February 06, 2019 12:48 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: For Review: Chemistry World (Rebecca Trager) re PFAS (2/5)

Ok to send?
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From: "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Date: February 6, 2019 at 7:31:51 AM EST
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: For Review: Chemistry World (Rebecca Trager) re PFAS (2/5)

Coordinated response with ORD and OW:

For attribution to an EPA spokesperson:

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

On background: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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What are the current scientific gaps that are holding back regulation and action regarding PFAS?

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Hi Kacey,

Thanks for getting back to me, my deadline is Tuesday afternoon. I would like to talk with Dr. Strynar about PFAS, and about his experience helping to uncover GenX contamination in the Cape Fear River. Specifically, I am also interested in asking him the following questions:

1. What are PFAS and why are they so problematic? In other words, why are we increasingly hearing about them in the news, and what are the human health and environmental concerns?
2. Why are these compounds still being manufactured and added to consumer goods in the US and globally, despite these concerns?
3. Companies have phased out long-chain PFAS like PFOS and PFOA and replaced them with new, short-chain PFAS. However, I am hearing conflicting things about whether these are actually safer or not – what is your take?
4. There are at least 4,700 different PFAS is existence right now. Given all the scientific uncertainty and the obvious fact that that's too many compounds to test individually, is it appropriate to proceed by regulating PFAS as a group? Why or why not?
5. What are the current scientific gaps that are holding back regulation and action regarding PFAS?

From: Rebecca Trager <tragerr@rsc.org>
Sent: Thursday, January 31, 2019 1:09 PM
To: Strynar, Mark <strynar.mark@epa.gov>
Subject: Media inquiry
Importance: High

Hi Dr. Strynar,

I am the U.S. correspondent for a magazine called Chemistry World, and am reaching out while writing a story about PFAS regulation. I was hoping to talk with you for about 10 minutes by phone (on or off the record) about your experience in helping to identify GenX in the Cape Fear River. You can reach me at this email address, or by phone at Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP). Alternatively, I am happy to call you if you tell me a convenient time and number to reach you.

Thanks in advance,

Rebecca

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Message

From: Jones.Enesta@epa.gov [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: 8/15/2018 11:16:10 PM
Subject: Fwd: Press Inquiry about Climate Change

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Dinah Eng < Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) >
Date: August 15, 2018 at 7:07:23 PM EDT
To: "Jones, Enesta" <jones.enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Press Inquiry about Climate Change

Hi Enesta,

Just checking back on answers to the questions below for my article for NewsPro magazine? My deadline is next Wednesday, Aug. 22, and I'd appreciate getting your responses by then.

Many thanks,
Dinah

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Dinah Eng < Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) >
Subject: Re: Press Inquiry about Climate Change
Date: August 7, 2018 at 10:59:44 AM PDT
To: "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>

Hi Enesta,

Thank you for your quick response. Here are a few questions…

1. Since the departure of Administrator Scott Pruitt, some reporters note a new openness to the media under EPA Acting Administrator Scott Wheeler. When Mr. Wheeler took over, what

changes in media policy and practices did he institute? Calendar updates, response times from press staff, etc.
2. How many interviews has Mr. Wheeler given since taking office, and who are some of the media outlets he spoke with? Does he plan to have regular press briefings?
3. In the past, reporters critical of Mr. Pruitt's practices were barred from covering EPA events. How has that changed?
4. In the inaugural "town hall" that Mr. Wheeler held for employees, he apparently did not mention climate change. What is his stance on the climate change issue?

Many thanks,
Dinah

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On Aug 7, 2018, at 4:01 AM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Dinah, feel free to email your specific questions.

On Aug 6, 2018, at 10:03 PM, Dinah Eng < Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) > wrote:

Hi Enesta,

I'm writing an article for NewsPro, a Crain publication for journalists, on media transparency and covering environmental issues.

Would you be able to answer some questions about EPA media coverage under the Trump administration? I'd need about 15 minutes, and my deadline is Friday, Aug. 17.

Many thanks!
Dinah

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Message

From: Jones.Enesta@epa.gov [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/21/2017 9:40:28 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: Budget response

EPA Answer:

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"The root of all joy is gratefulness."

Message

From: DeLuca, Isabel [DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov]
Sent: 4/2/2019 9:05:35 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
CC: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]; Millett, John [Millett.John@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: ENERGYSTAR awards press release & timing

Great, thanks, Nancy.
Enesta—thanks for your note too. The added wording looks fine to me. You are right—press typically don't show for this.

From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Tuesday, April 02, 2019 5:00 PM
To: DeLuca, Isabel <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov>
Cc: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>; Millett, John <Millett.John@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: ENERGYSTAR awards press release & timing

Will let you know tomorrow

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 2, 2019, at 4:47 PM, DeLuca, Isabel <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov> wrote:

> Hi Nancy & Enesta,
> As we discussed last week, attached is the ENERGYSTAR awards HQ press release.
>
> The program is planning to post the names of the awardees online on Tuesday morning, 4/9, and was hoping the press release could go out at the same time. The goal is to get the press release out a couple of days in advance of the award ceremony on 4/11 to give companies time to put out their own releases before the event. (The companies were notified of their awards several weeks ago, but were told that the information is under embargo until 4/9.)
>
> If there is a conflict on Tuesday morning, let me know if Monday afternoon or Tuesday afternoon would work, and I'll check with the program.
>
> (FYI on the review process in OAR IO – I just sent the complete draft to Bill for review, but he had already approved the quote and the format is similar to last year, so I don't expect big edits. If he or the team has any, I'll let you know asap.)
>
> Also, Nancy, just wanted to check to see if you had a chance to send the regions the spreadsheet and template press release to the regional PADs yet?
>
> Many thanks, and please let me know what you think about timing,
> Isabel
>
> **Isabel DeLuca**
> Office of Air and Radiation, US EPA
> (202) 343-9247
>
> <draft 2019 ENERGY STAR awards HQ release.docx>

Message

From: Lynn, Tricia [lynn.tricia@epa.gov]
Sent: 9/11/2018 2:29:00 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
CC: AO OPA Media Relations [AO_OPA_Media_Relations@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: TRICIA: Subject: Media Inquiry: Recycling

Sure, I'll check.

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Tuesday, September 11, 2018 9:42 AM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Cc: AO OPA Media Relations <AO_OPA_Media_Relations@epa.gov>
Subject: TRICIA: Subject: Media Inquiry: Recycling

Good morning Tricia,

Something for OWOW, maybe? You want to take a crack at it?

Cheers, R.

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Ex. 6 administrator addresss (PP) (M)

From: Wendy Zukerman [mailto:wendyz@gimletmedia.com]
Sent: Tuesday, September 11, 2018 9:39 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>; Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>; Kluesner, Dave <kluesner.dave@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Subject: Media Inquiry: Recycling

Hi Robert, And everyone else. Another quick question. Quite urgent! **Deadline today.**

What is the main source of US plastics getting into the ocean and waterways? (Is this through littering and sewage systems maxing out?

Again, on background. Although - would be great to get an official EPA word.

Thank you

Wendy

On Wed, Sep 5, 2018 at 3:48 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

> Wendy, you may want to reach out to NYC Department of Sanitation's recycling program, which would certainly have better insight into the on-the-ground challenges of a recycling program. You can contact New York Department of Sanitation's press office at 646-885-5020.

Cheers, R.

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From: Wendy Zukerman [mailto:wendyz@gimletmedia.com]
Sent: Tuesday, September 04, 2018 5:34 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>; Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>; Kluesner, Dave <kluesner.dave@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Subject: Media Inquiry: Recycling

Thanks, this is helpful - can I have a quick chat with you over the phone tomorrow morning? Just on background.

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 4, 2018, at 4:07 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Dear Ms. Zukerman, for attribution to U.S. EPA, please:

1) Around the US, what are the kinds of plastics that are recycled? I know all rigid plastics can be recycled in New York - is that true across the US? Does any state regularly recycle non- rigid plastics? Or only a few of the plastics recycled?

EPA's data are used to characterize the national waste stream and are not disaggregated by state. Recycling of specific types of plastics vary by state and locality.

2) Why in New York do we only recycle rigid plastics? Is it an issue of economics? Are the products that come from non-rigid plastics not sellable?

As Region 2 mentioned, we cannot speak to New York's recycling program, but across the United States, we understand that a variety of plastics are recycled. The recycling of plastics overall is relatively low (9.1 percent) though certain plastic products have a higher recycling rate (e.g., the recycling rate for high density polyethylene, HDPE, natural white translucent bottles and polyethylene terephthalate, PET, bottles and jars is around 30 percent).

EPA collects information on the recycling of plastic products and materials in the Advancing Sustainable Materials Management: Facts and Figures report. Table 8, Plastics in Products in Municipal Solid Waste, of the 2015 Data Tables may be of particular interest to you as it shows the amounts of plastics recycled broken up by various categories including durable goods, non-durable goods and containers and packaging. Additionally, the Data Tables have information about of plastic bags, sacks and wraps. Table 24 of the Data Tables shows that 530,000 tons (.53 million tons), about 12.8 percent, were recycled in 2015. You can find the Data Tables on this web page: https://www.epa.gov/facts-and-figures-about-materials-waste-and-recycling/advancing-sustainable-materials-management.

Our website also has explanations about plastics generation, recycling, composting, combustion with energy recovery and landfilling on the following web pages:

- Plastics: Material-Specific Data-- https://www.epa.gov/facts-and-figures-about-materials-waste-and-recycling/plastics-material-specific-data

- Containers and Packaging, Plastic Containers and Packaging-- https://www.epa.gov/facts-and-figures-about-materials-waste-and-recycling/containers-and-packaging-product-specific-data#PlasticC&P

- Nondurable Goods, Plastic Plates and Cups-- https://www.epa.gov/facts-and-figures-about-materials-waste-and-recycling/nondurable-goods-product-specific-data#PlasticPlatesandCups

There are a number of stakeholders engaged in the conversation around plastics and plastic pollution in the United States that may have additional information for you. For example, the American Chemistry Council (ACC), the American Institute for Packaging and the Environment (AMERIPEN), the Sustainable Packaging Coalition (SPC), the Association of Plastics Recyclers (APR) and Plastics Industry Alliance (PIA) are all working with their members to better understand the educational and infrastructural issues associated with plastics waste collection and recycling and to develop ways to approach this problem. Also, a number of state and local programs and businesses provide collection opportunities for non-rigid plastics through the Wrap Recycling

Action Program (WRAP). Plastics collected through this program are used in a number of products available to consumers. A list of WRAP partners and collection points can be found on their website, www.plasticfilmrecycling.org.

Cheers, R.

Robert Daguillard

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From: Wendy Zukerman [mailto:wendyz@gimletmedia.com]
Sent: Friday, August 31, 2018 12:41 PM
To: Deegan, Dave <Deegan.Dave@epa.gov>; Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>
Subject: Media Inquiry: Recycling

Dear Dave and Mary,

My name is Wendy Zukerman and I'm the host of the podcast Science Vs, from Gimlet Media. I'm developing a story on plastics, what is recyclable - and why. I'd love to speak with you on background about a few specific questions I have. Alternatively, I can put them in email if it's easier?

1) Around the US, what are the kinds of plastics that are recycled? I know all rigid plastics can be recycled in New York - is that true across the US? Does any state regularly recycle non- rigid plastics? Or only a few of the plastics recycled?

2) Why in New York do we only recycle rigid plastics? Is it an issue of economics? Are the products that come from non-rigid plastics not sellable?

My deadline is **Tuesday 4th September EOD.**

Do you think you could get back to me by then?

Best,

Wendy

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Message

From: Stevens, Katherine [stevens.katherine@epa.gov]
Sent: 9/10/2019 7:57:23 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Press Inquiry: Speak to someone about storm/flood clean up?

IDK if we'll get that back to her by COB today, but will try.

Kati

Kati Stevens
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From: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, September 10, 2019 3:51 PM
To: Stevens, Katherine <stevens.katherine@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Press Inquiry: Speak to someone about storm/flood clean up?

Follow up:

For moisture levels, I see that you recommend that it's ideally between 30 and 50 percent—is that humidity level safe to put wood/furniture/drywall back in your home as well?

On Sep 10, 2019, at 2:38 PM, Stevens, Katherine <stevens.katherine@epa.gov> wrote:

Yes.

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To: Stevens, Katherine <stevens.katherine@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Press Inquiry: Speak to someone about storm/flood clean up?

Appreciate it, Kati. And this is all public right?

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Stevens, Katherine" <stevens.katherine@epa.gov>
Date: September 10, 2019 at 2:33:55 PM EDT
To: "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Press Inquiry: Speak to someone about storm/flood clean up?

Hi, Enesta,

Here you go. Let me know if you need me to condense anything.

Best,
Kati

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Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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Message

From: Lynn, Tricia [lynn.tricia@epa.gov]
Sent: 6/27/2018 3:04:40 PM
To: Mark Halsall [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
CC: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Article on Regulation of Carbon Dioxide Storage in North Dakota

Hi Mark—

My colleague, Enesta Jones, is back from leave and will be able to help you out. She's cc'd here for your convenience.

Best,

Tricia

From: Mark Halsall [mailto[Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
Sent: Wednesday, June 27, 2018 10:32 AM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Article on Regulation of Carbon Dioxide Storage in North Dakota

Hi Lynn.

Here are those questions for the carbon capture and sequestration article I'm writing, as promised:

- North Dakota is the first state in the U.S. to be given authority to regulate underground wells used for long-term storage of waste carbon dioxide captured from industrial sources. What is the significance of this agreement between the EPA and North Dakota?

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Thanks for help, Lynn.

Regards,

Mark Halsall

Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

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Mark

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In any case, to begin I'll need a list of your specific questions and hard deadline. Can you please supply those at your earliest convenience?

Thanks so much,

Tricia

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From: Mark Halsall [mailto Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
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Date: Wed, Jun 20, 2018 at 12:14 PM
Subject: Re: Article on Regulation of Carbon Dioxide Storage in North Dakota
To: Mark Halsall < Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) >

Thanks for this Mark. Folks in our national press office should be able to help with this. Best is 202-564-4355 or press@epa.gov.

Rich Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Sent from my iPhone

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To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Article on Regulation of Carbon Dioxide Storage in North Dakota

Thanks!

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Wednesday, June 27, 2018 11:03 AM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Article on Regulation of Carbon Dioxide Storage in North Dakota

Sure.

On Jun 27, 2018, at 10:59 AM, Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Enesta—

I believe I started this while you were out, and he's just now gotten back with his questions. Can you take it?

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Subject: RE: Press Inquiry: Speak to someone about storm/flood clean up?

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Sent: 8/1/2018 6:10:31 PM
To: Pierce, Alison [Pierce.Alison@epa.gov]; Strauss, Linda [Strauss.Linda@epa.gov]
CC: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]; Ortiz, Julia [Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov]; Dunton, Cheryl [Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: ASTM SN interview participation request

The outlet is happy with the pictures. Thanks everybody.

Cheers, R.

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From: Pierce, Alison
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2018 4:07 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Strauss, Linda <Strauss.Linda@epa.gov>
Cc: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>; Ortiz, Julia <Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov>; Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>
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Robert – These are the highest-res photos that Elise has; would these work for the outlet?

Thanks much,
Alison

ALISON PIERCE
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From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2018 9:18 AM
To: Strauss, Linda <Strauss.Linda@epa.gov>
Cc: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>; Pierce, Alison <Pierce.Alison@epa.gov>; Ortiz, Julia <Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov>; Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>
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Good morning y'all. Does Elise have a high-resolution photograph she could share with the outlet?

Cheers, R.

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To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>; Pierce, Alison <Pierce.Alison@epa.gov>; Ortiz, Julia <Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov>; Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: ASTM SN interview participation request

Cross that bridge - written better. Thanks, Robert.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 30, 2018, at 4:55 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Colleagues, OPA has approved both the written response and the interview. I sent the reporter the attached, unedited, for attribution to Elise.

Since Nancy B. has approved an interview, should I go ahead and set one up if the reporter comes back with follow-up questions? Or should we cross that bridge when we get to it?

Cheers, R.

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From: Strauss, Linda
Sent: Tuesday, July 24, 2018 11:04 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>; Pierce, Alison <Pierce.Alison@epa.gov>; Ortiz, Julia <Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov>; Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>
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Written is always easier.

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Tuesday, July 24, 2018 11:02 AM
To: Strauss, Linda <Strauss.Linda@epa.gov>; Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>; Pierce, Alison <Pierce.Alison@epa.gov>; Ortiz, Julia <Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov>; Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: ASTM SN interview participation request

Just sent the interview approval request to OPA before finding your follow-up. Does that change anything?

Cheers, R.

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Subject: FW: ASTM SN interview participation request

On 2nd thought, since everyone is happy with the attached, why don't we just provide a written response vs. interview.

(Thanks, Alison.)

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Subject: FW: ASTM SN interview participation request

Enesta and Robert, Nancy Beck is fine with this interview. Do you want to set up with Elise Owens and keep us in the loop? Thanks.

From: Pierce, Alison
Sent: Monday, July 23, 2018 5:27 PM
To: Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>; Strauss, Linda <Strauss.Linda@epa.gov>
Cc: Ortiz, Julia <Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: ASTM SN interview participation request

Linda, Cheryl – OPPT is comfortable with Elise taking this "interview." Attached are draft proposed answers, as cleared by management here.

Let us know of any questions.

Thanks,
Alison

ALISON PIERCE
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Cheryl, the reporter just reached back out.

She'd like to hear back by Aug. 8 (later than the original July 27 request).

We will see the edited interview (with several U.S. standards execs) for review before they go to print.

On Jul 12, 2018, at 3:56 PM, Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov> wrote:

Yes we can do this in writing.

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Thursday, July 12, 2018 3:48 PM
To: Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>
Cc: Pierce, Alison <Pierce.Alison@epa.gov>; Ortiz, Julia <Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov>; Strauss, Linda <Strauss.Linda@epa.gov>
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Hi again Cheryl, can the staffer just answer the questions in writing? If yes, I can get it approved by the IO at that time.

On Jul 12, 2018, at 3:38 PM, Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Enesta – one of our folks received the below interview request. Could you please touch base w/ the reporter and let us know if OPA is ok with us doing this interview? Thanks.

From: Enright, Cicely [mailto:cenright@astm.org]
Sent: Tuesday, July 10, 2018 8:48 AM
To: Owen, Elise <Owen.Elise@epa.gov>
Subject: ASTM SN interview participation request

Dear Elise,

We plan to include an interview with you – and other U.S. government agency standards executives – in the Sept./Oct. issue of ASTM Standardization News.

I am writing to request your participation and responses to two questions, below. I would be glad to call you for these responses or to receive them by email by July 27. We will then edit the responses (for style and space limitations) and send them to you for a final review.

ASTM SN interviews range from leaders of industry groups to, most recently, representatives of the partner organizations that are involved with the new ASTM International Center of Excellence in Additive Manufacturing. You'll find an archive of the interviews online at www.astm.org/standardization-news/?q=first-person.

And, we would like an electronic portrait photo (high resolution, minimum 300 dpi) of you to include with the interview.

Thanks for your interest and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Kind regards,

Cicely

Cicely Enright
Associate Editor

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--What roles do international standards – such as those from ASTM International – play in enhancing global regulatory convergence? What are some of the barriers to such convergence?

--What are some the emerging issues that could change (i.e., stifle or enhance) public/private collaboration in standards development at your agency?

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CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
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Message

From: Sauerhage, Maggie [Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov]
Sent: 9/3/2019 4:22:23 PM
To: Abboud, Michael [abboud.michael@epa.gov]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]; Schiermeyer, Corry [schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: For Review: Draft report on "Potential Approaches for Characterizing the Estimated Benefits of Reducing PM2.5 at Low Concentrations"

Mike, are you ok with the below going to Sean Reilly?

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Maggie Sauerhage
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Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

From: Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, September 03, 2019 12:21 PM
To: Sauerhage, Maggie <Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: For Review: Draft report on "Potential Approaches for Characterizing the Estimated Benefits of Reducing PM2.5 at Low Concentrations"

I would strike the first sentence…see if Michael wants his name on it…

From: Sauerhage, Maggie <Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, September 3, 2019 12:07 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: For Review: Draft report on "Potential Approaches for Characterizing the Estimated Benefits of Reducing PM2.5 at Low Concentrations"

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Response attributable to XX:

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From: Sean Reilly <sreilly@eenews.net>
Sent: Tuesday, September 03, 2019 11:55 AM
To: Sauerhage, Maggie <Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>; Tsirigotis, Peter <Tsirigotis.Peter@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Draft report on "Potential Approaches for Characterizing the Estimated Benefits of Reducing PM2.5 at Low Concentrations"

Hi Maggie:

Just checking back: do you expect to have a response?

Sean

From: Sauerhage, Maggie <Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, September 03, 2019 9:13 AM
To: Sean Reilly <sreilly@eenews.net>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>; Tsirigotis, Peter <Tsirigotis.Peter@epa.gov>
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Good morning Sean,

Checking on this for you.

Thanks,
Maggie

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Sent: 9/3/2019 3:12:32 PM
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Subject: RE: Draft report on "Potential Approaches for Characterizing the Estimated Benefits of Reducing PM2.5 at Low Concentrations"

OK, Maggie. I presume that Mr. Tsirigotis referred my question to you. On-the-record response, please.

Thanks,
Sean

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 8/29/2019 7:05:12 PM
To: Peg Davis [pegdavis@fbnewsleader.com]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]; Jenkins, Brandi [Jenkins.Brandi@epa.gov]; Wise, Allison [Wise.Allison@epa.gov]; Harris-Young, Dawn [Harris-Young.Dawn@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Subject: Re this EPA Seeks Public Input on 20 High-Priority Chemical Substances Proposal PR, are any of these facilities in Florida?

Peg, for attribution to "an EPA Spokesperson," please:

It's important to note that identifying a chemical substance as High-Priority does not mean we've determined that the substance poses an unreasonable risk to human health and the environment.

It's also important to note that TRI measures releases of chemicals, but not exposure to them.

Of the five ZIP code localities specified, only the 32034 locality had any facilities report for 2017, the most recent year of TRI data available. In that ZIP code two paper manufacturing facilities reported formaldehyde releases. There were no reported releases of any of the other 19 chemical substances. Rayonier Performance Fibers reported on-site waste treatment and on-site disposal or other releases. The Westrock facility reported on-site waste treatment and both on- and off-site disposal or other releases.

For more information on these terms, visit our definitions page: https://www.epa.gov/toxics-release-inventory-tri-program/descriptions-tri-data-terms

This report provides information on the quantity of formaldehyde reported by both facilities: https://enviro.epa.gov/triexplorer/quantity_fac?p_view=ZPCH&sort=_VIEW_&sort_fmt=1&ZipCode=32034&epa_region=&state=&county=&year=2017&chemical=000050000&FLD=pprecon&FLD=pprecof&FLD=ppengon&FLD=ppengof&FLD=pptrton&FLD=pptrtof&FLD=pprela&FLD=pprelb&FLD=pprelc&FLD=ppreld&FLD=pprel&FLD=pprem&industry=ALL&tab_rpt=3&trilib=TRIQ1

For context, this report provides information on the quantity of formaldehyde reported to TRI by paper manufacturing facilities nationally: https://enviro.epa.gov/triexplorer/release_chem?p_view=USCH&trilib=TRIQ1&sort=_VIEW_&sort_fmt=1&state=All+states&county=All+counties&chemical=000050000&industry=322&year=2017&tab_rpt=1&fld=RELLBY&fld=TSFDSP

Please visit this page to learn about how to understand TRI data: https://www.epa.gov/toxics-release-inventory-tri-program/tri-researchers, or we're happy to answer any follow-up questions.

Cheers, R.

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From: Peg Davis <pegdavis@fbnewsleader.com>
Sent: Friday, August 23, 2019 4:36 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>; Jenkins, Brandi <Jenkins.Brandi@epa.gov>; Wise, Allison <Wise.Allison@epa.gov>; Harris-Young, Dawn <Harris-Young.Dawn@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Subject: Re this EPA Seeks Public Input on 20 High-Priority Chemical Substances Proposal PR, are any of these facilities in Florida?

If any facility on or near Fernandina Beach or Nassau County currently reports or ever reported on these chemicals, that will be the story, so just let me know.

I am just not savvy enough with the EPA data online to quickly figure it out.

Thank you!

Peg Davis
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NEWS LEADER

On Aug 23, 2019, at 4:33 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Good afternoon and thanks for reaching out,

We at EPA Headquarters are happy to look into this for you. Are you writing a story on deadline or – as it sounds like to me – looking for info for research into a possible future story? Happy to discuss as needed.

Cheers, R.

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Resent-From: <Press@epa.gov>
From: Peg Davis <pegdavis@fbnewsleader.com>
Date: August 23, 2019 at 4:24:27 PM EDT
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re this EPA Seeks Public Input on 20 High-Priority Chemical Substances Proposal PR, are any of these facilities in Florida?
Hello,
Are any of the facilities reporting on any of these 20 chemical substances located in Florida? If so, will you please provide me with a list of all of the facilities in Florida that report any of these 20 substances.

Thank you, and have a good weekend,

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 8/29/2019 12:59:05 PM
To: Oliver Milman [oliver.milman@theguardian.com]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Subject: Questions for Guardian story on TV chemical safety

Looks like we'll beat it,

For attribution to "an EPA Spokesperson," please:

In June of this year, EPA proposed a rule to address Decabromodiphenyl ether, or DecaBDE by reducing exposures to the extent practicable. The proposed rule would prohibit the manufacture (including import), processing, and distribution in commerce of DecaBDE, and products containing DecaBDE (including televisions), for all but a few specific uses:

- Manufacture, processing, and distribution in commerce for use in parts for new aircraft and aerospace vehicles, and distribution in commerce of the new vehicles containing such parts, for a period of three years, after which the prohibitions would go into effect;
- Manufacture, processing, and distribution in commerce for use in curtains in the hospitality industry, and the distribution of the curtains themselves, for a period of 18 months, after which the prohibitions would go into effect;
- Manufacture, processing, and distribution in commerce for use in replacement parts for the automotive and aerospace industries, and distribution in commerce of the replacement parts themselves;
- Processing for recycling and distribution in commerce for recycling of plastic that contained DecaBDE before the plastic was recycled (i.e., the plastic to be recycled is from articles and products that were originally made with DecaBDE), so long as no new DecaBDE is added during the recycling process; and
- Processing and distribution in commerce of articles and products made from recycled plastic that contained DecaBDE before the plastic was recycled, so long as no new DecaBDE was added during the recycling process or to the articles and products made from the recycled plastic.

EPA is asking for public comments on its proposed rulemaking regarding DecaBDE until September 27, 2019.

For more information on the proposed rule, visit:https://www.epa.gov/assessing-and-managing-chemicals-under-tsca/persistent-bioaccumulative-and-toxic-pbt-chemicals-under

Cheers, R.

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From: Oliver Milman <oliver.milman@theguardian.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2019 8:39 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Subject: Questions for Guardian story on TV chemical safety

Probably Friday, I'd say

On Wed, 28 Aug 2019 at 16:37, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Oliver, touching base, as promised. I don't know that we'll get back to you today, but what's the latest we can send you a response?

Cheers, R.

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From: Oliver Milman <oliver.milman@theguardian.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 27, 2019 1:21 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Subject: Questions for Guardian story on TV chemical safety

Hi Robert, they haven't confirmed the exact date of the embargo but anticipate next week. I'm keen to get some time to write it first but if you need more time to get information on this than tomorrow, that's fine

On Tue, 27 Aug 2019 at 10:29, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Oliver, thanks for reaching out,

I'd spend the last few minutes browsing through the report, for my own edification, but does your end-of-day Wednesday deadline coincide with the expiration of the mbargo? Are you looking to publish your story Thursday?

Cheers, R.

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Resent-From: <Press@epa.gov>
From: Oliver Milman <oliver.milman@theguardian.com>
Date: August 27, 2019 at 9:57:28 AM EDT
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Questions for Guardian story on TV chemical safety

Hello there,

I have some questions regarding the attached report, which claims that six TVs sold in the US by BestBuy and Amazon contain hazardous flame retardants.

Could you please get back to me on the following by the close of business tomorrow:

What is the EPA's reaction to this report - does it tally with any of the agency's own findings?

Has the EPA conducted testing for toxins associated with TVs sold in the US?

Is the public at any risk from these TVs?

The report calls for the EPA to end the production, import and all uses of deca-BDE. Could you please let me know if this is something the agency is considering?

Look forward to hearing back from you.

Many thanks,

Oliver

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Oliver Milman

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CC: awittenberg@eenews.net
Subject: RE: Ruth Etzel

Many thanks for getting back to us, Mike. Really appreciate it. We will quote your statement below to you on the record as an EPA spokesman in our story. If you have anything else to add in response to our questions, please get back to us before our deadline of close of business today. Thanks again for your help and talk to you all later!

-Kevin

From: Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, August 27, 2019 3:20 PM
To: Kevin Bogardus <kbogardus@eenews.net>; Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>; McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>; Beach, Christopher <beach.christopher@epa.gov>; Woods, Andrea <Woods.Andrea@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Cc: Ariel Wittenberg <awittenberg@eenews.net>
Subject: RE: Ruth Etzel

Hey Kevin and Ariel, see below.

"After undergoing a performance review by career EPA staff, and pending further actions, it was determined that Dr. Etzel be moved to a non-supervisory role in another department following her reinstatement in March 2019. EPA has now appointed Jeanne Briskin to head up the Office of Children's Health Protection who will advance Administrator Wheeler's priorities on children's health, and fulfill the Agency's mission."

From: Kevin Bogardus <kbogardus@eenews.net>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 4:13 PM
To: Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>; Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>; McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>; Beach, Christopher <beach.christopher@epa.gov>; Woods, Andrea <Woods.Andrea@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Cc: awittenberg@eenews.net
Subject: Ruth Etzel

Hey everyone,

It's Kevin Bogardus with E&E News.

Myself and my colleague Ariel Wittenberg (who is CCed on this email) are working on a story about Ruth Etzel, the former director of EPA's Office of Children's Health Protection. In our story, we are linking to and quoting from EPA emails and personnel records that I obtained under the Freedom of Information Act (please see attached). I had a few questions about this, which are:

- Etzel was given a pay raise in January 2018 (please see Page 5 R Etzel complete eOPF_Redacted) and a cash award in August 2018 (please see Page 2 R Etzel complete eOPF_Redacted), about a month before she was put on leave. Why did Etzel get a pay raise and a cash award when there were allegations about her leadership of OCHP?

- We will say that Etzel was told she was not ready to brief EPA leadership on the federal lead strategy about three weeks before she was put on leave (please see 834-835 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019_). Do you have any additional comment?

- We will say that Etzel said she was going to finish the federal lead strategy in June 2018 (please see 840 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019_). Why was it delayed?

- We will say that OCHP had a 360 leadership assessment that raised "several concerns" (please see 702 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019_). What were those concerns?

- We will say that EPA Chief of Staff Ryan Jackson questioned why the American Academy of Pediatrics wasn't familiar with OCHP (please see 616 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019_). Do you have any additional comment?

- We will quote emails from John Konkus and Jackson discussing press strategy in response to Etzel being put on leave, such as "opportunity to strike" and "press pushing back on her" (please see 3 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019_, 555 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019_ and 556 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019_). Do you have any additional comment?

- We will say that Konkus received a list of EPA children's health-related grants (please see 594-598 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019_). Why was Konkus reviewing such grants? I ask because his grants review was rescinded in May 2018, according to this email (https://www.eenews.net/assets/2018/06/18/document_gw_19.pdf).

- We will quote emails from OCHP officials saying they were not consulted on the children's health booklet (please see 334-335 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019_). Why weren't OCHP officials consulted on this booklet?

- We will say Veronica Darwin gathered materials on children's health for the booklet (please see 565 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019_). Do you have any additional comment?

- We will say that Etzel returned to EPA in March 2019 and was reassigned to "unclassified duties" in the Office of Water's Office of Science and Technology (please see Page 4 R Etzel complete eOPF_Redacted). Do you have any additional comment?

Please get back to me as soon as possible. My deadline is close of business Wednesday, Aug. 28, but the sooner you get back to me, the more it helps my reporting. Thank you for your help.

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Message

From: Allington, Adam [aallington@bloombergenvironment.com]
Sent: 8/23/2018 2:03:13 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: URGENT: Media request from Bloomberg

I'm at my desk and ready whenever you guys are.

703-341-5692

Thanks.

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, August 23, 2018 8:49 AM
To: Allington, Adam <aallington@bloombergenvironment.com>
Cc: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: URGENT: Media request from Bloomberg

Adam, what's the number to reach you on at 10 a.m. today? Direct or cell?

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We can do 10 a.m. ET tomorrow.
It's on background. Not for attribution/direct sourcing.
We have 45 mins tops for the discussion.

What's the best number to reach you on? We will call you.

On Aug 22, 2018, at 2:49 PM, Allington, Adam <aallington@bloombergenvironment.com> wrote:

How about any time before 11:00 a.m?

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, August 22, 2018 2:29 PM
To: Allington, Adam <aallington@bloombergenvironment.com>
Subject: Re: URGENT: Media request from Bloomberg

Great.

Deadline time tomorrow?

Any times that do not work for you?

On Aug 22, 2018, at 2:28 PM, Allington, Adam <aallington@bloombergenvironment.com> wrote:

Yep. Tomorrow morning would work.

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, August 22, 2018 2:10 PM

To: Allington, Adam <aallington@bloombergenvironment.com>
Subject: Re: URGENT: Media request from Bloomberg

And tomorrow morning? Is that an option, Adam?

On Aug 22, 2018, at 2:09 PM, Allington, Adam <aallington@bloombergenvironment.com> wrote:

I could if that is the only option, but 4:30 would be much better, as I'm usually heading out the door for daycare pickup right at 5:00

Thanks, Enesta.

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, August 22, 2018 1:50 PM
To: Allington, Adam <aallington@bloombergenvironment.com>
Subject: Re: URGENT: Media request from Bloomberg

Can you do 5 pm today?

On Aug 22, 2018, at 12:39 PM, Allington, Adam <aallington@bloombergenvironment.com> wrote:

Hello Robert,

I'm working on a story looking at non-target testing for chemicals....kind of based off this blog post from EPA.
https://www.epa.gov/sciencematters/epa-researchers-use-innovative-approach-find-pfas-environment

I'd love to speak with someone from EPA about this, Mark Strynar perhaps.

1. How does non-target analysis work?
2. How new is this approach? Are researchers just now using if for the first time to identifying threats to drinking water and other things in communities?
3. What are the implications going forward?

Ideally, I'd love to speak to someone today, if possible.

Many thanks!
Adam

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Message

From: Rizzuto, Denise Pat [prizzuto@bloombergenvironment.com]
Sent: 8/1/2019 7:09:09 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]; Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: SACC questions: 3 p.m. deadline (that was YESTERDAY"s subject line)

I hate having to get nasty to get a response. But, thank you for getting it to me even if late.

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, August 01, 2019 2:59 PM
To: Rizzuto, Denise Pat <prizzuto@bloombergenvironment.com>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: SACC questions: 3 p.m. deadline (that was YESTERDAY"s subject line)

Funny you should ask:

1. EPA has committed to holding a SACC meeting for each of the first 10 chemicals. The exact number of meetings will be determined by the timing of the release of the draft risk evaluations.

2. Holly Davies was recused from the TSCA SACC peer review of the draft risk evaluation for HBCD .

For attribution to "an EPA Spokesperson," as usual, please.

Cheers, R.

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Sent: Thursday, August 01, 2019 2:57 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>; Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: SACC questions: 3 p.m. deadline (that was YESTERDAY"s subject line)

Never heard back from you yesterday, so I guess EPA declined to comment.

From: Rizzuto, Denise Pat
Sent: Wednesday, July 31, 2019 11:33 AM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>; Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: SACC questions: 3 p.m. deadline

Two questions:

1) How many more SACC meetings will there be this year to complete the peer reviews of all 7 remaining draft risk evaluations?
2) Did Holly Davies recuse herself from reviewing the HBCD risk assessment? I see she's on the public commenters list, which would be unusual for a FACA member to comment on something he/she is peer reviewing.

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Message

From: Kevin Bogardus [kbogardus@eenews.net]
Sent: 8/26/2019 8:12:34 PM
To: Schiermeyer, Corry [schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov]; Abboud, Michael [abboud.michael@epa.gov]; McFaul, Jessica [mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov]; Beach, Christopher [beach.christopher@epa.gov]; Woods, Andrea [Woods.Andrea@epa.gov]; Press [Press@epa.gov]
CC: awittenberg@eenews.net
Subject: Ruth Etzel
Attachments: Page 2 R Etzel complete eOPF_Redacted.pdf; Page 5 R Etzel complete eOPF_Redacted.pdf; 834-835 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019_.pdf; 840 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019.pdf; 702 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019.pdf; 616 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019.pdf; 3 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019.pdf; 555 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019.pdf; 556 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019.pdf; 594-598 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019.pdf; 334-335 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019.pdf; 565 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019.pdf; Page 4 R Etzel complete eOPF_Redacted.pdf

Hey everyone,

It's Kevin Bogardus with E&E News.

Myself and my colleague Ariel Wittenberg (who is CCed on this email) are working on a story about Ruth Etzel, the former director of EPA's Office of Children's Health Protection. In our story, we are linking to and quoting from EPA emails and personnel records that I obtained under the Freedom of Information Act (please see attached). I had a few questions about this, which are:

- Etzel was given a pay raise in January 2018 (please see Page 5 R Etzel complete eOPF_Redacted) and a cash award in August 2018 (please see Page 2 R Etzel complete eOPF_Redacted), about a month before she was put on leave. Why did Etzel get a pay raise and a cash award when there were allegations about her leadership of OCHP?

- We will say that Etzel was told she was not ready to brief EPA leadership on the federal lead strategy about three weeks before she was put on leave (please see 834-835 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019_). Do you have any additional comment?

- We will say that Etzel said she was going to finish the federal lead strategy in June 2018 (please see 840 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019_). Why was it delayed?

- We will say that OCHP had a 360 leadership assessment that raised "several concerns" (please see 702 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019_). What were those concerns?

- We will say that EPA Chief of Staff Ryan Jackson questioned why the American Academy of Pediatrics wasn't familiar with OCHP (please see 616 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019_). Do you have any additional comment?

- We will quote emails from John Konkus and Jackson discussing press strategy in response to Etzel being put on leave, such as "opportunity to strike" and "press pushing back on her" (please see 3 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019_, 555 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019_ and 556 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019_). Do you have any additional comment?

- We will say that Konkus received a list of EPA children's health-related grants (please see 594-598 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019_). Why was Konkus reviewing such grants? I ask because his grants review

was rescinded in May 2018, according to this email (https://www.eenews.net/assets/2018/06/18/document_gw_19.pdf).

- We will quote emails from OCHP officials saying they were not consulted on the children's health booklet (please see 334-335 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019_). Why weren't OCHP officials consulted on this booklet?

- We will say Veronica Darwin gathered materials on children's health for the booklet (please see 565 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019_). Do you have any additional comment?

- We will say that Etzel returned to EPA in March 2019 and was reassigned to "unclassified duties" in the Office of Water's Office of Science and Technology (please see Page 4 R Etzel complete eOPF_Redacted). Do you have any additional comment?

Please get back to me as soon as possible. My deadline is close of business Wednesday, Aug. 28, but the sooner you get back to me, the more it helps my reporting. Thank you for your help.

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Message

From: Hopkins, Jamie [jhopkins@publicintegrity.org]
Sent: 8/21/2018 12:21:42 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Media query -- methylene chloride

OK, thank you.

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From: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, August 21, 2018 8:08:10 AM
To: Hopkins, Jamie
Cc: Press
Subject: Re: Media query -- methylene chloride

Jamie,

We have nothing to add to our previous response.

On Aug 20, 2018, at 8:54 PM, Hopkins, Jamie <jhopkins@publicintegrity.org> wrote:

Thanks, Enesta -- sorry about the late response. Does the EPA have any estimate as to when it will forward the rule to the OMB for review? I understand that after that point, the timing is largely dependent on OMB. But OMB does not show on its website that it has received the rule from the EPA yet.

From: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Sent: Monday, August 20, 2018 12:45:37 PM
To: Hopkins, Jamie
Cc: Press
Subject: Re: Media query -- methylene chloride

Jamie,

"We're continuing to work with OMB and other agencies with equities to move forward with that regulation." — EPA spokesperson

On Aug 20, 2018, at 7:55 AM, Hopkins, Jamie <jhopkins@publicintegrity.org> wrote:

Hi, Robert, I'm re-upping this question because Walmart is announcing today that it will be removing methylene chloride paint strippers from its shelves. When does the EPA plan to forward its methylene chloride paint stripper rule to OMB?

Many thanks.

Best,

Jamie

From: Hopkins, Jamie
Sent: Monday, July 23, 2018 11:26:02 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert
Cc: Press
Subject: Re: Media query -- methylene chloride

OK, thank you, but you're unable to share any sense of when that rulemaking will be sent to OMB? Will it be this summer? By the end of the year?

From: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Sent: Monday, July 23, 2018 11:24:56 AM
To: Hopkins, Jamie
Cc: Press
Subject: RE: Media query -- methylene chloride

Hullo again Jamie,

EPA is working to send the finalized methylene chloride rulemaking to OMB. That document will contain actions that the Agency will take, including timeframes. – **EPA Spokesperson.**

Cheers, R.

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Sent: Monday, July 23, 2018 7:52 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Media query -- methylene chloride

Good morning. Can EPA give an update on where things stand with the methylene chloride rule? The agency said on May 10 that it would send a final version to OMB shortly, but it has yet to show up on that agency's dashboard of regulatory actions under review (https://www.reginfo.gov/public/jsp/EO/eoDashboard.jsp). What is the EPA's expected timeline?

Best,

Jamie

From: Hopkins, Jamie
Sent: Thursday, March 29, 2018 3:18 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert
Cc: Press
Subject: RE: Media query -- methylene chloride

OK, thanks for the speedy response!

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, March 29, 2018 3:18 PM
To: Hopkins, Jamie <jhopkins@publicintegrity.org>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Media query -- methylene chloride

Hullo Jamie,

For attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

We will respond to the letter through appropriate channels.

Cheers, R.

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From: Hopkins, Jamie [mailto:jhopkins@publicintegrity.org]
Sent: Thursday, March 29, 2018 3:00 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Media query -- methylene chloride

Hi, Robert, I'm working on a quick-turnaround piece about South Carolina's senators and one congressman calling on EPA to act on the proposed methylene chloride rule. (I've attached the letter in case you haven't seen it.)

Would the EPA like to comment? My deadline is **today at 4 p.m.**

Can't recall now if I sent you the link to the story we corresponded about earlier – here it is: https://www.publicintegrity.org/2018/03/26/21626/epa-planned-ban-deadly-paint-stripping-chemical-will-it-follow-through (and here's the version Slate co-published: https://slate.com/technology/2018/03/will-the-epa-ban-methylene-chloride.html)

Best,

Jamie

From: Hopkins, Jamie
Sent: Thursday, March 22, 2018 9:04 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>

Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Media query -- methylene chloride

Good morning, just wanted to make sure you saw these questions from Tuesday:

From: Hopkins, Jamie
Sent: Tuesday, March 20, 2018 1:26 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Media query -- methylene chloride

Thanks! Could you clarify two things:

1) Does the EPA still intend to finalize the current NMP/methylene chloride rule at some point?

2) How long does the EPA currently expect the NMP/methylene chloride rule will take to finalize?

Many thanks.

Jamie

From: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 20, 2018 1:21:12 PM
To: Hopkins, Jamie
Cc: Press
Subject: RE: Media query -- methylene chloride

Jamie, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

1. I see that the NMP/methylene chloride rule, which was a "proposed rule" in the spring 2017 regulatory agenda, was changed to a "Long-term Action" in the most recent regulatory agenda. Does this mean the proposal has been shelved?
Response: The Regulatory Plan of the Unified Agenda contains the regulatory priority actions that agencies expect to take in the coming year. The status changed because the Agency felt that more time was needed to consider how best to analyze and address any risks from these chemicals. Given that these actions were not anticipated to finalize within 12 months, they were removed from the Unified Agenda. The agency is currently considering the comments received in response to the proposal.
2. Methylene chloride is one of the 10 chemicals on the list for the first risk evaluations under the revised TSCA law. I'm not sure if I quite understand the timeline requirements – could you explain when the risk evaluation for methylene chloride must be completed, when the EPA expects to be done (if that timing is different than the deadline) and what happens after the risk evaluation is complete"

Response: We plan to finalize the risk evaluations by late 2019. If at the end of the risk evaluation process, EPA determines that a chemical presents an unreasonable risk to health or the environment, the chemical must immediately move to risk management action under TSCA. Read more.

Cheers, R.

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From: Hopkins, Jamie [mailto:jhopkins@publicintegrity.org]
Sent: Friday, March 16, 2018 10:46 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Media query -- methylene chloride

Couple things I should add to the question pile:

1. I see that the NMP/methylene chloride rule, which was a "proposed rule" in the spring 2017 regulatory agenda, was changed to a "Long-term Action" in the most recent regulatory agenda. Does this mean the proposal has been shelved?

2. Methylene chloride is one of the 10 chemicals on the list for the first risk evaluations under the revised TSCA law. I'm not sure if I quite understand the timeline requirements – could you explain when the risk evaluation for methylene chloride must be completed, when the EPA expects to be done (if that timing is different than the deadline) and what happens after the risk evaluation is complete?

Thank you!

Jamie

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Friday, March 16, 2018 10:36 AM
To: Hopkins, Jamie <jhopkins@publicintegrity.org>
Subject: Re: Media query -- methylene chloride

Kewl. Thanks.

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On Mar 16, 2018, at 10:31 AM, Hopkins, Jamie <jhopkins@publicintegrity.org> wrote:

> Yup, my deadline is Monday at 3 p.m.
>
> Thanks!

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Friday, March 16, 2018 10:30 AM
To: Hopkins, Jamie <jhopkins@publicintegrity.org>
Subject: Re: Media query -- methylene chloride

Hey Jamie, I'm afraid you're right. My bad.

Deadline? Are you writing for publication soon?

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On Mar 16, 2018, at 10:24 AM, Hopkins, Jamie <jhopkins@publicintegrity.org> wrote:

> Hi, I'm re-upping this request because it probably got lost in the shuffle earlier this week:
>
> **From:** Hopkins, Jamie
> **Sent:** Wednesday, March 14, 2018 10:53 AM
> **To:** 'daguillard.robert@epa.gov' <daguillard.robert@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** Media query -- methylene chloride
>
> Hi, hope you're well. Could you update me on the status and expected timeline of the proposed TSCA rulemaking for methylene chloride and NMP? Also, has there been action on this proposal since the extension of the comment deadline last April?
>
> Many thanks.
>
> Best,
>
> Jamie
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From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 4/12/2018 4:54:12 PM
To: Lynn, Tricia [lynn.tricia@epa.gov]
CC: AO OPA Media Relations [AO_OPA_Media_Relations@epa.gov]
Subject: TRICIA: CAFO Air Emissions Story/Media Request

Tricia, this is s follow-up to a multi-office inquiry. OECA supplied the response to the violations question. Do you mind following up with them?

Thanks, R.

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Begin forwarded message:

> **From:** Georgina Gustin <georgina.gustin@insideclimatenews.org>
> **Date:** April 12, 2018 at 12:47:11 PM EDT
> **To:** "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
> **Subject: Re: CAFO Air Emissions Story/Media Request**
>
> Hi Robert.
>
> I hope you're well.
>
> Just checking in on this before our story runs. Am I running this search correctly? Not for attribution, but there have been no violations under the CAA, per this database. Is that right?
>
> Thank you so much for your help!
>
> -GG
>
> On Fri, Mar 30, 2018 at 3:55 PM, Georgina Gustin <georgina.gustin@insideclimatenews.org> wrote:
>
> > .... So, I just did a search. Double checking to make sure I'm doing it right. There have been no violations under the CAA, right?
> >
> > Thanks!
> >
> > -G
> >
> > On Fri, Mar 30, 2018 at 3:55 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:
> >
> > > Likewise, Georgina.

Cheers, R.

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Sent: Friday, March 30, 2018 3:52 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>

Subject: Re: CAFO Air Emissions Story/Media Request

Thank you, Robert. Hope you have a great weekend.

-GG

On Fri, Mar 30, 2018 at 2:27 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Georgina, on background, please:

On background: Development of emissions estimation methodologies for animal feeding operations was delayed both due to technical concerns raised by the EPA Science Advisory Board's (SAB) review of the initial draft methodologies in 2013 and due to shifting agency priorities and funding. Overall, the SAB recommended that the agency discontinue statistical model methodologies and instead develop process-based models. EPA has hired staff with experience both in developing statistical model methodologies and working with the animal agriculture industry for this project. We plan to focus on completing the statistical model methodologies as initially planned. EPA has completed a quality assurance project plan, which will guide our analysis of data collected during the National Air Emissions Monitoring Study as we develop these methodologies. We anticipate publishing a schedule for the development of these methodologies by July 2018.

More information about National Air Emissions Monitoring Study

https://www.epa.gov/afos-air/national-air-emissions-monitoring-study

It's important to note, that EPA believes Congress did not intend to impose EPCRA reporting requirements on farms engaged in routine agricultural operations. The statute does not define "routine agricultural operations," and EPA has previously identified examples of routine agricultural operations. Those examples were not intended to be exhaustive. EPA clarifies in the guidance that it interprets the term "routine agricultural operations" to encompass regular and routine operations at farms, animal feeding operations, nurseries, other horticultural operations and aquaculture.

You may be interested in searching EPA's Enforcement and Compliance History Online database for Clean Air Act enforcement cases for livestock agricultural production facilities:

1: Select the "02-Agricultural Production-Livestock" option from the SIC Code 2-digit selection dropdown menu in the "Industry" section of the "Case Identifiers" section

2: Enter "112" in the NAICS code box just below the SIC Code fields (that 112 code corresponds to animal production facilities in the North American Industry Classification System")

3: Select "Clean Air Act" in the "Law Cited" dropdown menu in the "Case Attributes" section

4: Hit "Search" in the yellow box on the right side of the page once all of the above selections have been made

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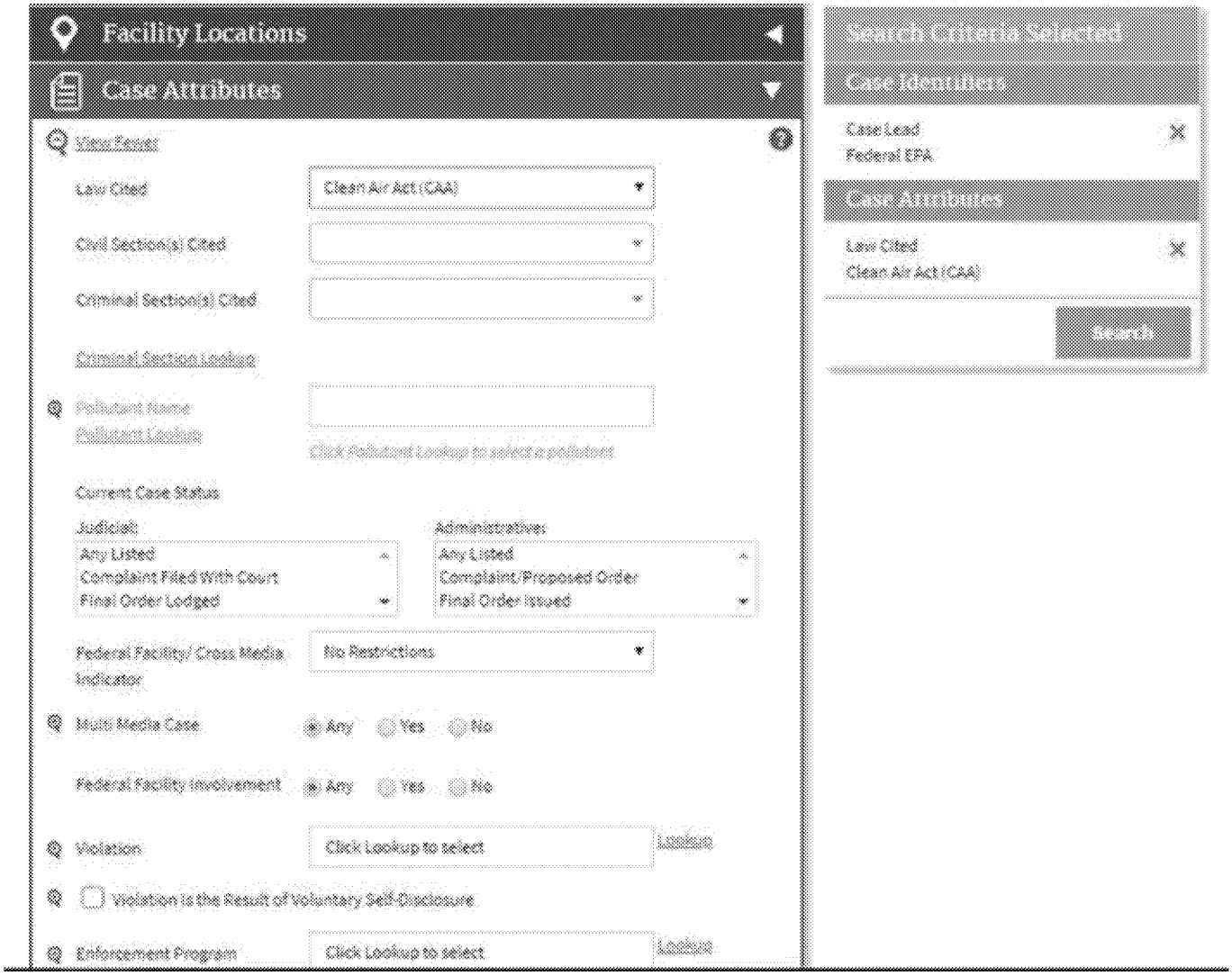

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Cc: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>

Subject: Re: CAFO Air Emissions Story/Media Request

Hi Tricia and Robert.

Thanks for your note. I hope this helps!

I know the agency has been working on the developing and approving emissions factors for a long time. Can someone explain for why it's taken so long? What the specific difficulties have been?

Also, has the agency ever pursued/fined an AFO for a Clean Air Act violation? When and where?

Finally, under guidance issued last fall, the agency exempted AFO's from reporting air emissions under EPCRA. Why did the agency issued that guidance? Does it encompass all AFOs?

Thanks!

-GG

On Mon, Mar 26, 2018 at 12:23 PM, Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov> wrote:

Georgina—

Can you please share specific questions? The program is having trouble addressing this because it's too broad.

Thanks so much. Please be sure to include Robert in your response as I'm about to go out on leave for the next week or so.

Thank you!

-Tricia

From: Georgina Gustin [mailto:georgina.gustin@insideclimatenews.org]
Sent: Thursday, March 22, 2018 1:11 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: CAFO Air Emissions Story/Media Request

Hi. Thanks so much for your speedy reply. I'll be working on this over the next few days and it won't run until next week at the earliest.

Best,

Georgina

On Thu, Mar 22, 2018 at 1:07 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Thanks, Georgina. What's the latest we can get back to you?

Cheers, R.

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To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: CAFO Air Emissions Story/Media Request

Hello,

I'm forwarding this on to the main press address, because I just got a bounce-back from Enesta. We'd like to run the story next week.

Best,

Georgina

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Date: Thu, Mar 22, 2018 at 12:55 PM
Subject: CAFO Air Emissions Story/Media Request
To: "Jones, Enesta" <jones.enesta@epa.gov>

Hi Enesta,

I hope you're well.

I'm working on a story about CAFO air emissions and am hoping the agency can comment.

I'm looking at:

- The agency's efforts to develop emissions factors.

- The OIG report from last year, stating that EPA has taken too long to develop its methodologies

- New legislation that would exempt AFOs from reporting air emissions under CERCLA

- The agency's 2008 reporting exemption for CAFOs and its guidance from last fall, saying that facilities with "routine agricultural operations" don't have to report.

I'm hoping the agency can explain why it has been unable to develop its emission factors and where it stands on the reporting exemptions under CERCLA, EPCRA and the Clean Air Act.

Please let me know if you need more information.

Thanks,

Georgina

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Message

From: Jacobs, Andrew [jacobsa@nytimes.com]
Sent: 8/20/2019 6:38:14 PM
To: Schiermeyer, Corry [schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov]
CC: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]; Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: citrus greening. again.

Ha! No worries.

On Tue, Aug 20, 2019 at 12:19 PM Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov> wrote:

Thank you. My bad…thank you for letting me know. I quickly read through and though we were 30 minutes after, not 4 days after.

Thank you!!!

From: Jacobs, Andrew <jacobsa@nytimes.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 20, 2019 12:12 PM
To: Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>
Cc: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: citrus greening. again.

Hi Corry,

Sadly the story published on Friday and the EPA response arrived yesterday.

Not to be a jerk about such things but I was pretty clear in saying our deadline was Friday at 3 pm.

So sorry about that.

Call if you want to discuss further.

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best,

Andrew

On Tue, Aug 20, 2019 at 12:01 PM Schiermeyer, Corry <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov> wrote:

Hello Andrew,

I just read your story and it says EPA did not provide a response, when we clearly did provide a response. Please update and explain.

Thank you

Corry Schiermeyer

Associate Administrator

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Environmental Protection Agency

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From: Andrew Jacobs <jacobsa@nytimes.com>
Sent: Monday, August 19, 2019 4:26 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: citrus greening. again.

Thanks for this.

On Aug 19, 2019, at 3:35 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

> Andrew, with apologies for the late response, and for attribution to "an EPA Spokesperson," please:
>
> **Incoming**

I'm doing a short story about a recent study that found foliar spraying of oxytetracycline had little impact on the bacteria that causes citrus greening, the disease killing orange and grapefruit trees in Florida.

Does anyone at the EPA want to have a look at the study? I realize it's just one study but I'm wondering if the EPA might be having second thoughts about the expanded approval of these drugs, and also -- given that the study's authors found some decent results with injecting the drugs into the trees -- whether the EPA might entertain that route for applying the drugs in the future.

Response

EPA is currently in the process of registration review for oxytetracycline. EPA reviews each registered pesticide at least every 15 years to determine whether it continues to meet the federal standards for registration. We are currently reviewing public comments that were submitted for the Proposed Interim Decision during the public comment period that closed on May 17, 2019. The Agency plans to complete the Interim Decision by spring 2020. EPA will consider the recently published study cited by the New York Times as well as other information from public comments when preparing the Interim Decision.

The public docket for the registration review of oxytetracycline is available here: https://www.regulations.gov/docket?D=EPA-HQ-OPP-2008-0686.

Background

In making its 2018 registration decision for the new use on citrus, EPA reviewed documents and data submitted by the registrant regarding the effectiveness of oxytetracycline to control citrus greening. The Agency concluded that the submitted data showed that citrus growers would benefit from the availability of oxytetracycline to help manage citrus greening and citrus canker. The benefits assessment for this decision took into account available information on the effectiveness of oxytetracycline through spraying and injection.

Cheers, R.

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From: Jacobs, Andrew <jacobsa@nytimes.com>
Sent: Friday, August 16, 2019 4:08 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: citrus greening. again.

So we're getting ready to publish. I guess we'll say the usual "declined to comment."?

On Fri, Aug 16, 2019 at 12:44 PM Jacobs, Andrew <jacobsa@nytimes.com> wrote:

> I'd say by 3 pm
>
> On Fri, Aug 16, 2019 at 12:40 PM Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:
>
> > Still working on a response.
> >
> > What's the latest we could get back to you?
> >
> > Thanks for your patience.
> >
> > **Robert Daguillard**
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On Aug 16, 2019, at 12:25 PM, Jacobs, Andrew <jacobsa@nytimes.com> wrote:

> Any thoughts on this? Story will run later today.

> On Thu, Aug 15, 2019 at 4:25 PM Jacobs, Andrew <jacobsa@nytimes.com> wrote:

> > Thanks.

> > On Thu, Aug 15, 2019 at 4:13 PM Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

> > > Possibly. I'll circle back and let you know.

> > > Cheers, R.

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Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: citrus greening. again.

Hey Robert,

The story isn't going to run until tomorrow so we have an extra day but it would be great to get some response by the morning tomorrow.

You think that's doable?

Andrew

On Wed, Aug 14, 2019 at 5:32 PM Jacobs, Andrew <jacobsa@nytimes.com> wrote:

Sounds good.

On Wed, Aug 14, 2019 at 5:27 PM Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Thanks, Andrew. It's unlikely we'll respond today. Thursday OK?

Robert Daguillard

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On Aug 14, 2019, at 4:54 PM, Jacobs, Andrew <jacobsa@nytimes.com> wrote:

Oh, thanks. Just realized that link gets you to a paywall.

Here's a PDF of the study, for what it's worth.

Let me know if that doesn't work.

On Wed, Aug 14, 2019 at 4:53 PM Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Hullo Andrew. Quick word to acknowledge receipt.

Cheers, R.

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On Aug 14, 2019, at 4:29 PM, Jacobs, Andrew <jacobsa@nytimes.com> wrote:

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Thanks.

best,

Andrew

Message

From: Stevens, Katherine [stevens.katherine@epa.gov]
Sent: 10/12/2018 4:07:39 PM
To: Sylvan, Stephan [Sylvan.Stephan@epa.gov]; Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
CC: DeLuca, Isabel [DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov]; Critchfield, James [Critchfield.James@epa.gov]; Clarke, Deirdre [clarke.deirdre@epa.gov]; Clouse, Matt [Clouse.Matt@epa.gov]; Klein, Melissa [Klein.Melissa@epa.gov]; Moss, Jacob [Moss.Jacob@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: UC Berkeley GPP response

Okay!

Kati Stevens
Public Affairs Specialist
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Desk: (202)-564-3251

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From: Sylvan, Stephan
Sent: Friday, October 12, 2018 12:05 PM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>; Stevens, Katherine <stevens.katherine@epa.gov>
Cc: DeLuca, Isabel <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov>; Critchfield, James <Critchfield.James@epa.gov>; Clarke, Deirdre <clarke.deirdre@epa.gov>; Clouse, Matt <Clouse.Matt@epa.gov>; Klein, Melissa <Klein.Melissa@epa.gov>; Moss, Jacob <Moss.Jacob@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: UC Berkeley GPP response

That makes good sense to me. Thanks!

Stephan D. Sylvan
Climate Protection Partnerships Division
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Office: 202 566 2232
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From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Friday, October 12, 2018 12:03:48 PM
To: Stevens, Katherine
Cc: Sylvan, Stephan; DeLuca, Isabel; Critchfield, James; Clarke, Deirdre; Clouse, Matt; Klein, Melissa; Moss, Jacob
Subject: Re: UC Berkeley GPP response

Tnx all. I think we can share all the info on background and lift this for attribution to James:

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Does this approach work for everyone?

On Oct 12, 2018, at 11:58 AM, Stevens, Katherine <stevens.katherine@epa.gov> wrote:

Attached is James Critchfield's response.

Thanks,
Kati

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<answers to questions by U of Calif Berkeley reporter on Green Power Partnership v1.docx>

Message

From: Sean Reilly [sreilly@eenews.net]
Sent: 4/10/2018 2:05:37 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Signing of final rule for Primary NOx standard

OK

From: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, April 10, 2018 10:02 AM
To: Sean Reilly <sreilly@eenews.net>
Subject: Re: Signing of final rule for Primary NOx standard

Sean, I'll let you know when it's live.

On Apr 10, 2018, at 9:41 AM, Sean Reilly <sreilly@eenews.net> wrote:

Hi Enesta:

It still doesn't appear to be posted. Is there an approximate ETA for when it will be?

Sean

From: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Sent: Monday, April 09, 2018 11:44 AM
To: Sean Reilly <sreilly@eenews.net>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Signing of final rule for Primary NOx standard

Sean,

On background (not for attribution): Yes, the rule has been signed. We are in the process of posting it.

On Apr 9, 2018, at 11:19 AM, Sean Reilly <sreilly@eenews.net> wrote:

Hi folks:

According to this FR notice (https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2017-07-26/pdf/2017-15591.pdf), the final rule was supposed to be signed by Friday, April 6. I'm not seeing it, however, on the NOx NAAQS web page (https://www.epa.gov/no2-pollution/primary-national-ambient-air-quality-standards-naaqs-nitrogen-dioxide.) Can you let me know ASAP whether the final rule was signed, and if so, forward a copy? If it hasn't been signed, what's the reason for that and is there an ETA for doing so?

Thanks,
Sean

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Message

From: Fuld, John [Fuld.John@epa.gov]
Sent: 4/9/2018 7:30:04 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
CC: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: FINAL RESPONSE: New Jersey Institute of Technology re 1,4-dioxane

We are not going to do the analyses for them....this is something we do not do.

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Monday, April 09, 2018 3:28 PM
To: Fuld, John <Fuld.John@epa.gov>
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He says:

It is the same study I have sent in the past: https://cdn3.ewg.org/sites/default/files/u352/EWG_1%2C4-DWater_Report_C03.pdf

You can review the finding stated on the**Second Paragraph of the Executive Summary (Page 3)**.

On Apr 9, 2018, at 3:18 PM, Fuld, John <Fuld.John@epa.gov> wrote:

Enesta,

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Message

From: Richard Van Noorden [R.VanNoorden@nature.com]
Sent: 7/9/2018 2:23:09 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Nature reporter --- reporting on computational methods to predict chemical toxicity

An interview on background would be fine. Any time today works, but preferably before your 15:00 because I'm in London.

Best

Richard.

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: 09 July 2018 15:21
To: Richard Van Noorden
Subject: Re: Nature reporter --- reporting on computational methods to predict chemical toxicity

Richard,
We can do an interview on background. If something is said you would like to use for attribution, can you come back to me after to ensure we are good with that?

Are there any times that don't work for you today to do the interview?

On Jul 9, 2018, at 9:23 AM, Richard Van Noorden <R.VanNoorden@nature.com> wrote:

Hi Ernesta,

End of your day would be fine.

Also, I realise that I will not really have room to address the third and fourth questions in the article [which focuses on the latest computational toxicology research]. So if you need to prioritize, just answers to the first two questions would be great. I won't be able to use the third and fourth in the article.

Best

Richard.

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: 09 July 2018 14:12
To: Richard Van Noorden
Subject: Re: Nature reporter --- reporting on computational methods to predict chemical toxicity

Hi Richard,
Is the deadline 1 p.m. EST today, 7/9? Can you extend it by chance?

On Jul 6, 2018, at 5:10 PM, Richard Van Noorden <R.VanNoorden@nature.com> wrote:

Hello - thanks! I am in London, UK, and would need to speak by end of UK day Monday [i.e. 18:00 here, 13:00 ET], or it would be ok to have answers to specific questions for my Tuesday morning -- i.e. end your day

Monday. I appreciate this may be too short a deadline for you to respond, but we will go to press on Tuesday morning.

The context is new research by Thomas Hartung (Johns Hopkins), Craig Rowlands (Underwriter Laboratories) and others describing advances in computational models to predict chemical toxicity; these can now outperform animal tests for some simple toxicity endpoints.

I wanted to talk in general about the EPA's approach to computational methods for toxicity prediction, but if that is not possible, then answers to these specific questions would be great:

- is EPA working with Hartung/Rowland's computational model, or with the database of animal-test results that Hartung's team downloaded from the ECHA/Reach website?

- I spoke to Nicole Kleinstreuer (NICETAM, US toxicology program), about an April inter-agency workshop where research groups were invited to test their latest computational models to predict acute oral toxicity in around 40,000 chemicals [comparing against previous rat test data]. (I'm referring to https://ntp.niehs.nih.gov/pubhealth/evalatm/3rs-meetings/past-meetings/tox-models-2018/index.html). She said that a consensus model performed just as well as the animal tests and the expectation is that the EPA would release this consensus model online for free download later this year. Do you know when that is planned to happen?

- I spoke to Kristie Sullivan, of the Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine (PCRM), about her group's concerns that EPA last year requested more than 300 animal safety tests involving more than 75,000 animals, up from a few dozen safety tests involving around 700 animals the year before. (The details were written up at Science in May: https://www.sciencemag.org/news/2018/05/animal-tests-surge-under-new-us-chemical-safety-law) Can you explain why so many more animal tests have been requested?

- Animal welfare groups are concerned that EPA is not taking full advantage of alternative non-animal tests to measure chemical toxicity, such as in vitro and computational models. What would you say to that concern?

thanks

Richard Van Noorden

From: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Sent: Friday, July 6, 2018 9:11 PM
To: Richard Van Noorden

Cc: Jones, Enesta
Subject: RE: Nature reporter --- reporting on computational methods to predict chemical toxicity

Hi Richard, sorry we are just getting to your request. Is too late? If not, please send specific questions and firm deadline.

From: Richard Van Noorden [mailto:R.VanNoorden@nature.com]
Sent: Thursday, June 28, 2018 8:14 AM
To: Scarano, Louis <Scarano.Louis@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Nature reporter --- reporting on computational methods to predict chemical toxicity

Dear Gino – I am not sure if you received this email, but I would like to talk to you about EPA's plans to assess chemicals without animal testing, for a story in Nature.

Would you be available this week or early next week?

Best wishes

Richard Van Noorden.

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Message

From: New, Brian A [banew@cbs.com]
Sent: 11/3/2017 9:41:44 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: EPA's Latest Statement on Glyphosate

Thank you.

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 3, 2017, at 4:40 PM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

> Hi Brian, our latest statement on glyphosate is below and attributable to an EPA spokesperson:
>
> EPA is currently re-evaluating the safety of glyphosate via a program called registration review. This re-evaluation process occurs every 15 years and is mandated by federal law. As part of registration review, EPA performed an in-depth review of the cancer database for glyphosate. All studies considered by the United Nation's International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) were included in this review, as well as additional studies from Japan, Europe, and South America, and additional studies identified from the open literature. The available data led EPA to conclude in our draft assessment that glyphosate is not likely to be carcinogenic in people at doses relevant for human health risk assessment.
>
> In December 2016, EPA convened its FIFRA Scientific Advisory Panel (SAP) to review and comment on our draft findings that glyphosate is not likely to be carcinogenic to humans at doses relevant for human health risk assessment. The FIFRA SAP serves as the primary external scientific peer review mechanism of the EPA's Office of Pesticide Programs and is structured to provide scientific advice, information, and recommendations to EPA on pesticides and pesticide-related issues. Meeting materials from the December 2016 SAP can be found at https://www.epa.gov/sap/meeting-materials-december-13-16-2016-scientific-advisory-panel.
>
> Once EPA has completed its consideration of the SAP report and made any appropriate changes to our risk assessment, we intend to release the draft human health and ecological risk assessments for a 60-day public comment period. We are currently scheduled to complete the draft risk assessments in early 2018. After consideration of the public comments on the draft risk assessments, EPA will determine whether any risk management is needed.
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> **From:** Daguillard, Robert
> **Sent:** Tuesday, September 12, 2017 4:35 PM
> **To:** New, Brian A <banew@cbs.com>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** RE: CBS 11 News Dallas - glyphosate
>
> Brian, with apologies for the later reply – and for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please.
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> EPA is not a party to the lawsuit. The Agency does not comment on personnel matters nor active litigation.
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> The Agency did not ignore the concerns about the safety of glyphosate expressed by Marion Copley and others. EPA considers all points of view in reaching our determinations and we evaluate information from all kinds of sources – pesticide companies, other governments, academia, and the published scientific literature and use science as a basis for decision-making. EPA has reviewed over 200 studies on a range of scientific topics including epidemiology, animal cancer studies, and genotoxicity and finds that at current US exposure levels that glyphosate is not a carcinogen. This is consistent with the

conclusions of a range of entities including the European Food Safety Authority, the FAO/WHO, Japan, Canada, New Zealand, Australia, and Germany.

EPA is currently re-evaluating the safety of glyphosate through our registration review program. This re-evaluation process occurs every 15 years and is mandated by federal law. We sought external peer review of our draft assessment, which included an opportunity for the public to weigh in as well. We will consider all of those comments as we finalize our assessment, which we will also be issuing for public comment.

We are currently scheduled to complete the draft risk assessments by the end of the year. After consideration of the public comments on the draft risk assessments, EPA will determine whether any risk management is needed. We intend to complete our evaluation, consistent with the statutory deadline for registration review, ensuring that the best science is considered in making our regulatory decision.

Regards, R.

From: New, Brian A [mailto:banew@cbs.com]
Sent: Wednesday, September 06, 2017 1:55 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: CBS 11 News Dallas - glyphosate

Robert,

Thanks for your help with answering these questions about glyphosate. My deadline is by the end of business tomorrow – Thursday.

- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->What is the current classification of glyphosate in terms of it being a carcinogen?

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Thanks,
Brian New

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Message

From: Abboud, Michael [abboud.michael@epa.gov]
Sent: 1/9/2018 10:23:20 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: For Review: BuzzFeed News (Nidhi Subbaraman) re: EPA lead water rule (Deadline: 1/9)

It's fine, I just told Annie I would send her the link when it became available.

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Tuesday, January 9, 2018 5:17 PM
To: Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: For Review: BuzzFeed News (Nidhi Subbaraman) re: EPA lead water rule (Deadline: 1/9)

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) We need to let POLTICO know the timing has changed.

From: Abboud, Michael
Sent: Tuesday, January 09, 2018 5:16 PM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: For Review: BuzzFeed News (Nidhi Subbaraman) re: EPA lead water rule (Deadline: 1/9)

I thought Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) ?

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Tuesday, January 9, 2018 5:14 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: For Review: BuzzFeed News (Nidhi Subbaraman) re: EPA lead water rule (Deadline: 1/9)

Suggested Response: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Nidhi Subbaraman [mailto:nidhi.s@buzzfeed.com]
Sent: Tuesday, January 09, 2018 5:04 PM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: BuzzFeed News query: EPA lead water rule

Hi again,

Has the presentation been posted yet? Looks like Bloomberg BNA has published what appears to be the presentation: https://bnanews.bna.com/environment-and-energy/epa-in-closed-door-meeting-foresees-billions-in-lead-rule-costs

Can you confirm that this was the one that was used at the Jan 8 meeting?

Thanks, Nidhi

On Mon, Jan 8, 2018 at 8:35 PM, Nidhi Subbaraman <nidhi.subbaraman@buzzfeed.com> wrote:

> Got it. Thanks.
>
> Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 8, 2018, at 6:57 PM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Nidhi, for attribution to an EPA spokesperson:

We will be posting the presentation online. We will let you know when it is available.

On Jan 8, 2018, at 9:24 AM, Nidhi Subbaraman <nidhi.s@buzzfeed.com> wrote:

Thanks. If you have any announcements or releases following the meeting, please send them my way.

On Thu, Jan 4, 2018 at 9:29 AM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Nidhi, attributable to an EPA spokesperson:

We have nothing more to provide at this time.

On Jan 4, 2018, at 7:52 AM, Nidhi Subbaraman <nidhi.s@buzzfeed.com> wrote:

Hello again Enesta, Checking if the attendee list is confirmed/shareable just yet.

Thanks, Nidhi

On Thu, Dec 14, 2017 at 7:13 PM, Nidhi Subbaraman <nidhi.s@buzzfeed.com> wrote:

Got it, thanks.

On Thu, Dec 14, 2017 at 2:12 PM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Not at this time.

On Dec 14, 2017, at 2:10 PM, Nidhi Subbaraman <nidhi.s@buzzfeed.com> wrote:

Thank you. Are there any details about the individuals who are invited that you can provide?

On Thu, Dec 14, 2017 at 2:03 PM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Here you go, Nidhi.

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From: Nidhi Subbaraman <nidhi.s@buzzfeed.com>

Date: December 14, 2017 at 1:58:38 PM EST
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: BuzzFeed News query: EPA lead water rule

Hello,

This query is regarding the Jan 8. meeting about the Lead and Copper Rule, proposed by the EPA in the following letter.

https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2017-12/documents/lcr_federalism_consultation_letter.signed.12_14_17.pdf

Can you send a list of the parties that are invited to this meeting?

Thank you, Nidhi

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Message

From: Dunton, Cheryl [Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov]
Sent: 11/3/2017 9:20:24 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
CC: Strauss, Linda [Strauss.Linda@epa.gov]; Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: TONIGHT DDL: CBS 11 News Dallas - glyphosate

You can use the same statement I just sent you for the Agence France inquiry.

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Friday, November 03, 2017 5:06 PM
To: Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>
Cc: Strauss, Linda <Strauss.Linda@epa.gov>; Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>; Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: TONIGHT DDL: CBS 11 News Dallas - glyphosate

Hi Cheryl,

This reporter is working on a piece about glyphosate, set to air tonight, and is wondering if the risk assessment and review is slated to continue at the same pace Robert previously mentioned in September.

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Sent: Wednesday, September 06, 2017 1:55 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
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Message

From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: 1/11/2018 2:42:34 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
CC: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: For Review: Bloomberg Environment (Sylvia Carignan) re: PFAS at Superfund sites (Deadline: 1/9)

Note: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) **More later.**

Still want to and awaiting a response from OLEM on your other questions.

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On Jan 10, 2018, at 2:09 PM, Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov> wrote:

One correct: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Wednesday, January 10, 2018 2:07 PM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Cc: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: For Review: Bloomberg Environment (Sylvia Carignan) re: PFAS at Superfund sites (Deadline: 1/9)

Enesta,

Andrea looked at this and wonders if Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)? Can you check with olem?

Also, is there a process for Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)?

Also, we want to Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Thanks ng

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From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Wednesday, January 10, 2018 1:59 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: For Review: Bloomberg Environment (Sylvia Carignan) re: PFAS at Superfund sites (Deadline: 1/9)

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From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Wednesday, January 10, 2018 11:47 AM
To: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: For Review: Bloomberg Environment (Sylvia Carignan) re: PFAS at Superfund sites (Deadline: 1/9)

Need to connect with you on this thanks ng

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From: Block, Molly
Sent: Wednesday, January 10, 2018 8:15 AM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: For Review: Bloomberg Environment (Sylvia Carignan) re: PFAS at Superfund sites (Deadline: 1/9)

Pared it down a bit and no need for attribution because this is all background info.

On background:

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Tuesday, January 9, 2018 5:27 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: For Review: Bloomberg Environment (Sylvia Carignan) re: PFAS at Superfund sites (Deadline: 1/9)

Background: Bloomberg Environment reporter is asking for the names and number of Superfund sites on the National Priorities List that are contaminated with the chemical, Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP). Response input from OLEM. Sylvia Carignan, scarignan@bloombergenvironment.com

Suggested Response: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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From: "Carignan, Sylvia" <scarignan@bloombergenvironment.com>
Date: January 3, 2018 at 1:16:54 PM EST
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: PFAS at Superfund sites

Hi all,

Happy new year! Hope you all got some time off. I'd like to follow up on something I heard about before the holidays:

It's my understanding that EPA has identified 32 federal and 15 non-federal NPL sites contaminated by PFAS. Could you provide the names of those sites?

And if there's an estimate of how many other NPL sites could be affected by PFAS, let me know about that as well. Dr. Tom Sinks had mentioned in a November presentation that there were likely "hundreds," but I'd like to know if EPA has a narrower estimate.

My deadline for this is Friday at 3 p.m.; let me know if that won't be enough time.

Best,
Sylvia

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Message

From: Krisher, Tom [tkrisher@ap.org]
Sent: 1/9/2018 8:55:39 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: fuel economy numbers

Thanks for the help.

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, January 09, 2018 3:54 PM
To: Krisher, Tom <tkrisher@ap.org>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: fuel economy numbers

Tom, for attribution to an EPA spokesperson:

We having nothing more to share at this time.

From: Krisher, Tom [mailto:tkrisher@ap.org]
Sent: Tuesday, January 09, 2018 3:50 PM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: fuel economy numbers

Can you say how we'll find out about it from EPA? And can you define soon so I can plan out the next few days.

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, January 09, 2018 3:49 PM
To: Krisher, Tom <tkrisher@ap.org>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: fuel economy numbers

Hi Tom: Off the record, it's happening soon.

> **From:** "Krisher, Tom" <tkrisher@ap.org>
> **Date:** January 9, 2018 at 3:21:19 PM EST
> **To:** "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
> **Subject: RE: fuel economy numbers**
>
> Robert,
> I'm being told by industry contacts that this will come out on Thursday. Can you tell me how it will be delivered? There used to be a conference call.
> Thanks,
> Tom
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> ---
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> **From:** Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
> **Sent:** Friday, January 05, 2018 7:50 AM
> **To:** Krisher, Tom <tkrisher@ap.org>

Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: fuel economy numbers

Good morning Tom,

Still off the record, we have nothing new for you.

Thanks, R.

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From: Krisher, Tom [mailto:tkrisher@ap.org]
Sent: Friday, January 05, 2018 7:45 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: fuel economy numbers

Hi Robert. Any date for this yet?
Thanks,
Tom

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 14, 2017, at 3:45 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

> Tom, sorry for the late reply,
>
> Off the record, please, we expect the report to come out soon. We'll let you know when it does.
>
> Cheers, R.
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> **From:** Krisher, Tom [mailto:tkrisher@ap.org]
> **Sent:** Wednesday, December 13, 2017 1:41 PM
> **To:** Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** RE: fuel economy numbers
>
> Robert,

Any luck with this?
Thanks,
Tom

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Monday, December 11, 2017 10:30 AM
To: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>; Krisher, Tom <tkrisher@ap.org>
Subject: RE: fuel economy numbers

Hey Tom, let me check.

From: Valentine, Julia
Sent: Monday, December 11, 2017 10:07 AM
To: Krisher, Tom <tkrisher@ap.org>; Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: fuel economy numbers

Hi Tom, connecting you with my colleague Robert Daguillard who is covering that issue. Thanks and hop you are staying warm out there!

Julia P. Valentine
US EPA Office of Public Affairs
202.564.2663 direct
Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) m/txt

From: Krisher, Tom [mailto:tkrisher@ap.org]
Sent: Monday, December 11, 2017 9:52 AM
To: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>
Subject: fuel economy numbers

Hey Julia,
I'm hearing that Tuesday or Wednesday you folks will release this year's fuel economy numbers for the fleet of new vehicles. Is there any truth to this?
Thank you, and hope all is well.
Tom
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From: Hass, Olivia [olivia.hass@cbs.com]
Sent: 1/10/2018 8:17:49 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Media Inquiry: CBS - The Doctors Talk Show

Thank you!
Will pass this information along.

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Los Angeles, CA 90038

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, January 10, 2018 11:58 AM
To: Hass, Olivia
Cc: Press
Subject: RE: Media Inquiry: CBS - The Doctors Talk Show

Thank you for the opportunity to review, Olivia. For attribution to an EPA spokesperson:

American tap water is of the highest quality and among the safest in the world. Filtering your tap water is a matter of personal preference.

From: "Hass, Olivia" <olivia.hass@cbs.com>
Date: January 10, 2018 at 1:37:21 PM EST
To: "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Media Inquiry: CBS - The Doctors Talk Show

Hi Enesta,
Thank you for all of these answers. We have written the following statement to be said during our show tomorrow. Is this okay with the EPA?

The Environment Protection Agency says that American tap water is safe, of the highest quality and always reliable.

Filtering your tap water would be a matter of personal preference.

Please let me know if this statement is okay for us to use, credited to the EPA.

Thank you!

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From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, January 09, 2018 1:31 PM
To: Hass, Olivia
Cc: Press
Subject: Media Inquiry: CBS - The Doctors Talk Show

Hi Olivia, for attribution to an EPA spokesperson:

1. Is tap water safe to drink?

The United States has one of the safest water supplies in the world. Congress passed the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) in 1974 to protect public health by regulating public drinking water systems. SDWA requires EPA to establish and enforce standards that public drinking water systems must follow. EPA delegates primary enforcement responsibility (also called primacy) for public water systems to states and Indian Tribes if they meet certain requirements. Link: https://www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water/basic-information-about-your-drinking-water. Congress passed the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) in 1974 to protect public health, including by regulating public water systems.

Over 151,000 public water systems provide drinking water to most Americans. Customers that are served by a public water system can contact their local water supplier and ask for information on contaminants in their drinking water, and are encouraged to request a copy of their Consumer Confidence Report. This report lists the levels of contaminants that have been detected in the water, including those by EPA, and whether the system meets state and EPA drinking water standards.

About 10 percent of people in the United States rely on water from private wells. Private wells are not regulated under the SDWA. People who use private wells need to take precautions to ensure their drinking water is safe. Learn more about private wells

2. Are there chemicals in tap water? How do they get there? Are they added purposefully? If so what chemicals? Are they safe to drink?

A change in your water's taste, color, or smell is not necessarily a health concern. However, sometimes changes can be a sign of problems. If you notice a change in your water or you want to learn more about where your tap water comes from, call your public water system. The name of your public water system can be found on your water bill. When water quality standards have not been met, your public water system must notify you through the media (television or radio), mail, or other means. Your annual Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) is another way to find out about the water quality in your area. It provides information regarding contaminants, possible health effects, and the water's source. There are three levels of public notification. A Tier 1 notification pertains to the most serious and acute contamination events. Notification must be broadcast by local media within 24 hours. Tier 2 allows for a 30-day notification. Tier 3 provides notification through the annual consumer confidence report. Many public water systems now post their report online. Public water systems are required to provide a copy upon receiving a request. More information for consumers: https://www.epa.gov/ccr

If you are not served by a public water system and have your own well, and you want to test your water, your local health department should be able to assist in explaining any tests that you need for various contaminants. If your local health department is not able to help you can contact a state certified laboratory to perform the test. To find a state certified laboratory in your area call the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791.

3. What is the best way to filter tap water?

Filters that have been certified against an ANSI/NSF standard have met the performance requirements in the standard. Third-party certifiers would maintain the data that shows the product meets the standard, not EPA. If people are looking to remove a particular contaminant, EPA does recommend that they look for products that have been independently certified to remove that contaminant.

4. Are purchasable filters, such as BRITA filters, effective in filtering tap water? (link to Q3)

Water delivered to the tap that meets regulatory limits is typically considered protective of public health. However, there are still residual contaminants when the water leaves the drinking water plant, or in some cases, contaminants that enter or are formed in drinking water when water is flowing from the treatment plant to the consumer's tap. Some consumers elect to remove these contaminants with additional filters. Many different types of filters are available to consumers. Determining which type is most effective and appropriate depends on what contaminants the consumer wishes to remove. No filter eliminates all contaminants, so understanding what filters remove and do not remove is important. It is also extremely important to maintain filters consistent with the manufacturer's recommendations to ensure the filter maintains its effectiveness and does not cause more potential contamination of water.

For more information, please see the CDC website: https://www.cdc.gov/healthywater/drinking/home-water-treatment/water-filters/step3.html

You also might find this link useful to evaluate manufacturer claims about effectiveness:
https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/certlic/device/watertreatmentdevices.shtml
http://www.nsf.org/

5. Is "raw water" safe to drink?

Drinking raw water may pose risks for consumers. While untreated spring water and mountain stream water may look pure, it can be contaminated with bacteria, viruses, parasites, and other contaminants. These microbial contaminants can come from "natural" sources such as animals living in the watersheds or erosion from streambanks, among other sources. These organisms, including *Cryptosporidium*, *Giardia*, *Shigella*, and norovirus, among others, can cause consumers to become sick. When water is untreated, there's risk that it will contain these harmful organisms.

You can learn more about the quality of drinking water in your area by reading your Consumer Confidence Report
Link: https://www.epa.gov/ccr

6. Would the EPA be willing to provide an official statement regarding the safety of drinking tap water and raw water?

Water delivered to the tap that meets regulatory limits is typically considered protective of public health. EPA cannot ensure that untreated raw water is also protective of public health, as any possible sources of contamination would not be removed by treatment, observed by monitoring, or reported to consumers.

From: "Hass, Olivia" <olivia.hass@cbs.com>
Date: January 8, 2018 at 5:47:37 PM EST
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Media Inquiry: CBS - The Doctors Talk Show

Hello,

My name is Olivia Hass and I am a Production Assistant at The Doctors (thedoctorstv.com) a daytime, medical talk show. For our show this week are a having a discussion surrounding the safety of drinking tap water and the safety of drinking what is called "raw water".
We have some questions surrounding this topic and are hoping the EPA can provide insight. Here are our following questions:

1. Is tap water safe to drink?

2. Are there chemicals in tap water? How do they get there? Are they added purposefully? If so what chemicals? Are they safe to drink?

3. What is the best way to filter tap water?

4. Are purchasable filters (such as, BRITA filters) effective in cleaning tap water?

5. Is "raw water" safe to drink?

6. Would the EPA be willing to provide an official statement regarding the safety of drinking tap water and raw water?

Please let me know if you have any questions. It would be preferable to have these answers by end of day today (5pm PST) Thank you!

Best,

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 1/9/2018 4:46:54 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
CC: AO OPA Media Relations [AO_OPA_Media_Relations@epa.gov]
Subject: NANCY G: DYLAN: Your questions for EPA

This is a follow-up to a GKM-related inquiry. Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Not responding unless I hear otherwise from you or the Third Floor.

From: Dylan Brown [mailto:dbrown@eenews.net]
Sent: Tuesday, January 09, 2018 11:41 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: DYLAN: Your questions for EPA

Thanks for this Robert.

Beyond the legislation, has EPA made any progress on processing Gold King tort claims?

Best,
Dylan

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Monday, January 08, 2018 11:12 AM
To: Dylan Brown <dbrown@eenews.net>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: DYLAN: Your questions for EPA

Good morning Dylan,

For attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

The agency doesn't comment on pending legislation.

Thanks, R.

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From: Dylan Brown [mailto:dbrown@eenews.net]
Sent: Friday, January 05, 2018 5:35 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: DYLAN: Your questions for EPA

Hey Robert, sorry for the delay. I'm just going to write a little story about the bill mentioning that Admin. Pruitt has committed to reconsidering. Then whenever you get the information, I'll write a short little follow-up giving an update on where we are at in that process.

Sorry again it took so long to respond!
Dylan

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 05, 2018 3:46 PM
To: Dylan Brown <dbrown@eenews.net>
Subject: DYLAN: Your questions for EPA

Hullo Dylan,

We're working on your questions, but we may well need until early next week to get back to you, as we needed to reach out to a couple of program offices for answers. Does that work for you?

Cheers, R.

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Hi Nancy,

I wanted to check in with EPA as I'm working on a story about new legislation (HR 4735) from Rep. Steve Pearce (R-N.M.). It provides compensation for Gold King victims under the Federal Tort Claims Act and creates an "Office of Gold King Mine Spill Claims" at EPA.

My questions:

1. Administrator Pruitt said in August EPA would reconsider tort claims. Has EPA made any progress in that process?
2. Does EPA support the legislation as it gives the agency a congressional mandate to take action?
3. The bill would use the agency's unobligated funds for each fiscal year to pay out the tort claims. What was the total of unobligated funds this past fiscal year?

My deadline is COB today, but let me know if you need more time.

Many thanks,
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Message

From: Lynn, Tricia [lynn.tricia@epa.gov]
Sent: 2/1/2018 11:11:34 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]; Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

In case Nancy has a suggestion about this while I'm out. Thank you!

From: Lynne Peeples [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2018 5:28 PM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

Hi Tricia. Just checking back in. Have a name I could attribute this to yet? Thank you!

Lynne

On Thu, Jan 25, 2018 at 2:47 PM, Lynne Peeples < Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) > wrote:

That'd be great. Thanks again, Tricia!

On Thu, Jan 25, 2018 at 2:47 PM, Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov> wrote:

Thanks for checking, Lynne. I'm not a spokesperson for EPA, so please don't use my name. I'll be back in the morning and do what I can to find you a name.

Thanks!

From: Lynne Peeples [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
Sent: Thursday, January 25, 2018 5:33 PM

To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

Very helpful. Thank you, Tricia. My editor would like us to be able to attribute to a person. Ok to use your name, as an EPA spokesperson?

Lynne

On Thu, Jan 25, 2018 at 12:15 PM, Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov> wrote:

Lynne—

For attribution to "an EPA spokesperson:"

1. I understand that, to date (12/21/17), 395 sites have now been remediated and removed from the Superfund list. Is this correct? Any ballpark for how many more sites might be remediated and removed from the list going forward -- in say, one year or 10 years?

That is correct. As of Jan. 18, 395 sites have been deleted from the Superfund National Priorities List. We display the up-to-date number of NPL sites, including deleted sites, at https://www.epa.gov/superfund/superfund-national-priorities-list-npl.

The number of sites to be deleted in the coming years will be the number of sites where no further response is appropriate and EPA determines that criteria has been met to warrant a delisting decision.

2. Why is reuse of the sites important? What kind of follow-up, if any, does the EPA do after a site is removed from the Superfund list? Does the agency -- or others -- monitor the reuse?

EPA places a high priority on land revitalization as an integral part of its Superfund cleanup mission. This land would otherwise be unused. Instead, Superfund cleanups have allowed hundreds of communities to reclaim formerly contaminated Superfund sites for protective and productive uses.

This redevelopment brings major economic benefits. Information EPA has collected at 487 of the 888 sites in reuse indicate these sites supported approximately 6,600 businesses in 2017. These businesses' ongoing operations generate annual sales of $43.6 billion and employ more than 156,000 people who earned a combined income of $11.2 billion.

Regarding what EPA does after a site is deleted from the NPL, EPA conducts follow-up reviews — even after NPL deletion — every five years when hazardous substances remain on site above levels that permit unrestricted use and unlimited exposure.

3. Of the repurposing uses so far, could you share examples of what has worked the best? Any particularly innovative approaches that future projects could consider?

Communities have successfully reused Superfund sites for many industrial, commercial, ecological and recreational purposes. Many Superfund sites have been redeveloped in innovative ways, including alternative energy facilities (https://www.epa.gov/superfund-redevelopment-initiative/alternative-energy-superfund-sites) and mixed-use developments that bring together jobs and amenities.

The Superfund Redevelopment Initiative (SRI) provides success stories resulting from fruitful partnerships. These can be accessed on the SRI website: https://www.epa.gov/superfund-redevelopment-initiative/depth-case-studies-superfund-reuse. There are 30 in-depth case studies available. Two projects are highlighted below to give a sense of the redevelopment stories unfolding nationwide:

- The Sullivan's Ledge Solar Project is one of numerous renewable energy facilities located on current and former contaminated lands. Built on an old landfill affected by soil and groundwater contamination, the facility generates pollution-free energy and has restored a vacant area to beneficial use. The 1.75-megawatt facility includes over 5,000 block-mounted fixed-tilt solar panels. Project financier SunEdison, Inc., leases the site from the city and then sells the solar net metering credits back to the city at a reduced rate under a 20-year power purchase agreement.
- In the early 1980s, decades of disinvestment had left the Tacoma, Washington, waterfront abandoned and blighted. Industrial activities contaminated soil, groundwater and sediments across more than 10 square miles of Commencement Bay and Tacoma. The City of Tacoma, the Washington State Department of Ecology, EPA and other stakeholders collaborated to engage the public, clean up the area, address liability issues, establish public-private partnerships, secure funding, and revitalize the waterway. Today, the cleanup of the Thea Foss Waterway is complete. A public esplanade extends along the shore, punctuated by public parks, apartment buildings, restaurants and diverse businesses. The Museum of Glass is home to a contemporary collection of artists from around the world, with the Chihuly Bridge of Glass connecting the museum to downtown Tacoma. New, state-of-the-art marinas and water-based businesses have established the Thea Foss Waterway as a major boating destination in the Puget Sound region.

4. What uses so far have proved problematic? Any lessons we can take away to inform future repurposing projects?

EPA has not noticed that any one type of reuse has proven problematic.

Best,

Tricia

Tricia Lynn

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From: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) **On Behalf Of** Lynne Peeples
Sent: Wednesday, January 17, 2018 8:20 PM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

Thanks again, Tricia. Questions below. Yes, I would need answers by 1/26. A call would still be ideal, if at all possible. Appreciate it!

1. I understand that, to date (12/21/17), 395 sites have now been remediated and removed from the Superfund list. Is this correct? Any ballpark for how many more sites might be remediated and removed from the list going forward -- in say, one year or 10 years?

2. Why is reuse of the sites important? What kind of follow-up, if any, does the EPA do after a site is removed from the Superfund list? Does the agency -- or others -- monitor the reuse?

3. Of the repurposing uses so far, could you share examples of what has worked the best? Any particularly innovative approaches that future projects could consider?

4. What uses so far have proved problematic? Any lessons we can take away to inform future repurposing projects?

On Wed, Jan 17, 2018 at 10:29 AM, Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Lynne—

Thanks for your email. In order to proceed, I'll need a complete list of your questions (though we can go back with follow-up if necessary). I also want to confirm that 1/26 is your deadline.

I'm happy to ask about a call, but please be aware that they're not always available. If not, we can generally respond in writing.

Thanks again. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

--Tricia

From: [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)] **On Behalf Of** Lynne Peeples
Sent: Wednesday, January 17, 2018 12:41 PM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

Good afternoon,

Just wanted to follow up on my request. Thanks so much again.

Lynne

On Fri, Jan 12, 2018 at 1:29 PM, Lynne Peeples <lpeeples@post.harvard.edu> wrote:

Hi Tricia,

I'm reporting a story for Ensia on the repurposing of former Superfund sites -- examples of what lands are being used for now, lessons learned so far as to what works well and what doesn't, etc. Would it be possible to connect me with someone at the EPA who could speak to this? The sooner the better, of course, but anytime in the next two weeks would be fine.

Thanks so much, in advance, for your time and help.

Best,

Lynne

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Message

From: Pearson, Sam [spearson@bna.com]
Sent: 10/26/2017 6:05:23 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Press Inquiry about Toxics / TSCA

Hi Robert,
Thanks again for your help – I checked and I think there actually was a little more we were hoping to figure out…

For example, we really were wondering how many FTEs were at OPPT before the new TSCA law vs now; and if there are employees transferred there from the pesticides office, and if so, how many?

You mentioned that there are employees detailed there for work on the first 10 chemicals being evaluated under TSCA, but how many of them are there, and how many were from the pesticides office?

Again the story already went out but we're certainly still interested in how all of this is coming together so I think it would be useful to be able to learn how this is working out.

Thanks so much,

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From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, October 26, 2017 1:58 PM
To: Pearson, Sam <spearson@bna.com>
Subject: RE: Press Inquiry about Toxics / TSCA

Thanks, Sam.

Regards, R.

From: Pearson, Sam [mailto:spearson@bna.com]
Sent: Thursday, October 26, 2017 1:48 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Press Inquiry about Toxics / TSCA

Thanks Robert – the story we were doing on this ran yesterday unfortunately but I will pass this along to my colleagues in case we're able to mention the status of these employees in anything upcoming that relates to this issue

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, October 26, 2017 1:38 PM
To: Pearson, Sam <spearson@bna.com>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Press Inquiry about Toxics / TSCA

Sam, for attribution to "an EPA spokersperson," please:

OCSPP has increased the number of FTE's to support Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), amended by the 2016 Lautenberg Chemical Safety Act, through voluntary detail positions. Detailees are working on the review of the 10 TSCA chemicals mentioned as well as other TSCA work. It is common practice for EPA to utilize voluntary details to accomplish program work.

From: Pearson, Sam [mailto:spearson@bna.com]
Sent: Friday, October 20, 2017 3:58 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Press Inquiry about Toxics / TSCA

From: Pearson, Sam
Sent: Friday, October 20, 2017 3:15 PM
To: 'daguillard.robert@epa.gov' <daguillard.robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Press Inquiry about Toxics / TSCA

Hi Robert,
I heard that EPA has transferred staff from the pesticides office to the chemicals office in order to get more done with the TSCA chemicals being reviewed.
Is that the case? Can you tell me anything more about why the EPA made this decision, and how this is helping EPA process the 10 TSCA chemicals currently under review more effectively? What kind of work specifically are these extra staff doing and why is that important for the reviews?

Thanks,

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Message

From: prizzuto@bna.com [prizzuto@bna.com]
Sent: 10/27/2017 7:25:33 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
CC: Pearson, Sam [spearson@bna.com]
Subject: Re: Robert has there been some misunderstanding about our question?

Got it. That was a different question for a story on which he was the lead.

Somewhere in the chain of emails a question our editors asked us to get for TSCA stories I'm likely to write by the end of the year involves staffing at OPPT. I'm trying to figure out three items:

1) I'm wondering what the OPPT staff level is now -- including detainees/--and how that compares to pre-Lautenberg.
2) I'm also wondering if folks from OPP have been detailed to OPPT, because (I think) it has the most expertise directly applicable (correct me if I'm wrong) or if OPPT has gotten folks from many different offices, regions?
3) Can OPPT pick among potential detailees to get those with the most sought-after expertise or does the office have to choose folks based on other criteria such as seniority?

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 27, 2017, at 3:05 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

> Good afternoon and thanks, Pat. The response below actually addresses a slightly different set of questions, which Sam sent on Tuesday as part of the larger back-and-forth on OCSPP staff assignments and details.
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> "I also need to get a response today, it turns out, to some advocate comments that got added into my draft... where advocates were expressing a perspective that they claimed it's not clear the current EPA leadership "has any interest in protecting workers, even though workers were a large part of them being in office" – so wanted to give EPA the chance to respond to that if you like – the context is, that the story is about what kind of worker protections could result from EPA's reviews under new TSCA of the first 10 chemicals, and how EPA could have authority to set protective limits for the chemicals that are stricter than what OSHA has done historically. However, some advocates are skeptical that EPA intends to fully use this authority at this time. Obviously EPA may have a different view so if there's anything you can share there that would be great"
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> I sent the response about OPP-OPPT details yesterday at 1:38 PM; and passed Sam's questions on to the OCSPP folks as soon as I received them.
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> **From:** Rizzuto, Denise Pat [mailto:prizzuto@bna.com]
> **Sent:** Friday, October 27, 2017 2:41 PM
> **To:** Pearson, Sam <spearson@bna.com>
> **Cc:** Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** Robert has there been some misunderstanding about our question?
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> The answers we've gotten about whether folks from OPP have been transferred, or "detailed," to OPPT seem so odd that I'm wondering whether there's been a misunderstanding. I asked him to find out if folks from OPP had been detailed to OPPT, because of all the EPA offices the pesticides one has the most risk assessment experience. Or perhaps, EPA has sought to add experienced risk assessors—from OPP, the air and other offices to provide that experience to OPPT, which has not done a lot of risk evaluations.

Quite confused by your reply below,

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From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Friday, October 27, 2017 1:27 PM
To: Pearson, Sam <spearson@bna.com>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: SAM: TSCA and worker protection

Sam, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

EPA is committed to protecting workers and has clear authority to do so under TSCA, as amended by the Frank R. Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act. We can not speculate what kind of worker protections could result from EPA's reviews before evaluations are completed. However, the scope documents of EPA's risk evaluations for the first ten chemicals do address workers. In addition, EPA addressed consideration of workers in the final rule (https://www.federalregister.gov/d/2017-14325) that established the Agency's procedures for chemical risk evaluations under TSCA.

If EPA determines that chemical substance presents an unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment, TSCA requires the EPA to initiate the development a regulation to reduce the risks such that they would no longer be unreasonable (Read more here about actions EPA could take).

More information on authorities under the amended TSCA: TSCA section 6(b)(4)(A) requires that EPA conduct risk evaluations to determine whether a chemical substance presents an unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment, without consideration of costs or other nonrisk factors, including an unreasonable risk to a "potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulation" identified as relevant to the risk evaluation by the Administrator, under the conditions of use. As defined in section 3 of the amended TSCA, the term "potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulation" means a group of individuals within the general population identified by the Administrator who, due to either greater susceptibility or greater exposure, may be at greater risk than the general population of adverse health effects from exposure to a chemical substance or mixture, such as infants, children, pregnant women, **workers**, or the elderly.

Cheers, R.

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Message

From: Rizzuto, Denise Pat [prizzuto@bloombergenvironment.com]
Sent: 1/31/2018 10:10:26 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: TSCA questions

Thanks for checking.

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From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2018 5:07 PM
To: Rizzuto, Denise Pat <prizzuto@bloombergenvironment.com>
Subject: RE: TSCA questions

Yep + your need for attribution.

Message

From: Jackie Toth [jackietoth@cqrollcall.com]
Sent: 1/10/2018 5:40:36 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Inquiry re: Once In, Always In policy

Thanks!

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On 10 January 2018 at 12:40, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Jackie —

For attribution to an EPA spokesperson:

We will respond through the proper channels.

On Jan 10, 2018, at 10:57 AM, Jackie Toth <jackietoth@cqrollcall.com> wrote:

Hi Enesta,

Happy New Year! Hope you're doing well.

Has the EPA received yesterday's letter from Barrasso and Capito requesting the EPA to withdraw the Once In, Always In policy for MACT standards compliance? What is the administration's plan with regard to this 1995 guidance?

Deadline to hear is 2:30pm today.

https://www.epw.senate.gov/public/_cache/files/f/b/fbcca7e4-1227-4a87-83cf-07f3a2a9ee9a/A55A9EC1AC5F56D5F9A30212C606D34E.1.9.18-barrasso-capito-letter-once-in-always-in-policy.pdf

Thanks much,

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Message

From: Niina Heikkinen [nheikkinen@eenews.net]
Sent: 1/10/2018 4:56:23 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: extending comment deadline for CPP repeal?

Got it, thanks Enesta.

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, January 10, 2018 11:56 AM
To: Niina Heikkinen
Cc: Press
Subject: Re: extending comment deadline for CPP repeal?

Niina, for attribution to an EPA spokesperson:

We have no new information at this time.

On Jan 10, 2018, at 11:11 AM, Niina Heikkinen <nheikkinen@eenews.net> wrote:

Hello folks,

The deadline for commenting on a Clean Power Plan repeal is fast approaching. Do you plan on extending that deadline given that EPA has not yet held additional hearings on a potential repeal of the rule?

Thanks very much.

Best,

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Message

From: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
Sent: 1/10/2018 2:29:26 PM
To: AO OPA Media Relations [AO_OPA_Media_Relations@epa.gov]
Subject: Fwd: For Review: Bloomberg Environment (Sylvia Carignan) re: PFAS at Superfund sites (Deadline: 1/9)
Attachments: Superfund PFAS List on Background.docx; ATT00001.htm

Please hold until we can discuss

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

Resent-From: <Press@epa.gov>
From: "Block, Molly" <block.molly@epa.gov>
Date: January 10, 2018 at 8:14:49 AM EST
To: "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>, Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: For Review: Bloomberg Environment (Sylvia Carignan) re: PFAS at Superfund sites (Deadline: 1/9)

Pared it down a bit and no need for attribution because this is all background info.

On background:

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Tuesday, January 9, 2018 5:27 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: For Review: Bloomberg Environment (Sylvia Carignan) re: PFAS at Superfund sites (Deadline: 1/9)

Background: Bloomberg Environment reporter is asking for the names and number of Superfund sites on the National Priorities List that are contaminated with the chemical, Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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Response input from OLEM. Sylvia Carignan, scarignan@bloombergenvironment.com

Suggested Response: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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From: "Carignan, Sylvia" <scarignan@bloombergenvironment.com>
Date: January 3, 2018 at 1:16:54 PM EST
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: PFAS at Superfund sites

Hi all,

Happy new year! Hope you all got some time off. I'd like to follow up on something I heard about before the holidays:

It's my understanding that EPA has identified 32 federal and 15 non-federal NPL sites contaminated by PFAS. Could you provide the names of those sites?

And if there's an estimate of how many other NPL sites could be affected by PFAS, let me know about that as well. Dr. Tom Sinks had mentioned in a November presentation that there were likely "hundreds," but I'd like to know if EPA has a narrower estimate.

My deadline for this is Friday at 3 p.m.; let me know if that won't be enough time.

Best,
Sylvia

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Message

From: StClair, Christie [StClair.Christie@epa.gov]
Sent: 10/10/2017 4:48:27 PM
To: AO OPA Media Relations [AO_OPA_Media_Relations@epa.gov]
Subject: Christie's Daily Wrap, 10/10

Air and Radiation

NBC (Meredith Royster) [Received 10/4] – OPEN – Questions on tailpipe CO from the Ford Explorer. With program. Deadline 10/10.

Automotive Engineering (Kami Buchholz) [Received 10/4] – OPEN – Sent response on PEMS, reporter requests a name for attribution. With press@ for guidance. Deadline ASAP.

CNBC (Jeff Daniels) [Received 10/10] – OPEN – Looking for report on Fukushima impact, and environmental impact of 1950s/60s nuclear bomb testing. With ORIA. Deadline 10/11.

Enforcement

Inside EPA (Curt Barry) [Received 10/6] – OPEN – requesting letter of receipt EPA sent to petitioners over the CAA waiver for off-road vehicle standards. With program. Deadline tbd.

Land and Emergency Management

County News (Mary Ann Barton) [Received 10/4] – OPEN – Questions on brownfields, interview request. Liz has approved the interview with David Lloyd, scheduled for 11:30am 10/11. John Konkus, Amanda Sutton and Christie staffing. Hard deadline Oct. 12

Wall Street Journal (Erica Phillips) [Received 10/6] – CLOSED 10/6 – Checking for most recent municipal recycling data.

University of Missouri journalism student (Olivia DeSmit) [Received 10/10] – OPEN – Sending questions on the food waste hierarchy and grocery stores. Deadline tbd.

Message

From: Lynne Peeples [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
Sent: 2/7/2018 7:44:28 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
CC: Lynn, Tricia [lynn.tricia@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

Hello again, Enesta and Tricia. A follow-up on this Superfund story: I understand that Scott Pruitt announced 31 Superfund sites he wants prioritized for redevelopment -- part of a push to accelerate cleanups and make land available for community use. Related questions below. Possible to get answers by EOD on Friday?

1. Correct that Pruitt has increased the budget for remediation of at least some of these 31 sites beyond what was previously allocated? Where will funds come from for these projects?
2. Correct that President Donald Trump's proposed 2018 budget still seeks to cut the program by 30 percent? If passed, will this cut impact Pruitt's plans?

Thanks again,

Lynne

On Fri, Feb 2, 2018 at 12:05 PM, Lynne Peeples <[Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]> wrote:
Great. Thanks again, Enesta.

On Fri, Feb 2, 2018 at 12:02 PM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Lynne,

"EPA places a high priority on land revitalization as an integral part of its Superfund cleanup mission. This land would otherwise be unused. Instead, Superfund cleanups have allowed hundreds of communities to reclaim formerly contaminated Superfund sites for protective and productive uses. Communities have successfully reused Superfund sites for many industrial, commercial, ecological and recreational purposes. Many Superfund sites have been redeveloped in innovative ways, including alternative energy and mixed-use developments that bring together jobs and amenities. EPA has not noticed that any one type of reuse has proven problematic." **– Enesta Jones, EPA spokesperson**

From: Lynne Peeples [mailto:[Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
Sent: Friday, February 02, 2018 2:49 PM

To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Cc: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

Yes, that would be the chunk that I'd pull a quote from. Thank you. Possible to also [Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)] [Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)]?

On Fri, Feb 2, 2018 at 11:27 AM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Lynne, here's what I suggest for attributable language. I can move these forward for approval. OK?

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Lynne Peeples [mailto Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Friday, February 02, 2018 2:13 PM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Cc: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>

Subject: Re: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

Thank you, Enesta. Yes, I do still need attribution. I'll be filing the story next week, but anytime before next Friday should still be fine. I'm not sure when Ensia will run the story, but probably within a week or two after that. I can let you know! Appreciate it, and have a great weekend.

Lynne

On Fri, Feb 2, 2018 at 3:12 AM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Lynne, Tricia is out today and tomorrow. Do you still need attribution? What's the latest you can wait? When is the story slated to run?

Thanks,

Enesta

From: Lynne Peeples [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2018 5:28 PM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

Hi Tricia. Just checking back in. Have a name I could attribute this to yet? Thank you!

Lynne

On Thu, Jan 25, 2018 at 2:47 PM, Lynne Peeples < Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) > wrote:

That'd be great. Thanks again, Tricia!

On Thu, Jan 25, 2018 at 2:47 PM, Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov> wrote:

Thanks for checking, Lynne. I'm not a spokesperson for EPA, so please don't use my name. I'll be back in the morning and do what I can to find you a name.

Thanks!

From: Lynne Peeples [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Thursday, January 25, 2018 5:33 PM

To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

Very helpful. Thank you, Tricia. My editor would like us to be able to attribute to a person. Ok to use your name, as an EPA spokesperson?

Lynne

On Thu, Jan 25, 2018 at 12:15 PM, Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov> wrote:

Lynne—

For attribution to "an EPA spokesperson:"

1. I understand that, to date (12/21/17), 395 sites have now been remediated and removed from the Superfund list. Is this correct? Any ballpark for how many more sites might be remediated and removed from the list going forward -- in say, one year or 10 years?

That is correct. As of Jan. 18, 395 sites have been deleted from the Superfund National Priorities List. We display the up-to-date number of NPL sites, including deleted sites, at https://www.epa.gov/superfund/superfund-national-priorities-list-npl.

The number of sites to be deleted in the coming years will be the number of sites where no further response is appropriate and EPA determines that criteria has been met to warrant a delisting decision.

2. Why is reuse of the sites important? What kind of follow-up, if any, does the EPA do after a site is removed from the Superfund list? Does the agency -- or others -- monitor the reuse?

EPA places a high priority on land revitalization as an integral part of its Superfund cleanup mission. This land would otherwise be unused. Instead, Superfund cleanups have allowed hundreds of communities to reclaim formerly contaminated Superfund sites for protective and productive uses.

This redevelopment brings major economic benefits. Information EPA has collected at 487 of the 888 sites in reuse indicate these sites supported approximately 6,600 businesses in 2017. These businesses' ongoing operations generate annual sales of $43.6 billion and employ more than 156,000 people who earned a combined income of $11.2 billion.

Regarding what EPA does after a site is deleted from the NPL, EPA conducts follow-up reviews — even after NPL deletion — every five years when hazardous substances remain on site above levels that permit unrestricted use and unlimited exposure.

3. Of the repurposing uses so far, could you share examples of what has worked the best? Any particularly innovative approaches that future projects could consider?

Communities have successfully reused Superfund sites for many industrial, commercial, ecological and recreational purposes. Many Superfund sites have been redeveloped in innovative ways, including alternative energy facilities (https://www.epa.gov/superfund-redevelopment-initiative/alternative-energy-superfund-sites) and mixed-use developments that bring together jobs and amenities.

The Superfund Redevelopment Initiative (SRI) provides success stories resulting from fruitful partnerships. These can be accessed on the SRI website: https://www.epa.gov/superfund-redevelopment-initiative/depth-case-studies-superfund-reuse. There are 30 in-depth case studies available. Two projects are highlighted below to give a sense of the redevelopment stories unfolding nationwide:

- The Sullivan's Ledge Solar Project is one of numerous renewable energy facilities located on current and former contaminated lands. Built on an old landfill affected by soil and groundwater contamination, the facility generates pollution-free energy and has restored a vacant area to beneficial use. The 1.75-megawatt facility includes over 5,000 block-mounted fixed-tilt solar panels. Project financier SunEdison, Inc., leases the site from the city and then sells the solar net metering credits back to the city at a reduced rate under a 20-year power purchase agreement.
- In the early 1980s, decades of disinvestment had left the Tacoma, Washington, waterfront abandoned and blighted. Industrial activities contaminated soil, groundwater and sediments across more than 10 square miles of Commencement Bay and Tacoma. The City of Tacoma, the Washington State Department of Ecology, EPA and other stakeholders collaborated to engage the public, clean up the area, address liability issues, establish public-private partnerships, secure funding, and revitalize the waterway. Today, the cleanup of the Thea Foss Waterway is complete. A public esplanade extends along the shore, punctuated by public parks, apartment buildings, restaurants and diverse businesses. The Museum of Glass is home to a contemporary collection of artists from around the world, with the Chihuly Bridge of Glass connecting the museum to downtown Tacoma. New, state-of-the-art marinas and water-based businesses have established the Thea Foss Waterway as a major boating destination in the Puget Sound region.

4. What uses so far have proved problematic? Any lessons we can take away to inform future repurposing projects?

EPA has not noticed that any one type of reuse has proven problematic.

Best,

Tricia

Tricia Lynn

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From: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) **On Behalf Of** Lynne Peeples
Sent: Wednesday, January 17, 2018 8:20 PM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

Thanks again, Tricia. Questions below. Yes, I would need answers by 1/26. A call would still be ideal, if at all possible. Appreciate it!

1. I understand that, to date (12/21/17), 395 sites have now been remediated and removed from the Superfund list. Is this correct? Any ballpark for how many more sites might be remediated and removed from the list going forward -- in say, one year or 10 years?

2. Why is reuse of the sites important? What kind of follow-up, if any, does the EPA do after a site is removed from the Superfund list? Does the agency -- or others -- monitor the reuse?

3. Of the repurposing uses so far, could you share examples of what has worked the best? Any particularly innovative approaches that future projects could consider?

4. What uses so far have proved problematic? Any lessons we can take away to inform future repurposing projects?

On Wed, Jan 17, 2018 at 10:29 AM, Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Lynne—

Thanks for your email. In order to proceed, I'll need a complete list of your questions (though we can go back with follow-up if necessary). I also want to confirm that 1/26 is your deadline.

I'm happy to ask about a call, but please be aware that they're not always available. If not, we can generally respond in writing.

Thanks again. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

--Tricia

From: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) **On Behalf Of** Lynne Peeples
Sent: Wednesday, January 17, 2018 12:41 PM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

Good afternoon,

Just wanted to follow up on my request. Thanks so much again.

Lynne

On Fri, Jan 12, 2018 at 1:29 PM, Lynne Peeples <lpeeples@post.harvard.edu> wrote:

Hi Tricia,

I'm reporting a story for Ensia on the repurposing of former Superfund sites -- examples of what lands are being used for now, lessons learned so far as to what works well and what doesn't, etc. Would it be possible to connect me with someone at the EPA who could speak to this? The sooner the better, of course, but anytime in the next two weeks would be fine.

Thanks so much, in advance, for your time and help.

Best,

Lynne

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 10/19/2017 4:37:12 PM
To: Sparacino, Jessica [sparacino.jessica@epa.gov]
CC: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]; Lynn, Tricia [lynn.tricia@epa.gov]; Sorokin, Nicholas [sorokin.nicholas@epa.gov]; StClair, Christie [StClair.Christie@epa.gov]; Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: FOR REVIEW: Open Inquiries for Review -- 10/19/17 -- MORNING

Accurate

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On Oct 19, 2017, at 12:25 PM, Sparacino, Jessica <sparacino.jessica@epa.gov> wrote:

Non-Hurricane Responses for Review:

- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Waste Dive, DEADLINE: 10/20 (Cody Boteler), Re: Landfill NSPS/EG rules and guidance. *Enesta Jones.*
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Waste360, DEADLINE: 10/19 (Arlene Karidis), Re: WasteWise. *Christie StClair.*
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Inside EPA, DEADLINE: 10/19 (Suzanne Yohannan), Re: Radiation PAGs Q&A Document. *Tricia Lynn.*
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->New York Times, DEADLINE: 10/19 (Roni Rabin), Re: Pesticides Program meetings with stakeholders. *Robert Daguillard.*
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Investigative Reporting Workshop, DEADLINE: 10/18 (Reis Thebault), Re: Oil refinery capacity search. *Tricia Lynn.*
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Freelancer, DEADLINE: 10/13 (J. Zuckerman), Re: Pasion River Fish Kill Investigation. *Robert Daguillard.*
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->New Yorker, DEADLINE: Early October (Margaret Talbot), Re: Ann Arbor lab. *Robert Daguillard.*
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->The Nation, DEADLINE: 8/18 (Rene Ebersole), Re: Glyphosate review. *Robert Daguillard.*

Hurricane Maria:

- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->AP (Michael Biesecker) – Drinking water access. (9/26)
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->The Atlantic (Lena Felton) – Drinking water access. (10/12) (DDL: 10/12)
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->BuzzFeed News (Grace Wyler) – Vieques Naval Installation assessments. (10/15)
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->E&E News (Niina Heikkinen) – Interview with emergency response staff. (9/25)
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Inside Climate News (Philip McKenna) – Update on Superfund and oil site assessments in PR/USVI. (10/2) (DDL: ASAP)
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Inside EPA (Anthony Lacey) – Interview with Pete Lopez. (9/28)

- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->New Scientist Magazine (Aylin Woodward) – Groundwater contamination risks. (10/16) (DDL: 10/17)
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->New York Public Radio (Daniel Lewis) – Role in recovery and areas of particular concern in Puerto Rico. (10/2) (DDL: 10/2)
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Vox (Umair Irfan) – Status of Superfund sites. (10/19)
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Washington Examiner (John Siciliano) – Response in Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands. (9/25)
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Xylem (Lisa Landry) - Interview on water quality. (10/17)

Waste Dive, DEADLINE: 10/20 (Cody Boteler), Re: Landfill NSPS/EG rules and guidance. ***Enesta Jones.***

Background:
Waste Dive reporter is asking about the current state of New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) and emission guidelines (EG) rules related to landfills, and EPA's guidance on these rules. Response input from OAR/OAQPS. Cody Boteler, cboteler@industrydive.com

Suggested Response:

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Inquiry:

Hello,

I hope this message finds you well. I'm Cody Boteler, associate editor at Waste Dive.

We're working on a story to help our audience understand the current state of NSPS and EG rules, especially as they connect to landfills. I was hoping I could get some response or input from EPA.

- What guidance is EPA giving to states, companies and municipalities as it concerns limiting or monitoring emissions from landfills? The 90-day stay expired in September -- how does EPA interpret that in terms of what standards and rules landfills must operate under?
- Some have described to us that they're kind of operating under two sets of rules -- the old rules, because there was no language saying that they could stop following the old rules, and the new rules, since the 90-day stay has expired. Is that something that EPA has heard concern about?
- Will there be, or is there currently, another rulemaking process to consider changes to emissions guidelines for landfills?

Essentially, as it concerns NSPS and EG rules....where are we now, and where are we headed? We're talking to industry officials, but need some sort of guidance from how EPA is interpreting things.

Waste360, DEADLINE: 10/19 (Arlene Karidis), Re: WasteWise. ***Christie StClair.***

Background: The Deputy Division Director of the Resource Conservation and Sustainability Division approved this response. Please note the reporter has specifically asked for a name and title for attribution. Deadline is tomorrow, 10/19. Reporter: Arlene Karidis, Waste360, Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Proposed response:

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Inquiry:

Hi Christie,

I'm writing for Waste360 on EPA's WasteWise program. Can you please provide me with answers to the questions (BELOW) by **Thursday, Oct 19**, including name and title of person I am to quote?

Thanks.
Arlene

QUESTIONS
When I went to one EPA line about WasteWise, there was a note that said the content was not being maintained and to click on the EPA logo for more information. Clicking on the EPA logo did not provide up to date info on WasteWise. So can you confirm if the info at this link is current?
https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2016-03/documents/10_steps_rev.pdf

If the above link is dated, can you direct me to current info that provides steps or tips to implement a successful WasteWise program?

What organizations/businesses/entities are utilizing WasteWise?

How many organizations/entities use WasteWise? And what types of organizations are they mainly?

Is WasteWise a free program?

How has WasteWise made a difference from EPA's stand?
How are you tracking this difference and or outcomes, assuming you are?

If you don't have data to indicate WasteWise benefits/outcomes, what difference are you hoping WasteWise will make? I am looking for an insightful quote in response to this question. Please provide name and title of person I am to quote

There was information here https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2016-03/documents/10_steps_rev.pdf about the SMM data management system that was not clear to me. With that said:

How does the SMM data management system work?
Is it a specific software app? How do you access it? In other words, do you download it and, if so, from what website? Is it something you access from a portal once you register for the WasteWise program?

I read about other tools for WasteWise partners, such as a Volume-to-Weight Conversion Factor document that provides standard conversions for various materials. How do you access this document?

What other tools and resource can you access once you sign up for WasteWise? And again, how do you access them?

Inside EPA, DEADLINE: 10/19 (Suzanne Yohannan), Re: Radiation PAGs Q&A Document. ***Tricia Lynn.***

Background:

Reporter has questions that relate to EPA's recent release of the Protective Action Questions & Answers for Radiological and Nuclear Emergencies. Reporter is Suzanne Yohannan (suzanne.yohannan@iwpnews.com) with Inside EPA.

Suggested Response:

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Inquiry:

Dear press officer:

I'm a reporter for Inside EPA. I have a few questions that relate to EPA's recent release of the Protective Action Questions & Answers for Radiological and Nuclear Emergencies, a companion document to the PAG manual for radiological emergencies.

In the Q&A document, EPA says: "According to radiation safety experts, radiation exposures of 5-10 rem (5,000 - 10,000 mrem or 50-100 [millisieverts] usually result in no harmful health effects, because radiation below these levels is a minor contributor to our overall cancer risk."

But in a 2008 (updated) EPA document, "Communicating Radiation Risks: Crisis Communications for Emergency Responders," which is posted on EPA's same radiation page, EPA says that "There is no known safe amount of radiation."

1. Can you explain how EPA is reconciling these two (above) statements, given their apparent contradictions?

2. The level of 5-10 rems would produce a risk far outside EPA's acceptable risk range of radiation exposure. I recognize that the Q&A relates to guidance for emergency/temporary situations. Nonetheless, whether or not you're in an emergency situation, EPA is still saying that that one-time exposure level of 5-10 rem generally doesn't result in a harmful effect. Can you provide me with the logic EPA is using to say such an exposure level -- which produces a risk outside of EPA's standard risk range -- nonetheless usually doesn't result in harm?

3. What additional science/ data from radiation safety experts supports the conclusion that 5-10 rem is usually not harmful?

4. Will this position -- that 5-10 rem is usually not harmful -- prompt EPA to change requirements for cleanup at nuclear waste sites?

I'm working under a deadline of Thursday at 11 a.m.

Thanks very much.

New York Times, DEADLINE: 10/19 (Roni Rabin), Re: Pesticides Program meetings with stakeholders. ***Robert Daguillard.***

Background:

Rick Keigwin drafted this response. Nancy Beck has approved. Roni Rabin – New York Times – roni.rabin@nytimes.com

Response:

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Inquiry:

I'm writing an article about a series of meetings that have taken place in recent months between growers and pesticide makers, on the one hand, and EPA officials including Rick Keigwin and others. During these meetings, the growers and pesticide makers have promoted a detailed agenda for loosening regulations on pesticides, including regulations on residues in drinking water and regulations to protect commercial honeybees. I wanted to get a response from the EPA about how much influence the industry groups have over policy under the current administration; and whether similar meetings are also held with environmentalist advocacy organizations.

I also wanted to know whether the EPA plans to suspend use of human epidemiological data to set safety levels for pesticides, and get a sense where the risk reassessment for pyrethroids stands.

My deadline is Thursday.

Thank you.

Roni Caryn Rabin

Investigative Reporting Workshop, DEADLINE: 10/18 (Reis Thebault), Re: Oil refinery capacity search. ***Tricia Lynn.***

Background:

Reporter has follow-up to a question we responded to earlier this week. For his research he's looking for refinery capacity information that comes with FRS (Facility Registry Service) ID numbers. Reporter is Reis Thebault, Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) with Investigative Reporting Workshop

Suggested Response:

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Inquiry:

On the refinery capacity data, I spoke with the EIA, and I've seen the data it keeps on capacity. It's helpful, but the trouble is that the EIA doesn't use FRS ID numbers, so there's really no way I can be sure that a refinery on the EIA's list is the same as one on the EPA's.

This would really be a favor: I'm interested in refinery capacity because it seems like a good proxy for the size of any given refinery and, then, for the amount of air pollution that refinery generates. Could you tell me what data I might find in an EPA database (that comes with FRS ID numbers) that would tell me how much air pollution each refinery creates?

Hope I'm not pushing my luck too much, here!

Freelancer, DEADLINE: 10/13 (J. Zuckerman), Re: Pasion River Fish Kill Investigation. ***Robert Daguillard.***

Background:

A subject matter expert from the Science and Ecosystems Division (R4) provided the response for this inquiry. Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) The reporter is asking about studies on findings of malathion, an insecticide, in the Pasion river in Guatemala. Her inquiry is part of a book project on palm oil. Jocelyn Zuckerman – Freelancer – Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Response:

1. As of the writing of the report (September 16, 2015), EPA had not been given the surface water sample analytical results from sampling activities conducted on July 7, 2015. On page 9 of the report it says, "Upon completion of the analytical results, the results and their interpretation will be provided in an additional report.

I'm hoping you can send that additional report along. (If for some reason there was never an additional report done, can you explain why?)

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

2. Similarly, EPA had not received technical documentation related to the fish sampling protocols performed during the fish kill investigation and fish tissue toxicity analytical results. Has the agency since received these and if so, please provide those results.

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

3. At the top of page 11, the following note appears in boldface type:
"Even though Malathion was mentioned as one of the suspected pollutants in the Pasion River fish kill and EPA recognized the potential pollution effects of this pesticide, the Malathion's analytical results were not shared with the EPA team. Consequently, the agency cannot formulate a technical opinion on this particular case. If the Malathion analytical results are provided, EPA will be available to present a technical opinion on this matter, if requested." Were the Malathion analytical results subsequently provided, and if so, please send EPA's technical opinion. If those results were not provided, please explain why.

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Inquiry:
Thanks so much for getting back to me. I am working on a book about palm oil, including a chapter on Guatemala, and will likely do a magazine feature story as well. (I've written about palm oil for *Audubon, OnEarth, Vogue, NewYorker.com*, and *HuffPo*, among others.) I currently have a pitch in with the editors of *Mother Jones* but have not yet heard back. If I don't end up doing this piece for them I'll likely do for one of my other outlets. Happy to keep you posted on that front.

I was in Guatemala in late August and will probably head back down next month for some additional reporting. Really appreciate your help in trying to figure out these missing pieces from the report.

Thanks again and please let me know if there's any other information I can provide.

New Yorker, DEADLINE: Early October (Margaret Talbot), Re: Ann Arbor lab. *Robert Daguillard.*

Background:
The reporter would like to visit the Ann Arbor emissions lab during the week of October 9 as part of a larger piece on rulemaking, reconsiderations and repeals at the agency – Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) Margaret Talbot – the New Yorker – Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Response:
Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Inquiry:
Dear Mr. Daguillard,
I do mean the NVFEL in Ann Arbor--sorry for the dropped F!
The piece is a larger piece on some of the proposed rules reconsiderations at EPA under the new administrator, and one of the areas I'm likely focusing on is the re-opening of the mid-term evaluation on clean car standards.
I'm interested in the lab's role in research and testing on emissions in cases like the VW cover-up, and frankly--I'm sure you will understand this from a journalistic point of view--looking to get out of Washington and see some of the important work done at the EPA's labs that readers can more easily visualize.

P.S. If it works out, I was hoping to be able to go there the week of October 9th.

The Nation, DEADLINE: 8/18 (Rene Ebersole), Re: Glyphosate review. ***Robert Daguillard.***

Background:

The response consists of: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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Proposed Response:

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Inquiry:

I'm in the midst of an article having to do with Roundup and glyphosate and I have a few quick questions for someone there. If you can reply today I'd be very grateful!

1. What's the status of the draft glyphosate human health and ecological risk assessments for public comment? Are those still scheduled to be released in 2017? (Or have I missed them?)

2. Was there an outcome of the Scientific Advisory Panel on glyphosate? I see the minutes online, but it's not clear to me if anything ever came of that?

3. Was that panel a public hearing? Or was it open only to invited scientists?

4. I know this is a touchy question, but can you provide any comment on the charges that EPA officials, and specifically Jess Rowland, were "colluding" with Monsanto to promote glyphosate as non-carcinogenic?

Thanks for your time and attention.

HURRICANE MARIA

AP (Michael Biesecker) – Drinking water access. (9/26)
AP is reporting on the ground in PR about the crisis with access to drinking water. Are there any EPA folks on the ground there yet they could talk to? If not, is there an ETA for when they will arrive?

The Atlantic (Lena Felton) – Drinking water access. (10/12) (DDL: 10/12)
My name is Lena Felton, and I'm on the Politics team at *The Atlantic*. I'm writing in regards to the Reuters story published last night, about the report the EPA issued warning residents not to drink from wells near toxic-waste sites. I am wondering if the EPA has any additional comment as we work on a story here at *The Atlantic*. You can email or call the number below, and I'd appreciate a response as soon as possible, as our deadline is EOD.

BuzzFeed News (Grace Wyler) – Vieques Naval Installation assessments. (10/15)
I hope all is well. Are there any updates to the EPA's progress in assessing the damage at the former Vieques Naval Installation Superfund site? What's the current status of the site? Has the EPA been able to do any assessments of the damage there?

E&E News (Niina Heikkinen) – Interview with emergency response staff. (9/25)
Is there any chance I'd be able to talk to some emergency response staff on the ground in Puerto Rico (or any who have recently returned)? I'm working on writing something about EPA's response to Hurricane Maria and would very much like a more personal perspective of what's going on there. If possible, I'd like to speak with someone today.

Inside Climate News (Philip McKenna) – Update on Superfund and oil site assessments in PR/USVI. (10/2) (DDL: ASAP)
Dear EPA press office,
I just wanted to follow up with you to see if there is an update on EPA assessments of Superfund sites and oil sites in Puerto Rico and US Virgin Islands following hurricane Maria.
Last I spoke with you Elias Rodriguez on Thursday he told me 3 sites in Puerto Rico had been assessed and found to be OK and he said he thought there would be a new update this past Saturday.
Could you please let me know what the latest update is on EPA assessments of Superfund sites and oil sites on Puerto Rico and the US Virgin Islands as soon as possible?

Inside EPA (Anthony Lacey) – Interview with Pete Lopez. (9/28)
Hello -- would it be possible to organize a quick telephone interview with Region 2 Administrator Pete Lopez to talk about his priorities for the agency? Happy to figure out a pre-approved question list beforehand and stick to that.

New Scientist Magazine (Aylin Woodward) – Groundwater contamination risks. (10/16) (DDL: 10/17)
My name is Aylin Woodward and I am a reporter for New Scientist magazine in Boston. We are writing up a story on Puerto Ricans tapping into potentially contaminated groundwater in the wake of Hurricane Maria (see article here: http://edition.cnn.com/2017/10/16/americas/puerto-rico-superfund-water/index.html) and I was hoping you might be able to speak with me this afternoon about what the risks might be and if it's worth them tapping into those polluted sources? One of my sources at the NIH recommended you.

New York Public Radio (Daniel Lewis) – Role in recovery and areas of particular concern in Puerto Rico. (10/2) (DDL: 10/2)
I spoke with the incoming Region 2 Administrator earlier and have some follow-up questions regarding the EPA's response in Puerto Rico right now:
Does the agency have anyone currently on the ground, and if so, how many? What role is the agency currently playing in Puerto Rico's recovery right now? Are there any specific areas of the island that are of particular concern regarding issues from sewage, chemical plants, etc., and is there anything that the agency is currently doing to try and tackle that?
Thanks for the help. My deadline is 4pm today, and I look forward to hearing from you.

Vox (Umair Irfan) – Status of Superfund sites. (10/19)
I'm looking into the status of Superfund sites in Puerto Rico, Texas, and Florida in light of the recent storms that hit these regions. I wanted to see if someone at EPA could give a general assessment of the status of these sites (any breaches or contamination) and more generally speak to how the agency prepares for extreme weather.

Please let me know if you can point me to someone who can speak to this and how best I can get in touch with them.

Washington Examiner (John Siciliano) – Response in Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands. (9/25)
Can you explain the pause in Puerto Rico and V. Islands? Is it because its too hazardous?

Xylem (Lisa Landry) Interview on water quality. (10/17)
Hope all is well and you guys didn't sustain any damage from Nate! YSI started putting out our Mission Water magazine early last year, and they're currently working on the next edition. I think you're on the distribution list, but if not here's a link to check it out: https://www.ysi.com/mission-water . The editors in Ohio reached out to me because they are looking to do a Q&A piece in the next issue on hurricanes and potential post-hurricane water quality impacts. We'd love to have you or someone from your office for this interview since you guys cover Texas through Florida and do some great things here in the gulf. Would you have any interest in being interviewed for this piece? Let me know if you have any questions or need more information. Thanks!
Also, it was great seeing you at the conference in Mississippi back at the end of August – I attached a pic I snapped while you were giving your presentation. Let me know if you ever need a hand with the outreach you're doing!

Message

From: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
Sent: 10/17/2017 2:08:47 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]; Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: Fwd: Any word yet on Chemours' investigation

Please check with Andrea in this thx ng

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

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> **From:** Catherine Clabby <Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)>
> **Date:** October 17, 2017 at 9:38:53 AM EDT
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Cathy

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Thank you Enesta.

Cathy.

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Checking Catherine.

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Sent: 10/27/2017 9:01:44 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: coal mine methane question

Thanks again. Have a good weekend.

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Sent: Friday, October 27, 2017 5:01 PM
To: Schoof, Renee <rSchoof@bna.com>
Subject: Re: coal mine methane question

Correct.

On Oct 27, 2017, at 5:00 PM, Schoof, Renee <rSchoof@bna.com> wrote:

Hi again Enesta,
Just to be 100 percent clear, I'm taking your answer to my question 'Is there guidance on VOCs from coal mines' to mean there is no guidance on VOCs now (they are part of methane emissions), but the matter is being worked on as described by the spokesperson in the reply.
Please let me know if that is correct. This is the way I understand the answer.
Thanks.
Renee
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Message

From: Stuart Parker [stuart.parker@iwpnews.com]
Sent: 4/9/2018 4:57:23 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: final NO2 NAAQS rule

Thanks. Can you please send a heads-up once it is online?

Stuart

On 4/9/2018 12:25 PM, Jones, Enesta wrote:

Stuart,

On background (not for attribution): Yes, the rule has been signed. We are in the process of posting it.

On Apr 9, 2018, at 12:20 PM, Stuart Parker <stuart.parker@iwpnews.com> wrote:

Enesta, Hi.

I believe EPA was under a judicial deadline to issue a final NO2 NAAQS rule by April 6. I have not seen such a rule yet, can you please update me on what EPA's timetable now is to issue the rule?

Thanks,

Stuart Parker

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Message

From: Julia Boccagno [jboccagno@sbgtv.com]
Sent: 11/13/2017 2:16:53 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
CC: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Follow up: mosquitos

Hi Enesta,

Thanks for following up. My hard deadline is Wednesday, so if I could interview someone tomorrow, that'd be great.

Here are the questions I sent to Robert.

1.) Why now? Why has the ZAP strain method just been approved?

2.) Why were certain states selected for trials? Is this where mosquito-related issues are rampant?

3.) Who will monitor the release? And what does that process look like?

From: "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Date: Monday, November 13, 2017 at 8:26 AM
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Cc: "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>, "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
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MosquitoMate, the ZAP Males® registrant, first requested an experimental use permit (EUP) to test the *Wolbachia* technology in 2013. Since that time MosquitoMate has continued testing *Wolbachia* under a number of EPA-issued EUPs in select locations across the U.S. More information about these field trials can be found onwww.regulations.gov under docket number EPA-HQ-OPP-2013-0254.

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2.) **Why were certain states selected for trials? Is this where mosquito-related issues are rampant?**

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According to the label, ZAP Males® are for use only by MosquitoMate, Inc., those under direct contract with the company, government officials responsible for public health or vector control, or those certified to perform the applications. State lead pesticide agencies monitor for compliance with label requirements.

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On Nov 8, 2017, at 12:02 PM, Julia Boccagno <jboccagno@sbgtv.com> wrote:

Hi Robert,

I'm not on a firm deadline, but sooner rather than later is always preferred.

Yes, I've already reached out to Mosquito Mate, and they're interested in talking to me for the piece as well. Since the EPA is the institution that approved it, I believe it's equally vital to include the government's perspective as well.

Does this help?

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Date: Wednesday, November 8, 2017 at 11:55 AM
To: Julia Boccagno <jboccagno@sbgtv.com>
Subject: RE: Follow up: mosquitos

Thanks, Julia. Are you on a firm deadline? When are you hoping to produce your piece (video/audio)?

Also, how will information from EPA fit into your larger story? Other voices you're hoping to include?

Thanks, R.

From: Julia Boccagno [mailto:jboccagno@sbgtv.com]
Sent: Wednesday, November 08, 2017 11:50 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Follow up: mosquitos

Hi Robert,

Thanks for this. Still wondering if it's possible to arrange a quick on-camera interview, since we're primarily a video-centric news organization. I'd love to talk with someone from this department about the following:

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Please let me know if you're able to assist,

Julia

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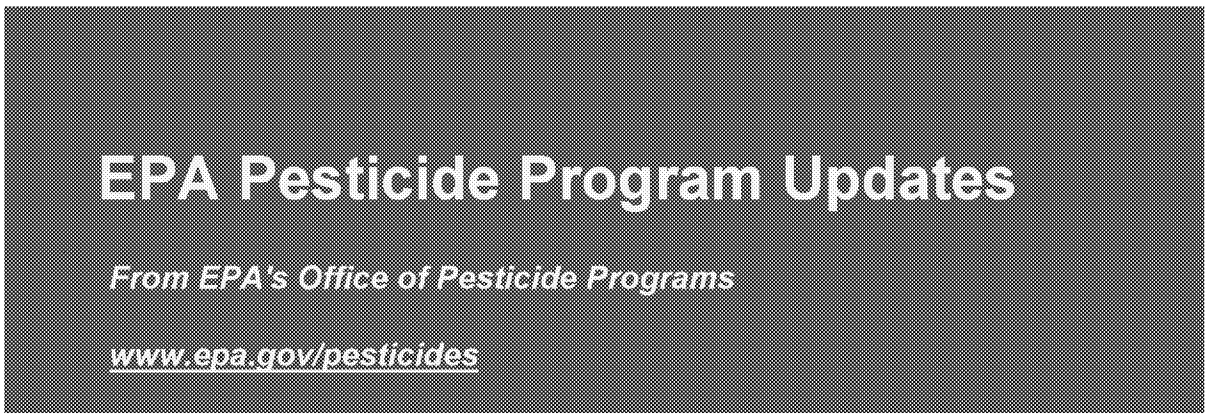

November 7, 2017

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On November 3, 2017, EPA registered a new mosquito biopesticide – ZAP Males® - that can reduce local populations of the type of mosquito (*Aedes albopictus*, or Asian Tiger Mosquitoes) that can spread numerous diseases of significant human health concern, including the Zika virus.

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EPA's risk assessments, along with the pesticide labeling, EPA's response to public comments on the Notice of Receipt, and the proposed registration decision, can be found on www.regulations.gov under docket number EPA-HQ-OPP-2016-0205.

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Many thanks,
Julia
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Sent: 4/9/2018 3:44:47 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Signing of final rule for Primary NOx standard

OK. Please let me know when it's up.

From: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
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To: Sean Reilly <sreilly@eenews.net>
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Subject: Re: Signing of final rule for Primary NOx standard

Sean,

On background (not for attribution): Yes, the rule has been signed. We are in the process of posting it.

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Hi folks:

According to this FR notice (https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2017-07-26/pdf/2017-15591.pdf), the final rule was supposed to be signed by Friday, April 6. I'm not seeing it, however, on the NOx NAAQS web page (https://www.epa.gov/no2-pollution/primary-national-ambient-air-quality-standards-naaqs-nitrogen-dioxide.) Can you let me know ASAP whether the final rule was signed, and if so, forward a copy? If it hasn't been signed, what's the reason for that and is there an ETA for doing so?

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From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Wednesday, September 27, 2017 7:33 AM
To: Eugene Gilligan <Eugene.Gilligan@acuris.com>
Cc: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: WIFIA projects

Hi Eugene,

Tricia Lynn, copied here, will be in touch.

On Sep 26, 2017, at 5:02 PM, Eugene Gilligan <Eugene.Gilligan@acuris.com> wrote:

Hi, Enesta:

I hope you are well. I am checking to see if you might be able to provide any information on the projects that were granted WIFIA funding. I understand that all of the projects are located in California.

Thanks, if it would be possible to get this information today, that would be great.

Best,

Gene

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Message

From: Lynn, Tricia [lynn.tricia@epa.gov]
Sent: 9/28/2017 9:24:11 PM
To: Fuld, John [Fuld.John@epa.gov]
CC: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]; Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: WIFIA projects

Understood.

From: Fuld, John
Sent: Thursday, September 28, 2017 5:24 PM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Cc: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: WIFIA projects

Will not get till Friday morning

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 28, 2017, at 5:22 PM, Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov> wrote:

> Spoke too soon. There's more follow-up on this one.
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> Thanks!
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> **From:** Eugene Gilligan [mailto:Eugene.Gilligan@acuris.com]
> **Sent:** Thursday, September 28, 2017 5:20 PM
> **To:** Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** RE: WIFIA projects
>
> Hi, Tricia:
>
> The confusion is arising from a speech given by Jordan Dorfman, senior attorney advisor to EPA, who said at a Bond Buyer conference that three California projects would receive $700 million in WIFIA funding.
>
> Again, any way we can clear up the discrepancy?
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> Thanks very much.
>
> Gene
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> **From:** Lynn, Tricia [mailto:lynn.tricia@epa.gov]
> **Sent:** Thursday, September 28, 2017 2:59 PM
> **To:** Eugene Gilligan <Eugene.Gilligan@acuris.com>
> **Subject:** RE: WIFIA projects
>
> Gene—
>
> If attributing, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson:"

Again, no loan funding has been received by any WIFIA project. No final decisions have been made as to whether individual projects will or will not receive loans, including any of the four in California.

Best,

Tricia

From: Eugene Gilligan [mailto:Eugene.Gilligan@acuris.com]
Sent: Thursday, September 28, 2017 1:42 PM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: WIFIA projects

Hi, Tricia:

Just checking on something one of our sources told us. The source said that 3 projects in California had received WIFIA funding, for a total of $700 million. That would seem to eliminate the last project, the San Francisco Southeast Water Pollution Control project in San Francisco.

Can you provide any guidance on this?

Thank you,

Gene

From: Lynn, Tricia [mailto:lynn.tricia@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, September 28, 2017 11:51 AM
To: Eugene Gilligan <Eugene.Gilligan@acuris.com>
Subject: RE: WIFIA projects

Hi Gene—

Please see below for EPA's response to your inquiry. If attributing, please attribute to "an EPA spokesperson:"

Best,

Tricia

Tricia Lynn
Office of Public Affairs
U.S. EPA
Office: 202.564.2615

The WIFIA program is inviting 12 entities with projects in nine states to apply for more than $2 billion in Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) loans. (See https://www.epa.gov/wifia/wifia-fy-2017-letters-interest-and-selected-projects#selectedprojects.) Among them, the WIFIA program invited 4 entities with projects in California to apply for loans. (See below)

EPA has not yet closed any of the 12 loans. After an invitee applies for WIFIA credit assistance, the WIFIA program conducts a detailed financial and engineering review in order to develop the terms and conditions for the project. Once a mutually agreeable term sheet is developed, the Administrator approves the loan and executes the term sheet. Based on the term sheet, the WIFIA program finalizes the terms of credit assistance. At closing, the Administrator and the borrower execute the credit agreement, which is the binding legal document that allows the borrower to receive WIFIA funds.

California Projects Invited to Apply for WIFIA credit assistance:

Project Name	**Borrower**	**Requested Loan Amount**
Groundwater Replenishment System Final Expansion	Orange County Water District (California)	$124 million
Pure Water San Diego	City of San Diego (California)	$492 million
Water Reclamation Facility Project	City of Morro Bay (California) (Small Community)	$82 million
Southeast Water Pollution Control Plant Biosolids Digester Facilities Project	San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (California)	$625 million

California

? Groundwater Replenishment System Final Expansion (Orange County, California) (PDF)(1 pg, 178 K)

? Pure Water San Diego (San Diego, California) (PDF)(1 pg, 178 K)

? Southeast Water Pollution Control Plant Biosolids Digester Facilities Project (San Francisco, California) (PDF)(1 pg, 230 K)

? Water Reclamation Project (Morro Bay, California) (PDF)(1 pg, 619 K)

From: Eugene Gilligan [mailto:Eugene.Gilligan@acuris.com]
Sent: Wednesday, September 27, 2017 4:21 PM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: WIFIA projects

Hi, Tricia:

Sorry to get back so late to you. I am wondering if you can provide the names of the water projects that received WIFIA funding in California. I understand that there are three of them.

Thanks, I don't know if it's possible, but if I can get an answer to this today, that would be great.

Thanks very much.

Gene

From: Lynn, Tricia [mailto:lynn.tricia@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, September 27, 2017 8:16 AM
To: Eugene Gilligan <Eugene.Gilligan@acuris.com>
Subject: RE: WIFIA projects

Hi Gene—

I see that you wrote to Enesta looking for an answer last night. Do you still want a response? If so, what's your hard deadline?

Thanks!

--Tricia

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Message

From: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/29/2018 9:00:48 PM
To: AO OPA Media Relations [AO_OPA_Media_Relations@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: 2018 ENERGY STAR POY materials for regional PADs
Attachments: 2018 ENERGY STAR POY winners by state and EPA region.xlsx; 2018 Profiles_Master_3.27.18.docx; FINAL 2018 ES POY press release 3.27.18 with link fix.docx; 2018 ENERGY STAR POY HQ approved social media.docx

Attached is the ESTar Partner of the Year press release to go out on Monday at 1 p.m. est.

If we hear back on the earth day connection proposed by Enesta, we can make adjustments.

Thanks ng

Nancy Grantham
Office of Public Affairs
US Environmental Protection Agency
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From: Sylvan, Stephan
Sent: Wednesday, March 28, 2018 5:27 PM
To: DeLuca, Isabel <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov>
Cc: Welderufael, Miriam <welderufael.miriam@epa.gov>; Clarke, Deirdre <clarke.deirdre@epa.gov>; Montoro, Marta <Montoro.Marta@epa.gov>
Subject: 2018 ENERGY STAR POY materials for regional PADs

Hi Isabel,

As discussed, I am attaching four items to help regional PADs with ENERGY STAR POY (Partner of the Year) amplification, all with a 9:30 AM 4-2-18 embargo:

- EPA HQ approved press release
- EPA HQ approved social media
- ENERGY STAR POY winner profiles in leadership
- Spreadsheet listing the POY winners by state and region

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Stephan

Stephan D. Sylvan
Climate Protection Partnerships Division
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Message

From: LeeAnn Dance Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: 7/25/2019 9:22:49 PM
To: Sauerhage, Maggie [Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Press inquiry

Thanks very much for the referral.

On Jul 25, 2019, at 5:19 PM, Sauerhage, Maggie <Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov> wrote:

Good afternoon LeeAnn,

We'll have to decline an interview at this time, but recommend you check out our webpage on energy recovery from the combustion of municipal solid waste for more information: https://www.epa.gov/smm/energy-recovery-combustion-municipal-solid-waste-msw.

Additionally, you might want to visit this local waste to energy plant: https://www.covanta.com/Our-Facilities/Covanta-Alexandria.

Thanks,
Maggie

Maggie Sauerhage
Office of Public Affairs
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Office: (202) 564-0443
Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

From: LeeAnn Dance Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Wednesday, July 24, 2019 11:55 AM
To: Sauerhage, Maggie <Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Press inquiry

Maggie,
Here are questions Michael would like to ask. Additionally, might you recommend a facility in the DC area that we could visit? Thanks.

Brief explanation of what is meant by energy recovery from the combustion of MSW.
How does MSW combustion help in the reduction of carbon emissions and methane generation?
How common are MSW facilities in the US?
How much waste does America combust for energy recovery?
Where does MSW combustion rank in the hierarchy of waste management?
What are the types of combustion technologies, and what is most used in the US?
Could you explain the mass burn process?
What is done with the leftover waste?
How does burning for energy recovery contribute to waste minimization?
How do you see this technology use changing or developing in the future?

LeeAnn

On Jul 22, 2019, at 3:16 PM, Sauerhage, Maggie <Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov> wrote:

Thanks for the additional information. Will the interview be for attribution and on-camera, off-camera for attribution, or on background? Additionally, can you please send your questions?

Thanks,
Maggie

Maggie Sauerhage
Office of Public Affairs
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From: LeeAnn Dance Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Monday, July 22, 2019 3:12 PM
To: Sauerhage, Maggie <Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Press inquiry

Great! The team will be in DC August 2nd and 5th. Very tight turnaround, and I'm sorry for that. The series will air in the Republic of Kazan and will be in both Russian and Tartar. They will use subtitles to translate. Thanks for your assistance. I appreciate it.

> On Jul 22, 2019, at 3:05 PM, Sauerhage, Maggie <Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov> wrote:
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> Good afternoon,
>
> I can look into this for you. What's your deadline and where will the five-part series air?
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> Thanks,
> Maggie
>
> Maggie Sauerhage
> Office of Public Affairs
> U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
> Office: (202) 564-0443
> Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
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> **From:** LeeAnn Dance Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
> **Sent:** Monday, July 22, 2019 2:59 PM
> **To:** Press <Press@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** Press inquiry
>
> I am a contract producer with the State Department and am assisting a three-person team of journalists who are coming to the US in early August as guests of the State Department to produce a five-part series

of reports on sustainable urban development and waste management. The on-air reporter, Michael Liubimov, has asked if he could meet with someone from EPA to regarding energy recovery from the combustion of municipal solid waste. Michael is very knowledgeable on the issue of sustainability and hopes to focus on policies and programs that would be replicable at home in the Republic of Kazan. I would appreciate if you could put me in contact with the right person to move forward with this request. Thanks for your assistance.

LeeAnn Dance
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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 11/14/2017 8:30:51 PM
To: Steil, Mark [MSteil@mpr.org]; Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: MPR News/dicamba

Mark, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

How many acres of U.S. farmland were damaged by dicamba drift/volatility this past summer? How many farmers were affected?

Based on information collected by Dr. Kevin Bradley of the University of Missouri quantifying crop damage complaints reported to state departments of agriculture, as of October 15, 2017, over 2,700 formal dicamba-related incidents were reported, estimating a total of over 3.6 million acres of soybeans. These are the estimates that are available to EPA, but they are not EPA estimates.

Do the number of farmer complaints about dicamba reflect the true damage, or is it likely that many instances of dicamba damage were not reported? How many?

EPA relies on numbers that are reported to the state departments of agriculture. See this presentation to the PPDC for more information on reported incidents –https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2017-11/documents/ppdc-dicamba-overview-update-nov-1-2017.pdf

How does this summer's dicamba damage compare to past herbicide problems?

Equivalent numbers are not available for 2016 and earlier. Moreover, dicamba use on dicamba-tolerant soybean and cotton were not registered for the 2016 season.

What type of federal response is needed?

EPA worked cooperatively with states, land-grant universities, and the pesticide manufacturers to examine the underlying causes of recent crop damage in the farm belt and southeast. We carefully reviewed the available information and developed tangible changes to be implemented during the 2018 growing season. This is an example of cooperative federalism that leads to workable national-level solutions.

EPA's Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance handles federal oversight of investigations of possible misuse. Under certain circumstances that are defined by the statute, FIFRA conveys primary enforcement responsibility (primacy) for use violations to the states. Where a state has primacy, use investigations are generally conducted under state law. Each state has a lead agency (often the state department of agriculture) with primary responsibility for investigating and enforcing incidents involving the use of pesticides in the state. For more information about enforcement in a state, contact the state lead agencies.

What are the new application guidelines the major dicamba producers have agreed to enact? (October 13 announcement)

Manufacturers have voluntarily agreed to label changes that impose additional requirements for "over the top" use of these products next year including:

- Classifying products as "restricted use," permitting only certified applicators with special training, and those under their supervision, to apply them; dicamba-specific training for all certified applicators to reinforce proper use;
- Requiring farmers to maintain specific records regarding the use of these products to improve compliance with label restrictions;

- Limiting applications to when maximum wind speeds are below 10 mph (from 15 mph) to reduce potential spray drift;
- Reducing the times during the day when applications can occur;
- Including tank clean-out language to prevent cross contamination; and
- Enhancing susceptible crop language and record keeping with sensitive crop registries to increase awareness of risk to especially sensitive crops nearby.

Manufacturers have agreed to a process to get the revised labels into the hands of farmers in time for the 2018 use season.

How will the agency judge the effectiveness of the new guidelines?

EPA will monitor the success of these changes to help inform our decision whether to allow the continued "over the top" use of dicamba beyond the 2018 growing season.

What sort of options are available to the EPA if the new application guidelines are judged not effective?

When EPA registered these products, it set the registrations to expire in 2 years to allow EPA to change the registration or allow the registration to terminate, if necessary.

Cheers, R.

From: Steil, Mark [mailto:MSteil@mpr.org]
Sent: Monday, November 13, 2017 10:41 AM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Cc: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: MPR News/dicamba

Today if possible……

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Monday, November 13, 2017 9:31 AM
To: Steil, Mark <MSteil@mpr.org>
Cc: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: MPR News/dicamba

Ok. When would you like to hear back from us, Mark?

On Nov 13, 2017, at 10:29 AM, Steil, Mark <MSteil@mpr.org> wrote:

Yes, I'm still interested….here are the questions I sent to Robert Daguillard last week:

*Thanks for your time on the phone….here are some questions about dicamba:

-How many acres of U.S. farmland were damaged by dicamba drift/volatility this past summer?
-How many farmers were affected?
-Do the number of farmer complaints about dicamba reflect the true damage, or is it likely that many instances of dicamba damage were not reported? How many?
-How does this summer's dicamba damage compare to past herbicide problems?
-what type of federal response is needed?
-what are the new application guidelines the major dicamba producers have agreed to enact? (October 13 announcement)
-How will the agency judge the effectiveness of the new guidelines?

-What sort of options are available to the EPA if the new application guidelines are judged not effective?

Mark Steil
MPR News
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From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Monday, November 13, 2017 9:21 AM
To: Steil, Mark <MSteil@mpr.org>
Cc: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>; Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: MPR News/dicamba

Hi Mark, are you still in need of this information? What are your specific questions and hard deadline?

From: Steil, Mark [mailto:MSteil@mpr.org]
Sent: Wednesday, November 08, 2017 3:44 PM
To: Baris, Reuben <Baris.Reuben@epa.gov>
Subject: MPR News/dicamba

Hi, I'm wondering if you're available for a telephone interview on the dicamba issue. I saw your comments in the New York Times story last week, and want to follow up on that.

Thanks.

Mark Steil
Minnesota Public Radio News, reporter
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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/8/2019 7:55:53 PM
To: Hunt, Haley (NBCUniversal) [Haley.Hunt@nbcuni.com]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Question for today

Haley, for attribution to "an EPA Spokesperson," please:

Why has the EPA's legal limit for glyphosate increased over the years? (was 0.1 ppm in 1993).

The tolerance for glyphosate in oats was increased to 30 parts per million in 2009 to harmonize with the Codex* maximum residue levels (MRLs). One reason for that increase was the use in some countries (such as Canada) as a drying agent on oats, a use that is not registered in the U.S.

The Agency found no risks of concern in the current dietary risk assessment assuming the maximum-allowable residues on cereal grains. By law, EPA is required to harmonize with Codex MRLs unless there are compelling reasons to establish a different tolerance level. Harmonization facilitates trade for U.S. growers.

The pesticide tolerance (or maximum legal residue level) is established for each commodity for which a product has been registered. The level is set at the highest level that might occur in each commodity if the pesticide were used at the maximum rate allowed under its registration. The tolerance level is not the maximum safe level, but rather the maximum level that would result from applying the maximum amount of pesticide. It is an enforcement tool, designed to make sure the pesticide is used according to label directions.

A tolerance level may be increased for various reasons including:

- A change in the pesticide use pattern;
- To allow for imports where the use may be different than in the U.S.;
- To harmonize with Codex* or other international regulatory authorities.

Data from the U.S. Department of Agriculture Pesticide Data Program consistently show that pesticide residues in the grocery store are significantly lower than the tolerances set by EPA. Tolerances are based on possible residues at the "farm gate," which are generally significantly higher than those found on the "dinner plate."

*The Codex Alimentarius is a set of international food standards, guidelines and codes of practice. For more information http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/about-codex/en/#c453333

Why does the EPA not use a 10 fold margin of safety that is recommended under the Food Quality Protection Act when setting a limit on glyphosate?

The Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), as amended by FQPA, requires the Agency to apply a 10-fold margin of safety when establishing tolerances on food when considering risks to infants and children from pre- and post-natal exposure to a pesticide, unless the agency has reliable data that indicates that a different factor is appropriate.

The Agency reviewed several studies for glyphosate that consistently show that there was no difference in sensitivity between adults and their offspring. Therefore, EPA applied the same margin of safety in risk assessments for infants, children and adults.

In the human health risk assessment, the Agency evaluated risks to all populations, including infants, children and women of child-bearing age, and found no risks of concern from eating food and drinking water with glyphosate residues. EPA also found no risks of concern to children entering or playing on residential areas treated with glyphosate.

For more information, go to www.epa.gov/pesticide-science-and-assessing-pesticide-risks/determination-appropriate-fqpa-safety-factors

Cheers, R.

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From: Hunt, Haley (NBCUniversal) <Haley.Hunt@nbcuni.com>
Sent: Monday, July 01, 2019 3:28 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Question for today

Hello Robert,

Thank you for your help thus far. Here is our remaining question:

- Why does the EPA not use a 10 fold margin of safety that is recommended under the Food Quality Protection Act when setting a limit on glyphosate?

Thank you,
Haley

Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/25/2019 8:14:06 PM
To: Nick Lowrey [nick.lowrey@sdnewswatch.org]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]; Mutter, Andrew [mutter.andrew@epa.gov]; Mylott, Richard [Mylott.Richard@epa.gov]; McClain-Vanderpool, Lisa [Mcclain-Vanderpool.Lisa@epa.gov]; Perrin, Rebecca [Perrin.Rebecca@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Subject: Story for South Dakota media on Honey Bees and pesticides

Nick, for attribution to "an EPA Spokesperson," please:

1)What is EPA doing to get a better understanding of how popular pesticides, herbicides and fungicides are affecting both domestic and wild pollinators?

EPA has a well-established process for evaluating the risk of pesticides to pollinators. This process has been subject to extensive peer review and is considered a gold standard for evaluating risk. The process enables EPA to meet its statutory responsibilities to ensure that registered uses of a pesticide do not pose unreasonable risks to bees and other pollinators.

The EPA's Pollinator Risk Assessment Guidance is part of our long-term strategy to advance the science of assessing the risks posed by pesticides to bees, giving risk managers the means to further improve pollinator protection in our regulatory decisions.

2) Does the EPA need to further restrict the use of neonicotinoid pesticides in response to the problems they are causing bees and honey producers?
Response: EPA's 2017 and 2018 assessments for clothianidin, thiamethoxam and dinotefuran, similar to the preliminary pollinator assessment for imidacloprid, showed that most EPA-approved uses do not pose significant risks to bee colonies. The assessments show that spray applications to a few crops, such as cucumbers, berries and cotton, may pose meaningful risks to bees that come in direct contact with residue. EPA will address these risks as we finish our review of the neonicotinoid pesticides, most of which are scheduled to be concluded this year. EPA is currently reviewing the comments received on the draft preliminary assessments. We will revise our pollinator risk assessments as needed, considering benefits information, as well as the revised pollinator risk estimates. When necessary, we will propose appropriate risk mitigation.

3) What are the challenges EPA faces when trying to enforce the application restrictions on pesticide and herbicide labels?

- The reporter should note, the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) accords States the primary responsibility for enforcing pesticide use violations. We recommend that the reporter reach out to ask the question of State Department of Ag pesticide programs or their association AAPCO. Primacy, however, does not mean States have sole responsibility. EPA does have a role and we have a cooperative agreement relationship working together to implement the national pesticide program. To help states investigate bee kills that may be related to pesticide use, EPA developed "Guidance for Inspecting Alleged Cases of Pesticide-Related Bee Incidents" (2013)

https://www.epa.gov/compliance/guidance-inspecting-alleged-cases-pesticide-related-bee-incidents

In regards to enforcing any application restrictions on pesticide/herbicide labels EPA can share in general some challenges may include:

- EPA and State inspectors are not usually present during applications, so it can be challenging to prove that application requirements were violated.
- In cases of bee or other pollinator kills, it is often challenging to identify the primary cause of the losses. Bee kills can be due to disease, poor nutrition, weather events and other factors as well as pesticide use.

- Where pesticides were responsible or contributed to a bee kill, the application may or may not have involved violation of the label, thus taking an enforcement action may not be appropriate.
- Where pesticides are found to have contributed to a bee kill, it may be difficult to identify who conducted the pesticide application that was responsible, especially where the pesticide is widely used in the area, and as bees commonly travel miles from the hive.

4) There is a growing body of research showing that commercial fungicides also are having a detrimental effect on bees. Does EPA need to take a look at fungicide use guidelines? Why or why not?
Response: EPA is applying our pollinator risk assessment process to all pesticides that are approved for uses that might pose risks to bees, including fungicides. As pesticides go through the agency's current and rigorous regulatory processes, we believe the risk assessments will provide critical insights about the exposures and risks approved uses may present to bees and other beneficial insects. When necessary, we will propose appropriate risk mitigation.

5) Several beekeepers I've spoken too have expressed their disappointment with EPA when it comes to the pesticide, herbicide and fungicide approval process and the agency's reliance on industry-backed research in making approval decisions. Are those criticisms fair? Why or why not?
Response: EPA regulates pesticides consistent with the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, which requires the agency to weigh pesticide risks against the benefits. Approval of pesticides under FIFRA generally relies on data that is provided by pesticide registrants to support their applications for registration based on EPA's data requirements. These studies must be conducted under protocols and guidelines approved by EPA and under Good Laboratory Practices to ensure the quality and integrity of test data submitted to the Agency in support of a pesticide product registration under FIFRA Part 160—Good Laboratory Practice Standards. EPA then independently reviews those studies for their scientific veracity. In addition to registrant-submitted studies, EPA scientists also review pesticide studies from peer-reviewed scientific journals. By reviewing open literature studies and those supplied by the registrant, agency scientists ensure they are identifying hazards and characterizing risks using the most robust data available. EPA is confident that our regulatory decisions and other actions the agency has taken are protecting pollinators.

6) What are the problems with relying on industry-backed research for making decisions about the approval of products such as sulfoxaflor?
Response: As stated above, approval of pesticides under FIFRA generally relies on data that is provided by pesticide registrants to support their applications for registration based on EPA's data requirements. These studies must be conducted under protocols and guidelines approved by EPA and under Good Laboratory Practices to ensure the quality and integrity of test data submitted to the Agency in support of a pesticide product registration under FIFRA Part 160—Good Laboratory Practice Standards. EPA then independently reviews those studies for their scientific veracity. In addition to registrant-submitted studies, EPA scientists also review pesticide studies from peer-reviewed scientific journals. By reviewing open literature studies and those supplied by the registrant, agency scientists ensure they are identifying hazards and characterizing risks using the most robust data available. In fact, the data on sulfoxaflor is among EPA's largest datasets on the effects of a pesticide on bees.

Cheers, R.

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From: Nick Lowrey <nick.lowrey@sdnewswatch.org>
Sent: Thursday, July 18, 2019 1:27 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Subject: Story for South Dakota media on Honey Bees and pesticides

Thank you for your help.

On Thu, Jul 18, 2019 at 12:17 PM Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Good afternoon (morning to you) Nick and thanks for reaching out,

I'll ask our pesticides program for answers to your questions.

Cheers, R.

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From: Nick Lowrey <nick.lowrey@sdnewswatch.org>
Sent: Thursday, July 18, 2019 1:09 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Story for South Dakota media on Honey Bees and pesticides

I'm working on a story about honey production and beekeeping in South Dakota for South Dakota News Watch, a non-profit reporting group focused on state-wide issues. My story is focused on the challenges beekeepers are facing right now.

One of the biggest problems the beekeepers I've spoken with have identified is pesticide exposure. I would like to speak with someone at EPA about the work the agency is doing on behalf of pollinators and what's being done to gain a better understanding of how pesticides, fungicides and herbicides are affecting honey bees and native pollinators?

Questions I would like answered are:

What is EPA doing to get a better understanding of how popular pesticides, herbicides and fungicides are affecting both domestic and wild pollinators?

Does the EPA need to further restrict the use of neonicotinoid pesticides in response to the problems they are causing bees and honey producers?

What are the challenges EPA faces when trying to enforce the application restrictions on pesticide and herbicide labels?

There is a growing body of research showing that commercial fungicides also are having a detrimental effect on bees. Does EPA need to take a look at fungicide use guidelines? Why or why not?

Several beekeepers I've spoken too have expressed their disappointment with EPA when it comes to the pesticide, herbicide and fungicide approval process and the agency's reliance on industry-backed research in making approval decisions. Are those criticisms fair? Why or why not?

What are the problems with relying on industry-backed research for making decisions about the approval of products such as sulfoxaflor?

My deadline for this story is Monday, July 22 at 1 p.m. central time.

Thank you,

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/29/2018 6:46:23 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
CC: AO OPA Media Relations [AO_OPA_Media_Relations@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Media inquiry: Safer Choice Summit

Sure thing.

Cheers, R.

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From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Thursday, March 29, 2018 2:42 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: AO OPA Media Relations <AO_OPA_Media_Relations@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Media inquiry: Safer Choice Summit

Robert,
Since the topic just came up...
I recall the summit being open press in past years. Do you mind doing the leg work in finding out from Linda the missing info below so we can add to the OMR calendar? Or I can. I know they are weeks away from finalizing an agenda, so whenevs it's ready.

Who:

When: Mon., May 14

Event: Safer Choice Partner and Stakeholder Summit

Where: Gaylord National Resort in National Harbor, Md.

Times:

Staffing: **TBD (Robert or OCSPP)**

Resent-From: <Press@epa.gov>
From: "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Date: March 29, 2018 at 2:26:08 PM EDT

To: Kelly Franklin <kelly.franklin@chemicalwatch.com>, Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Media inquiry: Safer Choice Summit

Kelly, not for attribution, please:

We just had a glitch in updating the website that we've resolved. You can find the information you need here – the agenda is set in consultation w/our partners and should be available in 2-3 weeks:
https://www.epa.gov/saferchoice/safer-choice-partner-stakeholder-summit-2018

Cheers, R.

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From: Kelly Franklin [mailto:kelly.franklin@chemicalwatch.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 29, 2018 10:33 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Media inquiry: Safer Choice Summit

Good morning,

I saw news from the Household & Commercial Products Association that EPA has selected dates for its third Safer Choice Summit, but wasn't able to find a corresponding announcement on EPA's website: https://www.thehcpa.org/epa-announces-third-annual-safer-choice-partner-stakeholder-summit/

I was wondering if you could confirm that this is correct? I'd welcome any further details about the summit and its agenda and aims. I have no hard deadline.

Thanks,
Kelly

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Kelly Franklin

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Message

From: Titus, Rhea [RTitus@wusa9.com]
Sent: 9/20/2017 7:18:55 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: WUSA9 NEWS: SERGEANT'S FLEA CONTROL FOLLOW UP (URGENT)

When do you think you'll hear by?

Thanks

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, September 20, 2017 3:18 PM
To: Titus, Rhea <RTitus@wusa9.com>
Subject: RE: WUSA9 NEWS: SERGEANT'S FLEA CONTROL FOLLOW UP (URGENT)

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Good afternoon Rhea,

Still waiting for a response.

Thanks, R.

From: Titus, Rhea [mailto:RTitus@wusa9.com]
Sent: Wednesday, September 20, 2017 3:16 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: WUSA9 NEWS: SERGEANT'S FLEA CONTROL FOLLOW UP (URGENT)

Hi Robert, it's Rhea at WUSA9 News in DC. Just wanted to touch base to see if you had an update on my questions yesterday.

Thanks

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From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, September 19, 2017 11:59 AM
To: Titus, Rhea <RTitus@wusa9.com>
Subject: RE: WUSA9 NEWS: SERGEANT'S FLEA CONTROL FOLLOW UP (URGENT)

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Rhea, again for attribution to an agency spokesperson, please:

Suppliers of registered pet products routinely make decisions about what products they want to continue to distribute in the marketplace.

For instance, Sergeant's Pet Care Products, Inc. and Wellmark International voluntarily cancelled the registration for their pet products containing propoxur and those products have now been taken off the market. Propoxur is allowed in non-pet products. This decision was reached as a result of discussions about how to reduce children's exposure to propoxur in pet collars. For more information: https://www.epa.gov/pets/meetings-registrants-pet-spot-products

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From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Tuesday, September 19, 2017 8:41 AM
To: 'Titus, Rhea' <RTitus@wusa9.com>
Subject: RE: WUSA9 NEWS: SERGEANT'S FLEA CONTROL FOLLOW UP (URGENT)

Morning Rhea,

Still waiting for word from the program.

From: Titus, Rhea [mailto:RTitus@wusa9.com]
Sent: Monday, September 18, 2017 7:39 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: WUSA9 NEWS: SERGEANT'S FLEA CONTROL FOLLOW UP (URGENT)

Hey Robert, do you have an ETA on when I can expect to hear back from you about this?

Thanks

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From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
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To: Titus, Rhea <RTitus@wusa9.com>
Subject: RE: WUSA9 NEWS: SERGEANT'S FLEA CONTROL FOLLOW UP (URGENT)

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Hi Rhea,

Bear with me for a bit. We'll get back to you.

From: Titus, Rhea [mailto:RTitus@wusa9.com]
Sent: Monday, September 18, 2017 3:20 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: WUSA9 NEWS: SERGEANT'S FLEA CONTROL FOLLOW UP (URGENT)
Importance: High

> Hi Robert, thanks for getting back to me, your previous email to my co-worker Eliana, you stated, "Some active ingredients in flea and tick products have been taken off the market because of the number of adverse reactions in pets treated with them. "
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> So are you saying now that NO active ingredients used in flea and tick products have been taken off the market?
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> Thanks

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From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Friday, September 15, 2017 5:29 PM
To: Titus, Rhea <RTitus@wusa9.com>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: WUSA9 NEWS: SERGEANT'S FLEA CONTROL FOLLOW UP (URGENT)

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Thanks guys. That response has now gone to the reporter.

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On Sep 15, 2017, at 4:32 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

> Rhea, here's the info on active ingredients, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

"No active ingredient used in flea and tick products has been taken off the market because of adverse effects in pets treated with it. As we previously stated, registrants were required to change their product labels to clarify several statements related to use on cats and dogs based on incident data reviewed by the agency.

In 2015, EPA and Sergeant's Pet Care Products, Inc. and Wellmark International have agreed to stop producing pet collars containing the pesticide propoxur. This decision was reached as a result of discussions about how to reduce children's exposure to propoxur in pet collars. For more information: https://www.epa.gov/pets/meetings-registrants-pet-spot-products "

Regards, R.

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From: Titus, Rhea [mailto:RTitus@wusa9.com]
Sent: Thursday, September 14, 2017 6:22 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: WUSA9 NEWS: SERGEANT'S FLEA CONTROL FOLLOW UP (URGENT)
Importance: High

Hi Robert my name is Rhea, I work at WUSA9 News in DC. My co-worker Eliana Block sent me the statement you sent her last week regarding Segeant's Flea Control. In your response to her, you responded saying this:

1) **Have there been any investigations into Sergeant's flea products?**
   Yes, EPA has done a thorough review of incident data related to pet spot-on products**, and** EPA continues to monitor incident data not only for Sergeant's products but for all manufacturers to ensure the continued safety of the pet spot-on products. EPA wants to ensure that these products continue to provide effective flea and tick control while minimizing any adverse effects on pets. Some active ingredients in flea and tick products have been taken off the market because of the number of adverse reactions in pets treated with them.

   We recognize that some pets may be more sensitive than others to these products. Following a period of unusually high numbers of incident reports involving pet spot-on products, EPA took action in 2010 and has seen a significant decrease in the number of pet incidents since then. Registrants were required to change their product labels to clarify several statements related to use on cats and dogs. The statements, which apply to dogs as well as cats, include:

- Expanding the number of weight ranges and providing appropriate pictures of the weight ranges;
- Repeating the word "dog" or "cat," as appropriate, throughout the instructions on the packaging,
- Having species, age, and weight ranges clearly labeled on all packaging; and
- Including specific cat warnings on all dog products.

Can you please tell me the list of what specific active ingredients in flea and tick products have been taken off the market because of the number of adverse reactions in pets treated with them.

Also do you have a report of what number of pets have had adverse reactions to the products with active ingredients?

Thanks, we are working on a deadline and need those two answers ASAP, thanks!

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Message

From: Lynn, Tricia [lynn.tricia@epa.gov]
Sent: 1/26/2018 3:36:16 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Deegan, Dave [Deegan.Dave@epa.gov]
CC: AO OPA Media Relations [AO_OPA_Media_Relations@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: REGION 1: Boston Globe query re: use of dry ice to kill rats

It hasn't been cleared yet, but here it is. I'll resend if there are any edits.

Suggested Response:

So can anyone there say where the City of Boston's application to use their own dry ice stands? And why is it taking so long?

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Have other cities / states gotten approval to use dry ice (other than the Bell Laboratories product) for rodent control and if so why have they gotten approval but not Boston?

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

If Bell Laboratories product is still the only one approved, why is that and does the EPA have any concerns about one company basically having a monopoly?

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Have any dry ice for rodent control applications been denied by the EPA?

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Friday, January 26, 2018 10:20 AM
To: Deegan, Dave <Deegan.Dave@epa.gov>
Cc: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>; AO OPA Media Relations <AO_OPA_Media_Relations@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: REGION 1: Boston Globe query re: use of dry ice to kill rats

Think that tricia lynn just sent it .. tricia . .can you send to region 1 thanks ng

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From: Deegan, Dave
Sent: Friday, January 26, 2018 10:18 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Bender, Emily <Bender.Emily@epa.gov>; Gutro, Doug <Gutro.Doug@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Cc: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: REGION 1: Boston Globe query re: use of dry ice to kill rats

Hi Robert,

Just wanted to check if there was a response to this inquiry, and if you all could share it with us.

Thanks!
Dave

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From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2018 8:08 AM
To: Bender, Emily <Bender.Emily@epa.gov>; Gutro, Doug <Gutro.Doug@epa.gov>; Deegan, Dave <Deegan.Dave@epa.gov>
Cc: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: REGION 1: Boston Globe query re: use of dry ice to kill rats

Good morning colleagues,

For awareness. I'll ask if there's any update to our latest statement.

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2018 8:00 AM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Boston Globe query re: use of dry ice to kill rats

On it.

From: Rocheleau, Matthew [mailto:matthew.rocheleau@globe.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2018 7:11 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>

Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Boston Globe query re: use of dry ice to kill rats

Hi Robert,

Hope all is well.

Wondering if the EPA can provide any update on the status of what's been approved by the EPA in terms of using dry ice for rat/rodent control.

The City of Boston tells me they've sought both EPA and state approval (I'm checking with state officials about this too) to use their own dry ice product, but have grown frustrated with how long the process has taken and aren't sure what's holding it up, particularly since they've heard other cities/states appear to have gotten approval to use dry ice for rat/rodent control. Also they say they believe the Bell Laboratories product that was approved is nothing more than regular dry ice and they don't want to use that product because of concerns that if Bell is the only one with an approved product they can mark up the price.

-So can anyone there say where the City of Boston's application to use their own dry ice stands? And why is it taking so long?
-Have other cities / states gotten approval to use dry ice (other than the Bell Laboratories product) for rodent control and if so why have they gotten approval but not Boston?
-If Bell Laboratories product is still the only one approved, why is that and does the EPA have any concerns about one company basically having a monopoly?
-Have any dry ice for rodent control applications been denied by the EPA?

Let me know what you think when you have a chance. Any info by end of the day Friday would be great, but let me know if you think it will take longer than that and I can probably get more time.

Thanks!

Best,
-Matt

On Wed, Jul 19, 2017 at 1:07 PM, Matthew Rocheleau <matthew.rocheleau@globe.com> wrote:

> Great thank you so much!
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> On Wed, Jul 19, 2017 at 10:43 AM Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:
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> > Matt, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:
> >
> > The Bell Laboratories' dry ice product called "Rat Ice," is currently the only EPA-registered dry-ice product for use to control rats. After EPA registers a pesticide product, it must also satisfy the state's registration requirements to market it in that state. Once a state has approved registration of the product within the state, consumers or municipalities must purchase the registered product and use the registered product according to the product label.

Rat Ice is a formulated pesticide product. Under the pesticide law, the formulation details are confidential business information and protected from disclosure, but, at the very least, the registered product would have detailed use instructions and precautions.

Cities may only use the registered product.

EPA has had informal discussions with representatives of the city of Boston about the possibility of Boston registering its own dry ice product for rodent control. However, thus far EPA has not received any application from the city of Boston or the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

The registrant of Rat Ice has submitted their application for state registration to Massachusetts. It has not been approved yet.

Background: FIFRA requires that before a product can be marketed for the control of a pest, it must be registered by EPA. EPA registers pesticides based on scientific data and other information sufficient for the agency to conclude that it can perform its intended function without posing unreasonable risks to people or the environment. Each registered pesticide product must have EPA-approved labeling, which includes detailed instructions and precautions. Use of a pesticide product in a manner contrary to the approved labeling is against the law.

Thanks, R.

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-----Original Message-----
From: Rocheleau, Matthew [mailto:matthew.rocheleau@globe.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 18, 2017 11:22 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Boston Globe query re: use of dry ice to kill rats

Great Thank you!

On Tue, Jul 18, 2017 at 11:07 AM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:
> OK. thanks. I'll keep you posted.
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>> On Jul 18, 2017, at 10:51 AM, Rocheleau, Matthew <matthew.rocheleau@globe.com> wrote:
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>> Hoping to get into by the end of the day today, if possible 5pm.
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>> But if that's no do-able the deadline can be extended. Just let me
>> know
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>> Thanks!
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>> Best,
>> -Matt
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>> On Tue, Jul 18, 2017 at 10:20 AM, Daguillard, Robert
>> <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:
>>> Good morning Matthew - and thanks to Dave for forwarding.
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>>> What's your firm deadline and when are you hoping to publish, please?
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>>> Thanks, R.
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>>> Sent: Tuesday, July 18, 2017 10:10 AM
>>> To: Deegan, Dave <Deegan.Dave@epa.gov>
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>>> Emily <Bender.Emily@epa.gov>
>>> Subject: Re: Boston Globe query re: use of dry ice to kill rats
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>>> Great. thank you!
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>>>> On Tue, Jul 18, 2017 at 10:09 AM, Deegan, Dave <Deegan.Dave@epa.gov> wrote:
>>>> Hi Matt,
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>>>> I'm forwarding your inquiry to my colleagues in EPA HQ who work closely with EPA's Office of Pesticide Programs. They are the best place to answer your questions.
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>>>> Thanks!
>>>> Dave
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>>>> -----Original Message-----

>>>> From: Rocheleau, Matthew [mailto:matthew.rocheleau@globe.com]
>>>> Sent: Tuesday, July 18, 2017 9:25 AM
>>>> To: Bender, Emily <Bender.Emily@epa.gov>
>>>> Cc: Gutro, Doug <Gutro.Doug@epa.gov>; Deegan, Dave
>>>> <Deegan.Dave@epa.gov>; Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>
>>>> Subject: Boston Globe query re: use of dry ice to kill rats
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>>>> Hi everyone,
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>>>> Hope all is well.
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>>>> This topic is back on my radar as I saw this NYT piece the other
>>>> day that mentions the EPA recently approved use of dry ice to kill
>>>> rats --
>>>> https://mobile.nytimes.com/2017/07/12/nyregion/new-york-city-rat-pr
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>>>> em.html?referer=
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>>>> --I take the Times story to mean that cities are now free to use dry ice to kill rats as long as they use this EPA-approved "Rat Ice"
>>>> product from Bell Laboratories. Is that right? (Or are there other steps cities must take with the EPA before they can use it?) --Is there anything special about "Rat Ice" that makes it different from standard/other types of dry ice?
>>>> --Are cities now also allowed to use dry ice from other companies/suppliers besides Bell Laboratories? Or would that require any additional steps/approval process?
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>>>> City officials in Boston told me they plan to apply in the next few days to be able to use dry ice to kill rats and they expect to try to apply to be able to use dry ice from any company, not just the "Rat Ice" product from Bell Laboratories.
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>>>> If anyone is available to speak about this more, please let me know.
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>>>> Thanks!
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>>>> Best,
>>>> -Matt
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>>>>> On Tue, Jan 3, 2017 at 12:14 PM, Bender, Emily <Bender.Emily@epa.gov> wrote:
>>>>> Hi Matt,
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>>>>> As a follow to your story on the use of dry ice for rodent control
>>>>> in the City of Boston, please accept the following statement of clarification.
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>>>>> "EPA has not ordered the City of Boston to stop using dry ice to
>>>>> control rodents. We have informed the city that registration of

>>>>> dry ice is appropriate if the intent is to kill rodents. We are
>>>>> working with the city to ensure that further use of dry ice is not only properly registered but
>>>>> safe and effective." Jim Jones, Assistant Administrator, EPA's Office of
>>>>> Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention.
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>>>>> Thanks so much
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>>>>> Emily
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Message

From: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Sent: 1/11/2018 10:43:14 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
CC: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: For Review: Bloomberg Environment (Sylvia Carignan) re: PFAS at Superfund sites (Deadline: 1/9)

Oh good, thanks!

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 11, 2018, at 5:32 PM, Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov> wrote:

> Need to coordinate with pads – can we send tomorrow?
>
> Thanks ng
>
> **Nancy Grantham**
> **Office of Public Affairs**
> **US Environmental Protection Agency**
> **202-564-6879 (desk)**
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> **From:** Drinkard, Andrea
> **Sent:** Thursday, January 11, 2018 5:31 PM
> **To:** Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** Re: For Review: Bloomberg Environment (Sylvia Carignan) re: PFAS at Superfund sites (Deadline: 1/9)
>
> I'm good then.
>
> Sent from my iPhone
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> On Jan 11, 2018, at 5:28 PM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:
>
>> Does DoD know?
>>
>> Yes, gave them a heads up.
>>
>> On Jan 11, 2018, at 5:28 PM, Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov> wrote:
>>
>> Two questions:
>>
>> Do the PADs know? And does DoD know?
>>
>> Sent from my iPhone
>>
>> On Jan 11, 2018, at 4:50 PM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

From OLEM. Let me know when I can send response to the reporter, Nancy.

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Drinkard, Andrea
Sent: Wednesday, January 10, 2018 2:09 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: For Review: Bloomberg Environment (Sylvia Carignan) re: PFAS at Superfund sites (Deadline: 1/9)

One correct: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Wednesday, January 10, 2018 2:07 PM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Cc: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: For Review: Bloomberg Environment (Sylvia Carignan) re: PFAS at Superfund sites (Deadline: 1/9)

Enesta,

Andrea looked at this and wonders if Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)? Can you check with olem?

Also, is there a process for doing that and/or some sort of Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)?

Also, Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Thanks ng

Nancy Grantham
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From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Wednesday, January 10, 2018 1:59 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: For Review: Bloomberg Environment (Sylvia Carignan) re: PFAS at Superfund sites (Deadline: 1/9)

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From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Wednesday, January 10, 2018 11:47 AM
To: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: For Review: Bloomberg Environment (Sylvia Carignan) re: PFAS at Superfund sites (Deadline: 1/9)

Need to connect with you on this thanks ng

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From: Block, Molly
Sent: Wednesday, January 10, 2018 8:15 AM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: For Review: Bloomberg Environment (Sylvia Carignan) re: PFAS at Superfund sites (Deadline: 1/9)

Pared it down a bit and no need for attribution because this is all background info.

On background:

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Tuesday, January 9, 2018 5:27 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: For Review: Bloomberg Environment (Sylvia Carignan) re: PFAS at Superfund sites (Deadline: 1/9)

Background: Bloomberg Environment reporter is asking for the names and number of Superfund sites on the National Priorities List that are contaminated with the chemical, Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) Response input from OLEM. Sylvia Carignan, scarignan@bloombergenvironment.com

Suggested Response: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: "Carignan, Sylvia" <scarignan@bloombergenvironment.com>
Date: January 3, 2018 at 1:16:54 PM EST
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: PFAS at Superfund sites

Hi all,

Happy new year! Hope you all got some time off. I'd like to follow up on something I heard about before the holidays:

It's my understanding that EPA has identified 32 federal and 15 non-federal NPL sites contaminated by PFAS. Could you provide the names of those sites?

And if there's an estimate of how many other NPL sites could be affected by PFAS, let me know about that as well. Dr. Tom Sinks had mentioned in a November presentation that there were likely "hundreds," but I'd like to know if EPA has a narrower estimate.

My deadline for this is Friday at 3 p.m.; let me know if that won't be enough time.

Best,
Sylvia

Sylvia Carignan
Reporter, Superfund and Waste

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Message

From: Fuld, John [Fuld.John@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/28/2018 1:19:09 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
CC: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: FINAL RESPONSE: PFAS/drinking water questions

thanks

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Wednesday, March 28, 2018 9:18 AM
To: Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>; Fuld, John <Fuld.John@epa.gov>
Cc: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: FINAL RESPONSE: PFAS/drinking water questions

For attribution to an EPA spokesperson: EPA is focused on protecting public health, and we will continue to work to use the most appropriate tools available to us under the law to achieve that goal.

Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/22/2018 1:00:41 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
CC: AO OPA Media Relations [AO_OPA_Media_Relations@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: media query on lead dust hazard standard deadline

Thanks, Nancy. Do I need to include him on lead-related correspondence going forward?

Cheers, R.

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From: Grantham, Nancy
Sent: Tuesday, March 20, 2018 6:54 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: media query on lead dust hazard standard deadline

FYI - Tim epp - EPA lead coordinator is looped on this as well thx ng

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 20, 2018, at 6:33 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

> OGC and the program say Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
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> Robert Daguillard
> U.S. EPA
> Office of Media Relations
> Washington D.C.
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> Begin forwarded message:
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> > **From:** Suzanne Yohannan <suzanne.yohannan@iwpnews.com>
> > **Date:** March 20, 2018 at 2:54:13 PM EDT
> > **To:** "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
> > **Subject: Re: media query on lead dust hazard standard deadline**
> >
> > Robert,
> > I'm obligated to ask again, given DOJ filed the attached document on Friday (3/16) asking the court about the lead dust hazard standard timeline, what date has EPA been relying on for meeting the court requirement that it revise its lead hazard standard and definition of lead-based paint under TSCA? By what date

does EPA plan to have those completed?

Thanks.
Suzanne Yohannan
Inside EPA
703-562-8759
suzanney@iwpnews.com

On 3/14/2018 11:02 AM, Daguillard, Robert wrote:

> Suzanne, same attribution as earlier, please:
>
> We have nothing to add to our response.
>
> Cheers, R.
>
> **Robert Daguillard**
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> **From:** Suzanne Yohannan [mailto:suzanney@iwpnews.com]
> **Sent:** Wednesday, March 14, 2018 9:18 AM
> **To:** Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** Re: media query on lead dust hazard standard deadline
>
> Ok, so I'm correct in assuming the 90-day deadline began to run when court issued its order? (In other words, the deadline is March 27.)
>
> Suzanne Yohannan
> Inside EPA
> Superfund Report
> 703-562-8759
> suzanney@iwpnews.com
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> **From:** "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
> **To:** Suzanne Yohannan <suzanne.yohannan@iwpnews.com>, Press <Press@epa.gov>
> **Sent:** 3/14/2018 8:18 AM
> **Subject:** RE: media query on lead dust hazard standard deadline
>
> > Suzanne, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:
> >
> > EPA will comply with the court's order.
> >
> > Cheers, R.

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-----Original Message-----
From: Suzanne Yohannan
[mailto:suzanne.yohannan@iwpnews.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 13, 2018 1:02 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: media query on lead dust hazard standard deadline

Dear Press Officer,

I'm a reporter for Inside EPA. I have a question regarding a lead dust hazard standard and lead-based paint definition. In the court case A Community Voice v. EPA, the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals ruled on Dec.
28 that EPA is required to update the two forementioned lead standards under TSCA, and gave EPA a 90-day deadline to do so.

Could you tell me if EPA assumes this 90-day deadline has started? If so, when is the deadline, exactly, and does EPA expect to meet it?

I'm working under a deadline of Thursday (March 15).

Thanks.

Suzanne Yohannan

Inside EPA

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<DOJ Lead dust letter.pdf>

Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 10/19/2017 8:09:42 PM
To: AO OPA Media Relations [AO_OPA_Media_Relations@epa.gov]
Subject: OMR: Robert Compressed Friday 10/20: Open Inquiries, 10/20/17
Attachments: FW: Sierra Club lawsuit; FOR REVIEW: FREELANCER (J. Zuckerman) Pasion River Fish Kill Investigation - DDL 10/13; FOR REVIEW: New York Times (Roni Rabin) - Pesticides Program meetings w/stakeholders - DDL 10/19; FW: Reuters follow-up on dicamba assistance; Fwd: AP story on TSCA; FW: Question re Risk Evaulation for Cyclic Aliphatic Bromide Cluster (HBCD Cluster) website information

Colleagues, here are those of my inquiries that might require action from you on Friday, 10/20. Inquiry and reporter contact info attached, as usual. Thank you in advance, R.

Air

Argus (Elliott Blackburn) [Received 10/19] – OPEN – Seeking comment on litigation re: RFS environmental impact – question in program – DDL ASAP

Pesticides

Freelance Reporter (Jocelyn Zuckerman) [Received August 2017] – OPEN – Requesting comment on studies of fish mortality and malathion presence in Pasion River, Guatemala – response awaiting OPS approval – DDL Soonest

The New York Times (Roni Rabin) [Received 10/17] - OPEN – Seeking response on reports of agency meetings with industry lobbyists requesting regulatory changes – response awaiting OPS approval – DDL 10/19

Reuters (Tom Polansek) [Received 10/19] – OPEN – Follow-up questions on EPA discussions with states re: dicamba incident investigations – question in program – DDL 10/20

Toxic Chemicals

Associated Press (Matt Brown) [Received 10/16] - OPEN - Asbestos inhalation impact on firefighters; asbestos evaluation under TSCA reform - program working on written response- DDL 10/20

The New York Times (Eric Lipton) [Received 10/18] - OPEN – Risk Evaluation for Cyclic Aliphatic Bromide Cluster (HBCD Cluster) – question in program – awaiting reporter's deadline info

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Message

From: Niina Heikkinen [nheikkinen@eenews.net]
Sent: 1/11/2018 6:20:14 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: extending comment deadline for CPP repeal?

Perfect. Thanks!

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, January 11, 2018 12:50 PM
To: Niina Heikkinen
Cc: Press
Subject: RE: extending comment deadline for CPP repeal?

Hi Niina, please see the attached court filing, which was filed yesterday.

From: Niina Heikkinen [mailto:nheikkinen@eenews.net]
Sent: Thursday, January 11, 2018 12:28 PM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: extending comment deadline for CPP repeal?

Hi Enesta,

I'm double checking this statement from yesterday is still true. We'll be running a story on public comments tomorrow morning.

Best,
Niina

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, January 10, 2018 11:56 AM
To: Niina Heikkinen
Cc: Press
Subject: Re: extending comment deadline for CPP repeal?

Niina, for attribution to an EPA spokesperson:

We have no new information at this time.

On Jan 10, 2018, at 11:11 AM, Niina Heikkinen <nheikkinen@eenews.net> wrote:

Hello folks,

The deadline for commenting on a Clean Power Plan repeal is fast approaching. Do you plan on extending that deadline given that EPA has not yet held additional hearings on a potential repeal of the rule?

Thanks very much.

Best,

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Message

From: DeLuca, Isabel [DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov]
Sent: 6/19/2019 12:13:14 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: ACE ACTION: checking a couple of facts regarding emissions from the US power sector, and US overall

On second thought, probably shouldn't send until the link is live ☺. I'll let you know as soon as it is – still waiting for Corry or Jess to tell me when we should post. Might not be until 10:30 or 11:30 (when embargo is officially ended).

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 8:07 AM
To: DeLuca, Isabel <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov>
Subject: ACE ACTION: checking a couple of facts regarding emissions from the US power sector, and US overall

Morning! It's approved to go. What time do you want me to send the response?

On Jun 18, 2019, at 5:25 PM, DeLuca, Isabel <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov> wrote:

https://www.epa.gov/stationary-sources-air-pollution/affordable-clean-energy-rule

I think 8:30 makes sense for sending. But we noticed on the invitation to the media briefing, it says there is an embargo on all information until 11:30 – which seems really late. We're trying to figure out when the PR will go out and time posting materials to the web to that. I'll let you know what I hear.

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 5:16 PM
To: DeLuca, Isabel <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov>
Cc: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: ACE ACTION: checking a couple of facts regarding emissions from the US power sector, and US overall

For more information see:
https://www.epa.gov/stationary-sources-air-pollution/proposal-affordable-clean-energy-ace-rule

So 8:30? Tnx Isabel! See what? What's the url?

On Jun 18, 2019, at 5:09 PM, DeLuca, Isabel <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov> wrote:

Clint has signed off on the following response to both questions, for release TOMORROW as soon as ACE is announced:

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 3:23 PM
To: DeLuca, Isabel <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: ACE ACTION: checking a couple of facts regarding emissions from the US power sector, and US overall

Bill sign off?

On Jun 18, 2019, at 3:09 PM, DeLuca, Isabel <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov> wrote:

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) I think. For the second question, here's what we propose:

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 12:53 PM
To: DeLuca, Isabel <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov>
Cc: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: ACE ACTION: checking a couple of facts regarding emissions from the US power sector, and US overall

From: "Abboud, Michael" <abboud.michael@epa.gov>
Date: June 18, 2019 at 12:51:26 PM EDT
To: "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>, Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: checking a couple of facts regarding emissions from the US power sector, and US overall

Can you ask them whether Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) ?

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 10:50 AM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: checking a couple of facts regarding emissions from the US power sector, and US overall

I can take the second to OAR.

Begin forwarded message:

Resent-From: <Press@epa.gov>
From: "Eilperin, Juliet" <Juliet.Eilperin@washpost.com>
Date: June 18, 2019 at 10:48:24 AM EDT
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>, "Schiermeyer, Corry" <schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov>, "Abboud, Michael" <abboud.michael@epa.gov>, "Konkus, John" <konkus.john@epa.gov>
Subject: checking a couple of facts regarding emissions from the US power sector, and US overall

Dear All,
I wanted to fact check two different things, in the context of tomorrow's announcement. First, Administrator Wheeler told me and Brady last Monday, "When we finalize ACE in the next couple of weeks it's going to reduce CO2 emissions from the electric power sector 34 percent from 2005 levels."

The question is, what year will this 34 percent reduction be achieved? Looking at EPA's own analysis, it looks like the proposed rule would get a 33% reduction in 2035 using the EPA's latest inventory [epa.gov] for power sector CO2 emissions of 2400 million metric tons (2645 short tons). But perhaps you are using a different method to get to 34 percent, and I don't know what year the Administrator was referring to (I assume he was talking about full implementation, as opposed to 2030).

Second, can you provide me with the statistics of how much US greenhouse gas emissions increased in 2018, compared to 2017? I've seen independent analyses of between 1.5 and 2.5 percent economy wide, with CO2 emissions from fossil fuel combustion increasing 2.7 percent in 2018. But I wanted to see if the EPA has a different figure.
Thanks,
Juliet

Juliet Eilperin
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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/18/2019 6:11:19 PM
To: Rizzuto, Denise Pat [prizzuto@bloombergenvironment.com]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Subject: Date David Fischer starts/started as DAA in OSCPP: HOPING TO HEAR SOON

Hey Pat,

For attribution to the agency, please, David Fischer began work at EPA on July 9.

Cheers, R.

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From: Rizzuto, Denise Pat <prizzuto@bloombergenvironment.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 17, 2019 9:40 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Subject: Date David Fischer starts/started as DAA in OSCPP: HOPING TO HEAR SOON

Thank you. My boss said adding Fischer's starting date is something we could do today.
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Pat Rizzuto
Chemicals Reporter

Bloomberg Environment

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prizzuto@bloombergenvironment.com

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 17, 2019 9:31 AM
To: Rizzuto, Denise Pat <prizzuto@bloombergenvironment.com>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Subject: Date David Fischer starts/started as DAA in OSCPP: HOPING TO HEAR SOON

Morning Pat,

Let me look into this for you. I assume you'll be able to update your story once we send you something?

Cheers, R.

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From: Rizzuto, Denise Pat <prizzuto@bloombergenvironment.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2019 8:18 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Date David Fischer starts/started as DAA in OSCPP: HOPING TO HEAR SOON

I've obtained a copy of the July 9 announcement welcoming him to his post. Would the EPA like to say anything about what his experience brings to the job? Also what date did he begin as deputy assistant administrator or what date will he begin to serve.

Pardon the lateness of this request, but we're going to press as soon as possible, so would appreciate a response.

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/18/2019 5:28:57 PM
To: McCoy, Terrence [Terrence.McCoy@washpost.com]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Subject: From the Washington Post: help with a story

Terry, for attribution to U.S. EPA, please:

Response: EPA does not maintain a list of banned and severely restricted pesticides. Pesticides generally are banned and restricted as part of international agreements.

As a party to the Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent (PIC) Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade, which allows export of listed chemicals only if the country to which the chemicals are being imported has consented to the future import of the specific chemical, the United States has banned or restricted the pesticides and other chemicals listed at http://www.pic.int/TheConvention/Chemicals/AnnexIIIChemicals/tabid/1132/language/en-US/Default.aspx.

The United States is also a party to The Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. See https://www.epa.gov/ozone-layer-protection/ozone-depleting-substances for a list of those restricted chemicals.

While the U.S. has not signed The Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants, EPA is active in international efforts to reduce POPs. See https://www.epa.gov/international-cooperation/persistent-organic-pollutants-global-issue-global-response#stockholm. For a complete list of persistent organic pollutants banned or restricted by the Stockholm Convention, go to http://www.pops.int/TheConvention/ThePOPs/AllPOPs/tabid/2509/Default.aspx

Cheers, R.

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From: McCoy, Terrence <Terrence.McCoy@washpost.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 17, 2019 3:11 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Subject: From the Washington Post: help with a story

Is this list correct?

http://scorecard.goodguide.com/chemical-groups/one-list.tcl?short_list_name=brpest

From: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, July 17, 2019 3:00:11 PM
To: McCoy, Terrence
Cc: Press
Subject: Subject: From the Washington Post: help with a story

CAUTION: EXTERNAL SENDER

Good afternoon,

Thanks for reaching out. Can you give me your deadline and tell me more about the focus of your story? Also, by "heavily regulated," do you mean a specific type of restrictions? Let me know if you'd like to discuss later today, or tomorrow.

Cheers, R.

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From: McCoy, Terrence <Terrence.McCoy@washpost.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 17, 2019 2:54 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: From the Washington Post: help with a story

Hi there,

My name is Terry McCoy, and I'm a reporter with The Washington Post. I was wondering if you could please send me the list of pesticides that have been banned or heavily regulated by the EPA? I'm having trouble finding the official link. Thanks very much, and I'm looking forward to hearing from you.

Terry

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Terrence McCoy
Washington Post
Reporter
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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/18/2019 5:26:23 PM
To: Bruce Douglas [bdouglas24@bloomberg.net]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Re:Subject: Bloomberg request - pesticide restrictions

Bruce, for attribution to U.S. EPA, please:

Response: All pesticide products registered by EPA for use in the United States contain an EPA-approved label. These labels provide critical information about how to safely and legally handle and use pesticide products. Unlike most other types of product labels, pesticide labels are legally enforceable. In other words, the label is the law.

Find a list of pesticide products with their approved label by searching with the NPRO lookup tool: http://npic.orst.edu/NPRO/#

Cheers, R.

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From: Bruce Douglas (BLOOMBERG/ NEWSROOM:) <bdouglas24@bloomberg.net>
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2019 2:50 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Re:Subject: Bloomberg request - pesticide restrictions

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From: Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov At: 07/16/19 15:41:20
To: Bruce Douglas (BLOOMBERG/ NEWSROOM:)
Cc: Press@epa.gov
Subject: RE: Re:Subject: Bloomberg request - pesticide restrictions

Would end of the week work, also, if it comes to that?

Cheers, R.

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To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re:Subject: Bloomberg request - pesticide restrictions

Many thanks. I don't need an answer urgently - sometime before the end of the day tomorrow would be great

From: Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov At: 07/16/19 15:39:23

To: Bruce Douglas (BLOOMBERG/ NEWSROOM:)
Cc: Press@epa.gov
Subject: Subject: Bloomberg request - pesticide restrictions

Good afternoon Bruce,

Let me check. Are you on deadline?

Cheers, R.

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From: Bruce Douglas (BLOOMBERG/ NEWSROOM:) <bdouglas24@bloomberg.net>
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2019 2:27 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Bloomberg request - pesticide restrictions

Hello,

I am a journalist for Bloomberg News based in Brazil. I am currently researching a piece about the use of pesticides in the country and I wanted to make a comparison with the regulations in place in the U.S.

Would you be able to tell me whether there are any restrictions in place on the use of Fipronil or neonicotinoides in U.S agriculture at present?

Many thanks,

Bruce

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Message

From: Cameron English [cameronenglish@protonmail.com]
Sent: 7/17/2019 9:24:41 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Subject: Story about Sulfoxaflor registration

Robert, thank you very much. These are quite helpful.

Cameron J. English
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------- Original Message -------
On Wednesday, July 17, 2019 2:22 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Hey Cameron,

For attribution to "an EPA Spokesperson," please:

Q1. What data led the EPA to issue this registration?

R1: We based our decision for sulfoxaflor on a very robust set of pollinator exposure and effects data. In addition to a full Tier I suite of studies (*i.e.*, laboratory studies of individual adult and larval bees), the Tier II data (*i.e.*, colony-level studies) consist of 11 semi-field (tunnel) studies and two colony feeding studies intended to document the effects of sulfoxaflor on both individual bees and the honey bee colony. There are also 16 field studies analyzing sulfoxaflor residues in pollen and nectar in multiple crops. The Tier II studies more accurately represent honey bee colony exposure and effects under actual use conditions. This existing suite of Tier II studies enables EPA to conduct a comprehensive and appropriately conservative assessment of the potential risks of sulfoxaflor to bees to support its registration decision.

Q2. Does sulfoxaflor pose a serious risk to pollinators, why or why not?

R2: In order for EPA to proceed with a registration decision under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), the agency must make a determination that the proposed use of the compound does not present an unreasonable risk to human health or the environment. Based on the best-available exposure and effects data from both registrant-submitted and open literature studies, the agency has determined that sulfoxaflor meets the FIFRA standard of no unreasonable risk to non-target organisms, including bees, when the compound is used as prescribed on the label. Therefore, based on the agency's assessment, sulfoxaflor does not pose a "serious" risk to pollinators. Sulfoxaflor also has a more favorable ecological risk profile than widely used alternatives on bee-attractive crops.

With respect to exposure, sulfoxaflor's persistence in the environment is relatively short, including in pollen and nectar. Based on available data, residues of the compound dissipate from treated plant surfaces within three hours and its concentration in the environment decreases by

half in about three days, which is shorter than widely used alternative insecticides. Some of the other chemicals targeting the same pests pose a much higher risk to bees and may have to be applied multiple times to get the same level of control as sulfoxaflor.

EPA uses the pesticide label as a tool to further reduce risk. The label includes a combination of advisory environmental hazard statements and mandatory directions for use for protecting bees from certain use patterns. Some crops have additional restrictions on the label to minimize the risk to bees, such as limiting the number of applications during the bloom period.

Q3: Why are there so few viable alternatives for sulfoxaflor on the market?

R3: There are multiple insecticides on the market that, like sulfoxaflor, target aphids and other piercing-sucking insects. Sulfoxaflor, however, has a new and unique mode of action and is effective against a number of these pests that neonicotinoids, organophosphates and pyrethroids fail to control due to development of resistance to the alternatives. In some cases, the pest is an invasive species that is no longer susceptible to these alternative chemistries. Also, in many situations, sulfoxaflor has a more favorable risk profile than the alternatives with respect to non-target organisms, particularly bees.

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On Jul 12, 2019, at 4:45 PM, Cameron English <cameronenglish@protonmail.com> wrote:

> Hi Robert,
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> Yes, my deadline is Monday, though I can probably hold the story until Tuesday if necessary.
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> We've seen the press release; it was very informative. But some additional insight from your team would be helpful, especially since we're going more in depth than other news outlets will.
>
> Best,
> Cameron
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> Cameron J. English
> 916-293-1221
> My website
> Twitter: @Camjenglish

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------- Original Message -------
On Friday, July 12, 2019 1:37 PM, Daguillard, Robert
<Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Good afternoon and thanks for reaching out. Are you on deadline?

Also, did you see our release on the topic?
https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/epa-registers-long-term-uses-sulfoxaflor-while-ensuring-strong-pollinator-protection

Cheers, R.

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From: Cameron English <cameronenglish@protonmail.com>
Sent: Friday, July 12, 2019 3:18 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Story about Sulfoxaflor registration

Hello,

My name is Cameron English. I'm with the Genetic Literacy Project. I'm hoping the agency can answer some questions about its decision to issue a long-term approval for the insecticide sulfoxaflor:

What data led the EPA to issue this registration?

Does sulfoxaflor pose a serious risk to pollinators, why or why not?

Why are there so few viable alternatives for sulfoxaflor on the market?

Thank you, and have a good weekend.

Cameron J. English

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/17/2019 9:23:40 PM
To: Rebecca Beitsch [rebecca@thehill.com]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Welp....here's my questions

Rebecca , for attribution to "an EPA Spokesperson," please:

Question 1. How is EPA going to monitor the impacts of this rule given that USDA suspended its bee population survey last week?

Response. EPA relies on multiple data sources to evaluate the impact of agency regulatory decisions. With respect to potential adverse effects on bees, EPA continues to draw information from:

1. Bee Informed Partnership's annual colony loss survey;
2. USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service's annual Pest and Disease survey;
3. Information on suspected bee kills reported directly to EPA;
4. National Pesticide Information Center'sincidents reported to EPA;
5. Working with stakeholder groups to ensure a reliable process for notifying EPA of incidents;
6. Direct calls from beekeepers to EPA staff;
7. Direct communication with EPA regional offices, states and tribal nations;
8. Reporting of adverse incidents required under Section 6 (a)(2) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act; and
9. Studies submitted by the regulated industry and/or those published in open literature.

Consistent with EPA's process, chemicals are also re-evaluated periodically to ensure that they continue to be supported by the best available science regarding potential exposure, adverse effects/toxicity, and risk to human health and the environment.

Question 2. I know a lot of people are going to bring up that timing, so do you have a plan for dealing with the optics of this decision so closely following that suspension?

Response. EPA's decision timing is predicated on the fact that the database for sulfoxaflor is now robust and supports decision-making which is in line with FIFRA and FFDCA. The Agency's rationale and its extensive supporting data on this action for sulfoxaflor can be accessed in the docket.

Question 3. Alex said neonicotinoids were one of the alternatives, but I thought sulfoxaflor was a neonicotinoid. (It's at least a neurotoxin)

Response: Sulfoxaflor is a sulfoximine. The Insecticide Resistance Action Committee is an international authority that places sulfoxaflor in the same broad group as neonicotinoids, but they are different in significant ways. Sulfoxaflor has a separate classification because of differences in how it interacts with the target receptor in insects. Because of these differences, sulfoxaflor has been shown to be effective against target pests that have become resistant to neonicotinoids as well as exhibiting lower toxicity to non-target wildlife, such as birds and aquatic life. Compared to neonicotinoid alternatives, sulfoxaflor is less persistent in the environment and less toxic to honey bee colonies.

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On Jul 15, 2019, at 4:12 PM, Rebecca Beitsch <rebecca@thehill.com> wrote:

Sure. My story came out Friday afternoon but I'm interested!

Thanks!

Rebecca Beitsch
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The Hill
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On Mon, Jul 15, 2019 at 4:10 PM Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Hey Rebecca,

Can you still use a response from us?

Cheers, R.

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From: Rebecca Beitsch <rebecca@thehill.com>
Sent: Friday, July 12, 2019 12:53 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Welp....here's my questions

Thanks Robert. I'm planning to get something on our site before taking a call at 2.

Feel free to send responses on a rolling basis--I need answers to the questions moreso than the clarification on neonics.

Appreciate the help!

Rebecca Beitsch

Energy and Environment Reporter

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On Fri, Jul 12, 2019 at 12:50 PM Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

> Thanks, Rebecca. Deadline?
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> **Robert Daguillard**
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> **Communications Officer (Detail)**
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Resent-From: <Press@epa.gov>
From: Rebecca Beitsch <rebecca@thehill.com>
Date: July 12, 2019 at 12:38:31 PM EDT
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Welp....here's my questions

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2. I know a lot of people are going to bring up that timing, so do you have a plan for dealing with the optics of this decision so closely following that suspension?

And a clarification:

-Alex said neonicotinoids were one of the alternatives, but I thought sulfoxaflor was a neonicotinoid. (It's at least a neurotoxin)

Thanks guys!

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Message

From: Abboud, Michael [abboud.michael@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/5/2019 2:10:46 PM
To: Labbe, Ken [Labbe.Ken@epa.gov]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: media request: looking for attribution for quotes in a FedTech article

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Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 5, 2019, at 10:06 AM, Labbe, Ken <Labbe.Ken@epa.gov> wrote:

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From: Elizabeth Neus <elizabeth.neus@manifest.com>
Sent: Friday, July 05, 2019 10:05 AM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Cc: Labbe, Ken <Labbe.Ken@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: media request: looking for attribution for quotes in a FedTech article

Good morning!

I am still wondering if this request -- to get an agency IT official's name to replace Michael Abboud's quotes -- can be fulfilled. If not, please let me know as soon as possible. We upload the magazine on Wednesday. Thanks.

betsy

On Thu, Jun 27, 2019 at 12:20 PM Elizabeth Neus <elizabeth.neus@manifest.com> wrote:

> Good afternoon! I was just wondering if you'd found someone to whom we can attribute the quotes in this FedTech story. If not, we can work with using Michael's name instead; just let me know.
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> betsy
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> On Thu, Jun 13, 2019 at 4:48 PM Elizabeth Neus <elizabeth.neus@manifest.com> wrote:
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> > Thank you so much!
> >
> > On Thu, Jun 13, 2019 at 4:45 PM Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:
> > Checking, Elizabeth.

On Jun 13, 2019, at 4:40 PM, Elizabeth Neus <elizabeth.neus@manifest.com> wrote:

Good afternoon.

I am Jacquelyn Bengfort's editor at FedTech magazine, and she's written an article for me on the EPA's use of storage area networks. She's quoted spokesperson Michael Abboud extensively, but my boss has asked if there's any way we could get an actual IT official on the record. If anyone's willing to just put their name on Michael's quotes, that's fine, especially since Michael provided exactly what we needed. Here's the segment of the article in which he's quoted:

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In 2013, the EPA moved its entire workforce — at the time, more than 18,000 employees and contractors — to the cloud for email and collaboration. The agency has continued to move additional functions and data to the cloud.

"The EPA is fully engaged in an agency-wide campaign to migrate end user data to OneDrive and shared file storage," says Michael Abboud, an EPA spokesperson. "The cloud platform minimizes storage cost and complexity while maximizing accessibility, availability, integrity, security, records management and discovery capabilities."

SANs still remain an important part of the IT mix at the EPA, however. While the agency is working to limit SAN growth, it still needs this sort of data storage for certain applications. Abboud shares one example: "EPA's National Computing Center in Research Triangle Park, N.C., recently extended its SAN infrastructure and software to ensure 'hot' data is on the fastest physical tier."

The EPA's Office of Research and Development (ORD) likewise continues to use SANs to meet information security requirements and support specialized workloads for scientific data at its 13 facilities.

These SANs need to support isolated and interconnected networks, says Abboud.

"Faced with the challenge of refreshing SAN storage for several of these locations, EPA's ORD disk subsystems managed using virtual SAN software," explains Abboud. "This solution provided an integrated, cost-efficient, high-performance SAN solution for distributed research laboratories.

"EPA's private and hybrid cloud platforms will continue to have significant storage area network investments," he adds.

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Please let us know as soon as possible if there's any IT official to whom we can attribute this material, and also let us know if there's anything in the content that might need to be changed.

thank you!
betsy
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Elizabeth Neus

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Message

From: Lynn, Tricia [lynn.tricia@epa.gov]
Sent: 2/8/2018 7:49:46 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: TRICIA: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

Meaning I sent it to the program yesterday.

From: Lynn, Tricia
Sent: Thursday, February 08, 2018 11:23 AM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: TRICIA: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

Yep. Sent it yesterday.

Thanks!

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Thursday, February 8, 2018 11:08:28 AM
To: Lynn, Tricia
Subject: TRICIA: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

OCFO defers to OLEM on question 1. Are you already checking with them?

From: Block, Molly
Sent: Wednesday, February 07, 2018 3:40 PM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Cc: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

Can we double check on question 1... Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
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I can answer the second question. Thanks!

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Wednesday, February 7, 2018 3:38 PM
To: Block, Molly <block.molly@epa.gov>
Cc: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

Hey Molly, will you handle directly, or do you need some OMR assistance here?

From: Lynne Peeples <Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)>
Date: February 7, 2018 at 2:44:28 PM EST
To: "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Cc: "Lynn, Tricia" <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

Hello again, Enesta and Tricia. A follow-up on this Superfund story: I understand that Scott Pruitt announced 31 Superfund sites he wants prioritized for redevelopment -- part of a push to accelerate cleanups and make land available for community use. Related questions below. Possible to get answers by EOD on Friday?

1. Correct that Pruitt has increased the budget for remediation of at least some of these 31 sites beyond what was previously allocated? Where will funds come from for these projects?
2. Correct that President Donald Trump's proposed 2018 budget still seeks to cut the program by 30 percent? If passed, will this cut impact Pruitt's plans?

Thanks again,

Lynne

On Fri, Feb 2, 2018 at 12:05 PM, Lynne Peeples <Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)> wrote:

Great. Thanks again, Enesta.

On Fri, Feb 2, 2018 at 12:02 PM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Lynne,

"EPA places a high priority on land revitalization as an integral part of its Superfund cleanup mission. This land would otherwise be unused. Instead, Superfund cleanups have allowed hundreds of communities to reclaim formerly contaminated Superfund sites for protective and productive uses. Communities have successfully reused Superfund sites for many industrial, commercial, ecological and recreational purposes. Many Superfund sites have been redeveloped in innovative ways, including alternative energy and mixed-use developments that bring together jobs and amenities. EPA has not noticed that any one type of reuse has proven problematic." **– Enesta Jones, EPA spokesperson**

From: Lynne Peeples [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
Sent: Friday, February 02, 2018 2:49 PM

To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Cc: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

Yes, that would be the chunk that I'd pull a quote from. Thank you. Possible to also attribute the point that Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)?

On Fri, Feb 2, 2018 at 11:27 AM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Lynne, here's what I suggest for attributable language. I can move these forward for approval. OK?

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From: Lynne Peeples [mailto Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Friday, February 02, 2018 2:13 PM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Cc: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

Thank you, Enesta. Yes, I do still need attribution. I'll be filing the story next week, but anytime before next Friday should still be fine. I'm not sure when Ensia will run the story, but probably within a week or two after that. I can let you know! Appreciate it, and have a great weekend.

Lynne

On Fri, Feb 2, 2018 at 3:12 AM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Lynne, Tricia is out today and tomorrow. Do you still need attribution? What's the latest you can wait? When is the story slated to run?

Thanks,
Enesta

From: Lynne Peeples [mailto Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2018 5:28 PM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

Hi Tricia. Just checking back in. Have a name I could attribute this to yet? Thank you!

Lynne

On Thu, Jan 25, 2018 at 2:47 PM, Lynne Peeples < Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) > wrote:

That'd be great. Thanks again, Tricia!

On Thu, Jan 25, 2018 at 2:47 PM, Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov> wrote:

Thanks for checking, Lynne. I'm not a spokesperson for EPA, so please don't use my name. I'll be back in the morning and do what I can to find you a name.

Thanks!

From: Lynne Peeples [mailto Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Thursday, January 25, 2018 5:33 PM

To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

Very helpful. Thank you, Tricia. My editor would like us to be able to attribute to a person. Ok to use your name, as an EPA spokesperson?

Lynne

On Thu, Jan 25, 2018 at 12:15 PM, Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov> wrote:

Lynne—

For attribution to "an EPA spokesperson:"

1. I understand that, to date (12/21/17), 395 sites have now been remediated and removed from the Superfund list. Is this correct? Any ballpark for how many more sites might be remediated and removed from the list going forward -- in say, one year or 10 years?

That is correct. As of Jan. 18, 395 sites have been deleted from the Superfund National Priorities List. We display the up-to-date number of NPL sites, including deleted sites, at https://www.epa.gov/superfund/superfund-national-priorities-list-npl.

The number of sites to be deleted in the coming years will be the number of sites where no further response is appropriate and EPA determines that criteria has been met to warrant a delisting decision.

2. Why is reuse of the sites important? What kind of follow-up, if any, does the EPA do after a site is removed from the Superfund list? Does the agency -- or others -- monitor the reuse?

EPA places a high priority on land revitalization as an integral part of its Superfund cleanup mission. This land would otherwise be unused. Instead, Superfund cleanups have allowed hundreds of communities to reclaim formerly contaminated Superfund sites for protective and productive uses.

This redevelopment brings major economic benefits. Information EPA has collected at 487 of the 888 sites in reuse indicate these sites supported approximately 6,600 businesses in 2017. These businesses' ongoing operations generate annual sales of $43.6 billion and employ more than 156,000 people who earned a combined income of $11.2 billion.

Regarding what EPA does after a site is deleted from the NPL, EPA conducts follow-up reviews — even after NPL deletion — every five years when hazardous substances remain on site above levels that permit unrestricted use and unlimited exposure.

3. Of the repurposing uses so far, could you share examples of what has worked the best? Any particularly innovative approaches that future projects could consider?

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Tricia

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Sent: Wednesday, January 17, 2018 8:20 PM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
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Thanks again. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

--Tricia

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Thanks so much, in advance, for your time and help.

Best,

Lynne

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Message

From: McMichael, Nate [McMichael.Nate@epa.gov]
Sent: 2/8/2018 4:06:32 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

This is the first I am seeing it, but I would defer to OLEM

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 8, 2018, at 11:03 AM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Is Tricia working with you on number 1?

From: "Block, Molly" <block.molly@epa.gov>
Date: February 7, 2018 at 3:39:58 PM EST
To: "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Cc: "Lynn, Tricia" <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

Can we double check on question 1... Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
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I can answer the second question. Thanks!

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Wednesday, February 7, 2018 3:38 PM
To: Block, Molly <block.molly@epa.gov>
Cc: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

Hey Molly, will you handle directly, or do you need some OMR assistance here?

From: Lynne Peeples < Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) >
Date: February 7, 2018 at 2:44:28 PM EST
To: "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Cc: "Lynn, Tricia" <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

Hello again, Enesta and Tricia. A follow-up on this Superfund story: I understand that Scott Pruitt announced 31 Superfund sites he wants prioritized for redevelopment -- part of a push to accelerate cleanups and make land available for community use. Related questions below. Possible to get answers by EOD on Friday?

1. Correct that Pruitt has increased the budget for remediation of at least some of these 31 sites beyond what was previously allocated? Where will funds come from for these projects?
2. Correct that President Donald Trump's proposed 2018 budget still seeks to cut the program by 30 percent? If passed, will this cut impact Pruitt's plans?

Thanks again,

Lynne

On Fri, Feb 2, 2018 at 12:05 PM, Lynne Peeples <Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)> wrote:

Great. Thanks again, Enesta.

On Fri, Feb 2, 2018 at 12:02 PM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Lynne,

"EPA places a high priority on land revitalization as an integral part of its Superfund cleanup mission. This land would otherwise be unused. Instead, Superfund cleanups have allowed hundreds of communities to reclaim formerly contaminated Superfund sites for protective and productive uses. Communities have successfully reused Superfund sites for many industrial, commercial, ecological and recreational purposes. Many Superfund sites have been redeveloped in innovative ways, including alternative energy and mixed-use developments that bring together jobs and amenities. EPA has not noticed that any one type of reuse has proven problematic." **– Enesta Jones, EPA spokesperson**

From: Lynne Peeples [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Friday, February 02, 2018 2:49 PM

To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Cc: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

Yes, that would be the chunk that I'd pull a quote from. Thank you. Possible to also attribute the point that EPA has not noticed any one type of reuse has proven problematic?

On Fri, Feb 2, 2018 at 11:27 AM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Lynne, here's what I suggest for attributable language. I can move these forward for approval. OK?

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Lynne Peeples [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
Sent: Friday, February 02, 2018 2:13 PM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Cc: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>

Subject: Re: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

Thank you, Enesta. Yes, I do still need attribution. I'll be filing the story next week, but anytime before next Friday should still be fine. I'm not sure when Ensia will run the story, but probably within a week or two after that. I can let you know! Appreciate it, and have a great weekend.

Lynne

On Fri, Feb 2, 2018 at 3:12 AM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Lynne, Tricia is out today and tomorrow. Do you still need attribution? What's the latest you can wait? When is the story slated to run?

Thanks,

Enesta

From: Lynne Peeples [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2018 5:28 PM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

Hi Tricia. Just checking back in. Have a name I could attribute this to yet? Thank you!

Lynne

On Thu, Jan 25, 2018 at 2:47 PM, Lynne Peeples <Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)> wrote:

That'd be great. Thanks again, Tricia!

On Thu, Jan 25, 2018 at 2:47 PM, Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov> wrote:

Thanks for checking, Lynne. I'm not a spokesperson for EPA, so please don't use my name. I'll be back in the morning and do what I can to find you a name.

Thanks!

From: Lynne Peeples [mailto Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Thursday, January 25, 2018 5:33 PM

To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Reporting on repurposing former Superfund sites

Very helpful. Thank you, Tricia. My editor would like us to be able to attribute to a person. Ok to use your name, as an EPA spokesperson?

Lynne

On Thu, Jan 25, 2018 at 12:15 PM, Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov> wrote:

Lynne—

For attribution to "an EPA spokesperson:"

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Message

From: Davis, Alison [Davis.Alison@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/19/2018 3:57:40 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
CC: DeLuca, Isabel [DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov]; Bremer, Kristen [Bremer.Kristen@epa.gov]; Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Would you reach out to this reporter?

I've been trying to get up with my guy on this to see where we are. I know he's here – but he's been away from his desk for a bit. Back as soon as I know more,

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From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 11:49 AM
To: Davis, Alison <Davis.Alison@epa.gov>
Cc: DeLuca, Isabel <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov>; Bremer, Kristen <Bremer.Kristen@epa.gov>; Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Would you reach out to this reporter?

Sure thing. We work with her a lot. I'll get in touch.

Incidentally, are we giving out any information at all on this topic? How "close hold" is it?

Happy to discuss.

Cheers, R.

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To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: DeLuca, Isabel <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov>; Bremer, Kristen <Bremer.Kristen@epa.gov>; Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: Would you reach out to this reporter?

MaryAnn Lavelle, Inside Climate News, called one of our staff Friday with a vague message about wanting to talk about the schedule for the PM NAAQS review. Our staffer was out and has not called her back.

She only left her phone number -- Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) --- but a quick Google check shows her email is marianne.lavelle@insideclimatenews.org

Would you reach out to her and find out what she's looking for?

Thanks.

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Message

From: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
Sent: 2/7/2018 8:56:24 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]; Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
CC: AO OPA Media Relations [AO_OPA_Media_Relations@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Follow up to phone call regarding EPA communications policies for class project

Hold please ..this says it was last updated in 2009 – why would this be tate and amy? Thanks ng

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Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) **(mobile)**

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Wednesday, February 07, 2018 3:51 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: AO OPA Media Relations <AO_OPA_Media_Relations@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Follow up to phone call regarding EPA communications policies for class project

Tate Bennett. But just start with Amy Dewey.

On Feb 7, 2018, at 3:50 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Thanks. Tate B?

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Wednesday, February 07, 2018 3:45 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: AO OPA Media Relations <AO_OPA_Media_Relations@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Follow up to phone call regarding EPA communications policies for class project

Here is our policy, last updated in 1999, while the page itself was last updated in 6/2017:

https://www.epa.gov/stylebook/epa-communications-stylebook-whos-who-and-networking-through-epa-communications

I would start with Tate B. or Amy D. in OPE.

On Feb 7, 2018, at 3:41 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

OMR folks, I'm wondering if we should put him in touch with OPE or even OEE?

From: Moch, Jonathan [mailto:jmoch@g.harvard.edu]
Sent: Wednesday, February 07, 2018 3:39 PM

To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Follow up to phone call regarding EPA communications policies for class project

Dear Robert,

Thank you so much for talking on the phone with me earlier. As I mentioned, I am a PhD student at Harvard working on a class project on science and science-policy issues, and am currently focusing on public communications at science relevant government agencies.

For the project I am trying to get a hold of whatever is written down as the EPA's public communications policy. For example, the Department of Commerce has a public communications policy which you can find here: http://www.osec.doc.gov/opog/dmp/daos/dao219_1.html. (Another example is the Department of the Interior's policy here: https://elips.doi.gov/elips/0/doc/3037/Page1.aspx).

Does the EPA have a similar policy governing public communications (e.g. publications, speeches, media coverage, etc.)?

I've so far been able to find the EPA Style book and the social media policy, but nothing along the lines of a general policy like at other agencies. I would greatly appreciate your help referring me to the appropriate person who can help me track down whatever policies the EPA has on these issues.

Thank you in advance.

With best regards,

Jonathan

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/17/2019 2:23:19 PM
To: Amy Norton [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Press inquiry

Good morning Amy,

For attribution to "an EPA Spokesperson," please:

It is not accurate that the recent asbestos significant new use rule (SNUR) "creates loopholes." On the contrary, by issuing the asbestos SNUR under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) EPA closed a potential loophole created following the 1991 court decision that provided the opportunity for asbestos uses banned by EPA in 1989 to return to the marketplace. The recent asbestos SNUR does not expand the existing uses of asbestos nor invite industry to create new uses.

To clarify, as of August 25, 1989, under TSCA EPA banned all new uses of asbestos initiated for the first time thereafter, which prevented new asbestos products from entering the marketplace, and these new uses remain banned. The 2019 asbestos SNUR complements the 1989 new use ban by preventing uses that may have been ongoing before 1989, but that have been discontinued since then, from returning to commerce. Without the asbestos SNUR, any discontinued asbestos uses could have begun in the U.S. at any time without notice to EPA, EPA review, or regulation. This action now ensures that the EPA will be notified of, and will be able to review and regulate, any of the uses that were not covered by the ban but have been discontinued since 1989, thus enabling the Agency to protect the public from asbestos risks.

Additionally, under TSCA, EPA legally cannot move directly to risk management actions, such as a ban or any other restrictions, without first completing the asbestos risk evaluation and making an unreasonable risk determination. EPA is currently conducting a risk evaluation for asbestos. The asbestos risk evaluation is not "stalled," as the article states, and is moving forward aggressively to meet the statutory timeline set by Congress.

Cheers, R.

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From: Amy Norton <[Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]>
Sent: Tuesday, July 09, 2019 7:20 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Press inquiry
Importance: High

Hi Robert,

Sorry I missed your call regarding this inquiry. Yes, we wondered if the EPA would care to give any written response to what the authors are stating in this perspective piece — particularly on page 2, column one, where they say the new asbestos rule "creates loopholes" that would potentially expand the use of asbestos in the U.S.

I would include any EPA statement in the article.

Please let me know if you need further information.
Thanks very much,
Amy

Amy Norton, medical journalist
HealthDay
https://consumer.healthday.com
cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) (New York)

On Jul 8, 2019, at 4:27 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Good afternoon,

A quick word to acknowledge receipt of your inquiry and deadline.

Cheers, R.

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From: Labbe, Ken
Sent: Monday, July 08, 2019 4:18 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Press inquiry
Importance: High

FYI- I believe this is you

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From: Amy Norton <Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)>
Sent: Monday, July 08, 2019 4:16 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Press inquiry
Importance: High

Amy Norton, medical journalist
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cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) (New York)

Hello:

I'm writing an article for the HealthDay news service on this perspective piece coming out in NEJM this week, on the recent EPA asbestos use rule. I wondered if the EPA would care to comment on it.

I'm attaching a PDF of the article.

My deadline is **Thursday morning ET.**

Thanks very much,
Amy

Embargoed until 5 PM ET Wednesday, July 10

A draft abstract is now available on the NEJM Media Center. The final file will be available at (estimated) 5 PM ET tomorrow.

Perpsective: A Most Reckless Proposal – A Plan to Continue Asbestos Use in the United States
Philip J. Landrigan, M.D., the Program in Global Public Health and the Common Good and the Global Observatory on Pollution and Health, Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA
The final file will be available on the NEJM Media Center at (estimated) 5 PM ET tomorrow.

PERSPECTIVE **A Most Reckless Proposal – A Plan to Continue Asbestos Use in the United States** Dr. Philip John Landrigan, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (retired), Atlanta, Georgia

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<AsbestosNEJM.pdf>

Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/16/2019 3:36:19 PM
To: Villeneuve, Marina [MVilleneuve@ap.org]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Subject: AP-Phthalates

Marina, for attribution to "an EPA Spokesperson," please:

1. What is the status of the ACC request into DINP?

On May 24, 2019 EPA received a request from Exxon Mobil Chemical Company, Evonik Corporation and Teknor Apex through the American Chemistry Council's High Phthalates Panel (ACC) for EPA to conduct a risk evaluation of diisononyl phthalate (DINP). EPA determined the manufacturer request to be facially complete and communicated that decision to ACC on June 13, 2019. EPA is currently assessing whether the conditions of use identified in the request constitute conditions of use under 40 CFR 702.37(e)(1) and whether those conditions of use warrant inclusion within the scope of a risk evaluation for DINP. EPA is also current assessing what, if any, additional conditions of use warrant including with the scope of a risk evaluation for DINP. A public comment period will be opened on or before August 19, 2019and will be no less than 45 calendar days to allow the public to submit comments and other information relevant to the requested risk evaluation.

2. When might a decision be reached? Is there any timeline in statute?

Within 60 calendar days of the end of the public comment period, EPA will decide whether to grant or deny the manufacturer request and will notify the requester of its decision. The Agency will also notify the public of its decision at that time. The timeline and process for manufacturer requests for risk evaluations are specified in the Risk Evaluation Rule.

3. Does the EPA have a position on Maine's new law that allows it to weigh in on toxic chemicals?

States have played an important role in ensuring the safety of chemicals in the marketplace. However, EPA does not generally take positions with respect to specific state laws or regulations.

4. Does the EPA have a position on a similar new law in Washington?

No, see response to #3.

5. Do states have such regulatory authority? Would the EPA authority override that? Has the EPA issued any guidance on this issue?

EPA does not opine on whether a state has the authority to take a particular regulatory action. As a general matter, states derive authority from their own state laws and constitution to protect the health, safety and welfare of their citizens, which may allow them to regulate chemicals. Under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), section 18 describes the circumstances under which a state action on a chemical may be preempted by federal action. Even when those circumstances apply, states may be eligible for a waiver or exemption. EPA has published several Q&As regarding TSCA preemption here: https://www.epa.gov/assessing-and-managing-chemicals-under-tsca/frequent-questions-frank-r-lautenberg-chemical-safety#q12

6. Specifically, if Maine regulated phthalates, would an EPA decision on DINP override such a determination?

As a general matter, whether particular state laws are subject to federal preemption would depend on a number of considerations, including, for example, whether the state action is subject to TSCA section 18, whether an exception applies, and the future scope of EPA's evaluation on the chemical.

7. Is the EPA aware of a determination by the FDA on phthalates?

Yes, the Agency is aware of work on phthalates by other federal agencies, including FDA and the Consumer Product Safety Commission. EPA anticipates coordinating with other federal agencies during the risk evaluation process.

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On Jul 2, 2019, at 10:16 AM, Villeneuve, Marina <MVilleneuve@ap.org> wrote:

Hi Robert,

Thanks very much.

My questions are:

1) What is the status of the ACC request into DINP?
2) When might a decision be reached? Is there any timeline in statute?
3) Does the EPA have a position on Maine's new law that allows it to weigh in on toxic chemicals?
4) Does the EPA have a position on a similar new law in Washington?
5) Do states have such regulatory authority? Would the EPA authority override that? Has the EPA issued any guidance on this issue?
6) Specifically, if Maine regulated phthalates, would an EPA decision on DINP override such a determination?
7) Is the EPA aware of a determination by the FDA on phthalates?

Sincerely,
Marina Villeneuve

From: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Sent: Monday, July 01, 2019 9:10 PM
To: Villeneuve, Marina <MVilleneuve@ap.org>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Subject: AP-Phthalates

Good evening,

I'll be in touch first thing in the morning if that's all right.

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From: Villeneuve, Marina <MVilleneuve@ap.org>
Sent: Monday, July 1, 2019 5:41 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: AP-Phthalates

Hello,

I'm Marina Villeneuve with The Associated Press. I'm writing about the request for an evaluation of phthalates.

https://www.epa.gov/assessing-and-managing-chemicals-under-tsca/manufacturer-requested-risk-evaluation-diisononyl-0

I am looking to speak with someone from the EPA about the status of this request, tomorrow July 2. I am also wondering about what such an evaluation could mean for states like Maine that are moving to ban that chemical.

I can be reached at Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Sincerely,
Marina Villeneuve

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From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 12/21/2017 6:21:49 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
CC: AO OPA Media Relations [AO_OPA_Media_Relations@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: ROBERT: Press request on C2P2

Yes. You're referencing Sylvia Carignan and Jackie Toth, correct?

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Thursday, December 21, 2017 1:15 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: AO OPA Media Relations <AO_OPA_Media_Relations@epa.gov>
Subject: ROBERT: Press request on C2P2

Two incomings on House letter re: Superfund sites.

You got all of OLEM today?

Want to be sure so no fruit is left hanging.

On Dec 21, 2017, at 11:49 AM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

I'll handle.

From: David LaRoss [mailto:dlaross@iwpnews.com]
Sent: Thursday, December 21, 2017 10:41 AM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Re: Press request on C2P2

I'm forwarding this request to the general press mailbox as Tricia is out of the office. Thanks for your help!

-------- Forwarded Message --------
Subject: Re: Press request on C2P2
Date: Thu, 21 Dec 2017 10:35:24 -0500
From: David LaRoss <dlaross@iwpnews.com>
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>

Tricia -

Thanks! I've updated the story, but would also like to follow up if I could -- what action or report does EPA see as addressing the second IG recommendation? Is it part of the RCRA coal ash rule?

David LaRoss
Inside EPA
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On 12/20/2017 4:11 PM, Lynn, Tricia wrote:

David—

For attribution to "an EPA spokesperson:"

The Agency appreciates working with stakeholders on the responsible beneficial use of CCR, as well as other non-hazardous industrial secondary materials. We fully addressed the concerns that had been raised by EPA's IG. The Agency has not made a decision to revive the Coal Combustion Products Partnership (C2P2) Program.

Best,

Tricia

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Tricia Lynn
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From: David LaRoss [mailto:dlaross@iwpnews.com]
Sent: Tuesday, December 19, 2017 1:09 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Press request on C2P2

I'm working on a story for *Inside EPA* about environmentalists' letter yesterday urging EPA not to quickly revive the Coal Combustion Partnership Program (C2P2) as industry has requested, and signaled is likely. Does EPA have a comment on the potential for reviving the program?

Deadline is close of business -- we may post the story earlier in the afternoon, but we'll update it with any comment received from EPA today.

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David LaRoss
Inside EPA
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Message

From: Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]
Sent: 1/31/2018 1:34:56 PM
To: Krisher, Tom [tkrisher@ap.org]; Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]; Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
CC: McHugh, David [DMcHugh@ap.org]
Subject: RE: fuel economy numbers

Hi Tom – I'll check

From: Krisher, Tom [mailto:tkrisher@ap.org]
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2018 8:31 AM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>; Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>; McHugh, David <DMcHugh@ap.org>
Subject: RE: fuel economy numbers

Enesta, Robert and Julia,
We have a story on the wire out of Germany that prosecutors in Stuttgart are investigating Bosch for a possible role in Fiat Chrysler diesel emissions cheating. Do you have any update on the status of the EPA's investigation in the U.S. It's been under way for quite a while.
Thank you,
Tom

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, January 09, 2018 3:54 PM
To: Krisher, Tom <tkrisher@ap.org>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: fuel economy numbers

Tom, for attribution to an EPA spokesperson:

We having nothing more to share at this time.

From: Krisher, Tom [mailto:tkrisher@ap.org]
Sent: Tuesday, January 09, 2018 3:50 PM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: fuel economy numbers

Can you say how we'll find out about it from EPA? And can you define soon so I can plan out the next few days.

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, January 09, 2018 3:49 PM
To: Krisher, Tom <tkrisher@ap.org>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: fuel economy numbers

Hi Tom: Off the record, it's happening soon.

From: "Krisher, Tom" <tkrisher@ap.org>
Date: January 9, 2018 at 3:21:19 PM EST
To: "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: fuel economy numbers

Robert,
I'm being told by industry contacts that this will come out on Thursday. Can you tell me how it will be delivered? There used to be a conference call.
Thanks,
Tom

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 05, 2018 7:50 AM
To: Krisher, Tom <tkrisher@ap.org>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: fuel economy numbers

Good morning Tom,

Still off the record, we have nothing new for you.

Thanks, R.

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From: Krisher, Tom [mailto:tkrisher@ap.org]
Sent: Friday, January 05, 2018 7:45 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: fuel economy numbers

Hi Robert. Any date for this yet?
Thanks,
Tom

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 14, 2017, at 3:45 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

> Tom, sorry for the late reply,
>
> Off the record, please, we expect the report to come out soon. We'll let you know when it does.

Cheers, R.

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From: Krisher, Tom [mailto:tkrisher@ap.org]
Sent: Wednesday, December 13, 2017 1:41 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: fuel economy numbers

Robert,
Any luck with this?
Thanks,
Tom

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Monday, December 11, 2017 10:30 AM
To: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>; Krisher, Tom <tkrisher@ap.org>
Subject: RE: fuel economy numbers

Hey Tom, let me check.

From: Valentine, Julia
Sent: Monday, December 11, 2017 10:07 AM
To: Krisher, Tom <tkrisher@ap.org>; Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: fuel economy numbers

Hi Tom, connecting you with my colleague Robert Daguillard who is covering that issue. Thanks and hop you are staying warm out there!

Julia P. Valentine
US EPA Office of Public Affairs
202.564.2663 direct
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From: Krisher, Tom [mailto:tkrisher@ap.org]
Sent: Monday, December 11, 2017 9:52 AM
To: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>
Subject: fuel economy numbers

Hey Julia,
I'm hearing that Tuesday or Wednesday you folks will release this year's fuel economy numbers for the fleet of new vehicles. Is there any truth to this?
Thank you, and hope all is well.
Tom

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Sent: 9/15/2017 3:20:29 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
CC: AO OPA Media Relations [AO_OPA_Media_Relations@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Subject: Re: Media Inquiry - EJ SCREEN

Brain fart on my end. I got the Newark Star-Ledger and the Earth Island Journal mixed up. Tricia had asked me to look out for approval on the former.

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Friday, September 15, 2017 11:18 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: AO OPA Media Relations <AO_OPA_Media_Relations@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Subject: Re: Media Inquiry - EJ SCREEN

Robert, not sure what happened here. I pinged 3, got the ok and then sent it to the reporter. EJ is my new beat so I was filing in for Tricia.

You only cover Tricia on OCFO.

NABD...

On Sep 15, 2017, at 11:15 AM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Zoe, on behalf of Tricia Lynn, who is out today, and for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

The addition of the prison layer, like all of the enhancements to EJSCREEN, was done as the result of interaction and feedback from EJSCREEN users. We use all the data in EJSCREEN to consider potential impacts to overburdened and vulnerable populations in EPA's work and interactions with communities. The addition of the prison layer will help to consider these specific populations and places during such considerations. Consideration about specific uses of the prison data and layers in EJSCREEN is ongoing.

Regards, R.

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From: Zoe Loftus-Farren [mailto:zloftus@earthisland.org]
Sent: Monday, September 11, 2017 5:52 PM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Media Inquiry - EJ SCREEN

Hi Tricia,

Below are a few questions. My deadline has been extended to tomorrow (tuesday) evening. I can make myself available anytime tomorrow.

Thank you,

Zoe

(1) what prompted the EPA to add a prison layer to the EJScreen tool?

(2) How will the EPA utilize this layer?

(3) Will this layer help the EPA to address environmental issues that impact the health of prisoners? And/or to address pollution related to operation of prisons, including air and water pollution, than may impact nearby communities and habitat?

(4) Does the EPA have any plans to expand its work around prisons and the environment?

(5) Is there anything else you'd like to add?

On Fri, Sep 8, 2017 at 1:30 PM, Zoe Loftus-Farren
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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 11/27/2017 8:56:53 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: ENESTA: Closed and Open inquiries.
Attachments: RE: fenceline monitoring; RE: Center for Public Integrity - DDL 12/1 - Emissions Program ; ERIN/CHRIS/OTAQ: WHYY - DDL ASAP - request for comment on RFS/RINs; FOR REVIEW: S.A. Express-News (Brendan Gibbons; 2015 ozone nonattainment- DDL 11/22; Re: OW/OCSPP: Bloomberg Environment - PFOA/PFOS - Dec. 1 - Questions, interview request regarding Dennis Forsgren comments; RE: OW/OCSPP: NY Times - DDL 11/28 - PFC regulation

CLOSED:

Air

AccuWeather (Amanda Schmidt) [Received 11/17] – CLOSED – Pollution in India – response sent

Environmental Justice

The Guardian (Julia Wong) [Received 11/21] – CLOSED – EJ Grants to research worker exposure to chemicals in nail salon – response sent

OPEN

Air

Bloomberg Environment (Jennifer Lu) [Received 11/22] - OPEN – Fenceline monitoring for benzene – original response sent; follow-up questions in program – DDL 11/24, but follow-up response unlikely before 11/28 at the earliest.

Center for Public Integrity (Rachel Leven) [Received 11/7] – OPEN – Administration's view of air emissions program – response to original inquiry awaiting OPS approval; reporter sent new questions on 11/27 – DDL ASA

Inside EPA (Dawn Reeves); State Journal (Charleston, WV; Jim Ross) West Virginia Public Broadcasting (Glynis Board) [Received 11/22-11/24] – OPEN - General questions on CPP hearing in Charleston, WV – DDL 11/22 (Awaiting Live Streaming Info)

San Antonio Express-News (Brendan Gibbons) [Received 11/22] – OPEN – Bexar County (TX) air quality attainment status? – response awaiting OPS approval – DDL 11/22

WHYY/State Impact (Jon Hurdle) [Received 11/13] – OPEN – Seeking response to Philadelphia area refiners; comments on RINs under Renewable Fuel Standard program – response awaiting OPS approval - DDL 11/20

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Subject: RE: Center for Public Integrity - DDL 12/1 - Emissions Program

Yes, Alison and I spoke before I wrote you. Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Monday, November 27, 2017 2:11 PM
To: DeLuca, Isabel <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov>; Millett, John <Millett.John@epa.gov>; Welderufael, Miriam <welderufael.miriam@epa.gov>; Davis, Alison <Davis.Alison@epa.gov>; Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
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Thanks, Isabel.

I like to check with programs first and ask for their preference. Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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I'll check with Nancy and Liz, but my experience is that they usually Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) I'll circle back either way.

Cheers, R.

From: DeLuca, Isabel
Sent: Monday, November 27, 2017 1:59 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Millett, John <Millett.John@epa.gov>; Welderufael, Miriam <welderufael.miriam@epa.gov>; Davis, Alison <Davis.Alison@epa.gov>; Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
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Robert,
Nearly all of the OAQPS comms folks are out of town for most of this week for the hearing, so interview prep would be really tough. Before we scramble on this, can you check and see if Nancy/Liz think Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)? My sense is that Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP).

As for the new questions, we've touched on some of these in our previous response. Others, such as "how big of a priority are emissions factors for this administration" Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
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Thanks,
Isabel

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Monday, November 27, 2017 10:32 AM
To: Millett, John <Millett.John@epa.gov>; DeLuca, Isabel <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov>; Welderufael, Miriam <welderufael.miriam@epa.gov>; Davis, Alison <Davis.Alison@epa.gov>
Subject: OAR: Center for Public Integrity - DDL 12/1 - Emissions Program

OUTLET: **CENTER FOR PUBLIC INTEGRITY**

REPORTER: **RACHEL LEVEN**
DDL: **FRIDAY 12/1**

Good morning team – and sorry if I haven't sent to all proper contacts. Rachel Leven has a follow-up request. Let me know if you want to discuss. Please note, she has not yet received a response to her original query.

Cheers, R.

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As I'm now getting closer to publishing, I would like to interview someone from the EPA on-the-record on this administration's views on the effectiveness of the agency's emissions factors program. Here are a few of my questions:

- How important does the administration feel it is to maintain overall reliability of its emissions factors?
- Does the administration plan to improve the reliability of its emissions factors? If so, how?
- How big of a priority is this for this administration?
- What are the appropriate (EPA-sanctioned) uses for emissions factor?

I would obviously have more to ask, but that can give you all an idea of the broad scope-vision questions I'll be looking for answers on.

My deadline is close-of-business Friday. Thanks for all of your help, and looking forward to hearing back. Best, Rachel

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From: Leven, Rachel
Subject: Media Request: Emissions Factors (DEADLINE: Monday COB)

Hi, I'm looking into the EPA's emissions factors program for a longer-term article. Essentially, I'm researching how effective the program is.

I'm early in my reporting and hoping to connect with agency data people to make sure that I'm interpreting the WebFire data accurately. Could you please help me set up a call? If not, could you please confirm that this the correct interpretation:

- There are 22,561 unique emissions factors.
- Nearly 50 percent, or 11,130 factors, are rated "D" or "E."
- Another 20 percent, or 4,526 factors, are unrated.
- 4,716 emissions factors—separate from the 22,561 factors—have been revoked. There are updated or revised emissions factors included in the 22,561 current factors.

Additionally, does the EPA have a way to track how/ when emissions factors are used? For example, if I wanted to see how many permits include emissions factors on the whole or a specific emissions factor, is there a way for me to glean that from WebFire database?

Finally, I'm trying to find the budget numbers for how much money the emissions factors program has requested and been delegated from 2006 through to now. I've looked on the EPA's website, but am having trouble locating the line item for the program. Ideally, I'm looking to find information on these categories:

- Requested amount for the emissions factors program
- Amount received
- Amount spent
- Amount reprogrammed
- How much was spent on:

- Maintenance of the emissions factors database
- Development of specific emissions factors
- Emissions factors program improvements

Could you all please send me that information or direct me to where it is public? Please respond no later than Monday close-of-business. Really appreciate the help. Best, Rachel

Message

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From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Monday, November 27, 2017 2:11 PM
To: DeLuca, Isabel <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov>; Millett, John <Millett.John@epa.gov>; Welderufael, Miriam <welderufael.miriam@epa.gov>; Davis, Alison <Davis.Alison@epa.gov>; Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Center for Public Integrity - DDL 12/1 - Emissions Program

Thanks, Isabel.

I like to check with programs first and ask for their preference. Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) I'm also happy to ask for a deadline extension if, and when, you think you need one.

I'll check with Nancy and Liz, but my experience is that Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) I'll circle back either way.

Cheers, R.

From: DeLuca, Isabel
Sent: Monday, November 27, 2017 1:59 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Millett, John <Millett.John@epa.gov>; Welderufael, Miriam <welderufael.miriam@epa.gov>; Davis, Alison <Davis.Alison@epa.gov>; Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Center for Public Integrity - DDL 12/1 - Emissions Program

Robert,
Nearly all of the OAQPS comms folks are out of town for most of this week for the hearing, so interview prep would be really tough. Before we scramble on this, can you check and see if Nancy/Liz think Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)? My sense is that Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP).

As for the new questions, we've touched on some of these in our previous response. Others, such as "how big of a priority are emissions factors for this administration" Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Thanks,
Isabel

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Monday, November 27, 2017 10:32 AM
To: Millett, John <Millett.John@epa.gov>; DeLuca, Isabel <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov>; Welderufael, Miriam <welderufael.miriam@epa.gov>; Davis, Alison <Davis.Alison@epa.gov>
Subject: OAR: Center for Public Integrity - DDL 12/1 - Emissions Program

OUTLET: **CENTER FOR PUBLIC INTEGRITY**

REPORTER: **RACHEL LEVEN**
DDL: **FRIDAY 12/1**

Good morning team – and sorry if I haven't sent to all proper contacts. Rachel Leven has a follow-up request. Let me know if you want to discuss. Please note, she has not yet received a response to her original query.

Cheers, R.

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As I'm now getting closer to publishing, I would like to interview someone from the EPA on-the-record on this administration's views on the effectiveness of the agency's emissions factors program. Here are a few of my questions:

- How important does the administration feel it is to maintain overall reliability of its emissions factors?
- Does the administration plan to improve the reliability of its emissions factors? If so, how?
- How big of a priority is this for this administration?
- What are the appropriate (EPA-sanctioned) uses for emissions factor?

I would obviously have more to ask, but that can give you all an idea of the broad scope-vision questions I'll be looking for answers on.

My deadline is close-of-business Friday. Thanks for all of your help, and looking forward to hearing back. Best, Rachel

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From: Leven, Rachel
Subject: Media Request: Emissions Factors (DEADLINE: Monday COB)

Hi, I'm looking into the EPA's emissions factors program for a longer-term article. Essentially, I'm researching how effective the program is.

I'm early in my reporting and hoping to connect with agency data people to make sure that I'm interpreting the WebFire data accurately. Could you please help me set up a call? If not, could you please confirm that this the correct interpretation:

- There are 22,561 unique emissions factors.
- Nearly 50 percent, or 11,130 factors, are rated "D" or "E."
- Another 20 percent, or 4,526 factors, are unrated.
- 4,716 emissions factors—separate from the 22,561 factors—have been revoked. There are updated or revised emissions factors included in the 22,561 current factors.

Additionally, does the EPA have a way to track how/ when emissions factors are used? For example, if I wanted to see how many permits include emissions factors on the whole or a specific emissions factor, is there a way for me to glean that from WebFire database?

Finally, I'm trying to find the budget numbers for how much money the emissions factors program has requested and been delegated from 2006 through to now. I've looked on the EPA's website, but am having trouble locating the line item for the program. Ideally, I'm looking to find information on these categories:

- Requested amount for the emissions factors program
- Amount received
- Amount spent
- Amount reprogrammed
- How much was spent on:

- Maintenance of the emissions factors database
- Development of specific emissions factors
- Emissions factors program improvements

Could you all please send me that information or direct me to where it is public? Please respond no later than Monday close-of-business. Really appreciate the help. Best, Rachel

Message

From: Mike Soraghan [msoraghan@eenews.net]
Sent: 1/30/2018 12:08:12 AM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: changes to the hydraulic fracturing - UOG page

Thank you.

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From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Monday, January 29, 2018 7:06 PM
To: Mike Soraghan <msoraghan@eenews.net>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: changes to the hydraulic fracturing - UOG page

Hi Mike, on behalf of Robert and for attribution to an EPA spokesperson:

Q: I'm working on a story today about the changes to what used to be the "hydraulic fracturing" page and is now the "Unconventional oil and natural gas" page. Can anyone give me a sense of what the thinking was behind the changes?

A: The term "unconventional oil and natural gas" more accurately reflects the information on the webpage. The term "hydraulic fracturing" refers to a discrete process associated with an unconventional oil and natural gas well.

Q: Also, I'm trying to confirm that the oil and gas roundtable last week was postponed because of the government shutdown. Has a new date been set?

A: The oil and natural gas roundtable scheduled for January 23 and 24th was postponed due to the lapse in funding that resulted in a government shutdown on Friday, January 19, 2018. At this time, EPA is working to reschedule the roundtable.

From: Mike Soraghan [mailto:msoraghan@eenews.net]

Sent: Monday, January 29, 2018 10:09 AM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: changes to the hydraulic fracturing - UOG page

Hi. I'm working on a story today about the changes to what used to be the "hydraulic fracturing" page and is now the "Unconventional oil and natural gas" page. Can anyone give me a sense of what the thinking was behind the changes?

Also, I'm trying to confirm that the oil and gas roundtable last week was postponed because of the government shutdown. Has a new date been set?

Thank you,

Mike Soraghan

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/31/2017 12:19:20 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Morning Enesta,

Will you close this one or should I take it back? Fine either way.

Thanks, R.

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Friday, July 28, 2017 4:30 PM
To: Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com
Cc: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Got it, Emily. Have a great weekend.

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"The root of all joy is gratefulness."

From: Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com [mailto:Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com]
Sent: Friday, July 28, 2017 4:28 PM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Many thanks, Enesta – one more thing. My editors want to attribute ALL the info in this chain to a specific person, not just "An EPA spokesman." The story is too in-depth not to have a name attached, they say.

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From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Friday, July 28, 2017 4:27 PM
To: Flitter, Emily R. (Reuters News); Daguillard, Robert
Cc: Press
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Hi Emily,

We have your request and deadline.

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From: Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com [mailto:Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com]
Sent: Friday, July 28, 2017 4:22 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Hi,

Some follow-up questions with a deadline of Monday at 3pm:

1. **Who** conducted testing on volatility for new dicamba formulations? EPA scientists? Monsanto? A private contractor?
2. **Can we see the data from these tests?**
3. Were the tests independent from Monsanto?
4. Does the EPA's two-year registration, which is an unusually short period of time, mean someone inside the agency suspected there might be problems?

Best,

Emily

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From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 27, 2017 4:49 PM
To: Flitter, Emily R. (Reuters News)
Cc: Press
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Again, for attribution to "an agency spokesperson," please.

EPA placed time limits on the registration to allow the Agency to either let it expire or to easily make the necessary changes in the registration if there are problems with resistant weeds or pesticide drift.

From: Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com [mailto:Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 27, 2017 3:48 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Thanks Robert these are helpful answers. One more question: Why did EPA only approve registration for the new dicamba formulations for 2 years? Did the decision relate at all to concerns about the products' volatility?

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From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 27, 2017 3:46 PM
To: Flitter, Emily R. (Reuters News)
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Emily, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

1. INCOMING/Follow- up Q: "I have learned the EPA is looking into the dicamba problems and had a conference call with state regulators and scientists from several Midwestern universities on July 13. Is the EPA formally reviewing the registration for Monsanto's and BASF's formulations of dicamba? Is the EPA formally reviewing ANY aspect of its approval of dicamba?"

ANSWER: We are reviewing the current use restrictions on the labels for these dicamba formulations in light of the incidents that have been reported this year.

2. INCOMING: Is there someone at the EPA who can describe to me the EPA's involvement in this situation? Is the situation on the ground in Arkansas, western Tennessee, Missouri and Illinois right now causing anyone at EPA to rethink the agency's stance on Dicamba?

ANSWER: EPA is very concerned about the recent reports of crop damage related to the use of dicamba in Missouri, Arkansas and other states. We are working with the states and the registrants to better understand the issue. The underlying causes of the various damage incidents are not yet clear, but EPA is reviewing the available information carefully. We will rely on the best information available to inform our assessment, but we do not yet have enough information to consider an appropriate response.

3. INCOMING: What testing did EPA do on the latest formulations of Dicamba before they were approved?

ANSWER: EPA's analysis of the data has shown reduced volatility potential with newer formulations. EPA's risk assessment included the evaluation of studies that measured the deposition and movement of dicamba after application. These studies were conducted both in the laboratory and in the field. The information from these studies was used to model the off-target movement of dicamba after application. Modeling results were then used to determine buffers and other labeling restrictions to limit off-site movement of dicamba.

4. INCOMING: Is it true that Monsanto and BASF supply the testing data and dictate what testing can be done and what can't be done before approval? If so, where did the testing come from that the EPA used in considering these new formulations?

ANSWER: Before pesticides can be manufactured, distributed, or sold in the United States, they first undergo a rigorous registration process. EPA requires many different scientific studies from applicants wishing to register new pesticides. These studies come from all kinds of sources – pesticide companies, other governments, academia, or the published scientific literature – and help us ensure that our decisions are informed by the best science available. EPA scientists and analysts carefully review these data to determine whether to register (license) a pesticide product or use and whether specific restrictions are necessary. EPA goes through an intensive evaluation process, looking at the human health and environmental risks.

From: Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com [mailto:Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 27, 2017 10:51 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Hi Robert,

This is getting very urgent. I have learned the EPA is looking into the dicamba problems and had a conference call with state regulators and scientists from several Midwestern universities on July 13. Is the EPA formally reviewing the registration for Monsanto's and BASF's formulations of dicamba? Is the EPA formally reviewing ANY aspect of its approval of dicamba? I need to press you very urgently for answers to these and the other questions I sent earlier today. I am trying to get a story out as soon as possible.

Thanks and best regards,

Emily

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From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 4:40 PM
To: Flitter, Emily R. (Reuters News)
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Roger.

From: Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com [mailto:Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 4:37 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

That's OK – I appreciate the update and I look forward to talking tomorrow. Happy to discuss more about what I'm working on with you if it helps you gather the answers to the questions, so please feel free to call me anytime. I'm at Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

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From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 4:36 PM
To: Flitter, Emily R. (Reuters News)
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Hullo again Emily,

We're working on these questions for you. Let's touch base tomorrow to see where things stand if OK.

Regards, R.

From: Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com [mailto:Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 12:46 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Many thanks, Robert. I'll look forward to hearing from you again soon.

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From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 12:45 PM
To: Flitter, Emily R. (Reuters News); Press
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Hey Emily,

A quick word to acknowledge receipt. I'll circle back.

Thanks, R.

From: Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com [mailto:Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 12:34 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Hi,

I'm working on a story about Dicamba. Broadly, it appears Monsanto has released a new formulation (for 2017 season) of its Dicamba product Xtend that was never tested for volatility and its potential to migrate to nearby crops. A similar situation has occurred with BASF and its new formulation. The 2017 growing season has given rise to a wave of complaints of crop damage resulting from the use of Dicamba on other crops nearby. Arkansas has now completely banned Dicamba and never approved its 2017 formulation because of the volatility potential and the lack of testing. Several lawsuits have been filed now against Monsanto over this issue. There are at least two class action suits.

Is there someone at the EPA who can describe to me the EPA's involvement in this situation? What testing did EPA do on the latest formulations of Dicamba before they were approved? Is it true that Monsanto and BASF supply the testing data and dictate what testing can be done and what can't be done before approval? If so, where did the testing come from that the EPA used in considering these new formulations? Is the situation on the ground in Arkansas, western Tennessee, Missouri and Illinois right now causing anyone at EPA to rethink the agency's stance on Dicamba?

This story's deadline isn't for a few days, but if there's any way we can start discussing this as soon as today, that would be great. I'd love to get on the phone with someone and talk more about what my story is and who the best people would be to interview. Can you please give me a call as soon as you can? Thank you!

Best regards,

Emily

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Message

From: Catherine Clabby [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
Sent: 12/8/2017 5:11:35 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Request for information regarding new PFAS programming

Thank you.

One follow up: Is the US Department of Justice involved with this investigation?

Cathy

On Dec 8, 2017, at 11:55 AM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Cathy, that investigation is ongoing.

From: Catherine Clabby [mailto[Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
Sent: Friday, December 08, 2017 11:54 AM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Request for information regarding new PFAS programming

Super. Thank you Enesta.

One more question. You told me some months ago that EPA was evaluating whether Chemours, and I assume DuPont, did not comply with the 2009 consent decree that allowed the companies to produce GenX as long as no more than 1 percent was released into the environment. What is the status of that review?

Best wishes again,
Cathy

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On Dec 8, 2017, at 11:47 AM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Cathy, attributable to an EPA spokesperson:

EPA is working to identify near-term actions that the agency can take to address PFAS in the environment and help support local communities. The agency will also be working to identify and enhance coordination with our federal partners, the states and tribes. Over the years, EPA has coordinated with other federal agencies including DOD, HHS, and FDA on the PFOA/PFOS health advisories and other efforts related to PFAS. We have also worked closely with states and tribes on site-specific/local issues. Within the

agency, EPA's water and research offices are leading these efforts and they will bring together expertise from across the agency and from throughout the regions.

The PFAS press release:
https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/epa-launches-cross-agency-effort-address-pfas

I'll be sure to add you to the PFAS press release distribution list.

From: Catherine Clabby [mailto Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Friday, December 08, 2017 8:46 AM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Request for information regarding new PFAS programming

Hello Enesta.

Cathy Clabby here, from *North Carolina Health News*. You and I have corresponded before regarding concerns about PFAS pollution originating from the Chemours chemical plant complex in our state.

I'm writing about two things.

I'm requesting the written description of the EPA "cross-agency" initiative described here that is relevant to this contamination.

Also, what steps can I take to make sure that I am on any press mailings from EPA activity regarding PFAS, in North Carolina and elsewhere in the country.

Best wishes,
Cathy

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Catherine Clabby I Journalist
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On Oct 18, 2017, at 2:53 PM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Catherine, the responses to your follow-up questions are below. Please attribute them to an agency spokesperson.

1. You heard Dr. Strynar say that he took a more difficult path to characterize the unknown PFAS compounds in the Cape Fear River. That's because if he had obtained information that DuPont had

submitted to EPA regarding what it was producing, he could have faced limitations on what he could have made public.

Is there any effort afoot within the agency to change that practice so that EPA scientists can obtain information filed with the agency when studying emerging contaminants without facing limitations on public disclosure about what chemicals are being released by manufacturing facilities? PFAS were of enough concern that EPA required sampling for them as part of the 3rd unregulated contaminant monitoring rule. (See list of compounds in screen grab below.)

Our process for protection of and access to materials claimed as confidential business information (CBI) is consistent with the framework laid out under the Toxic Substances Control Act. Provisions are in place for federal employees to access CBI if needed for the required performance of their jobs.

2. Will EPA continue to support Dr. Strynar's efforts to look for and identify unregulated chemicals released by industrial sites during the Trump Administration?

Yes. One of Administrator Pruitt's priorities for EPA is to provide support to the states. The work EPA is currently doing on GenX in NC is at the request of NC DEQ.

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On Oct 17, 2017, at 12:23 PM, Catherine Clabby
<Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)> wrote:

Thank you Enesta. I'm hoping I'm on the press release list if and when the EPA does make an announcement on this matter or anything else related to PFAS contamination in North Carolina and our region.

Thank you again for your swift help.

Cathy

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On Oct 17, 2017, at 12:20 PM, Jones, Enesta
<Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Catherine, attributable to an agency spokesperson:

No new information at this time.

On Oct 17, 2017, at 9:40 AM, Catherine Clabby <Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)> wrote:

Hi Ernesta. Is there any news yet regarding the Chemours investigation we've corresponded about before? Is it finished? Likely to be finished soon?

If done, what are the results?

My deadline is Wednesday this week.

Best wishes,
Cathy Clabby

On Sep 7, 2017, at 7:18 PM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

> Hi Catherine, for attribution to an EPA spokesperson:
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> The investigation is still ongoing. It's EPA policy not to discuss ongoing investigations.

From: Catherine Clabby [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Thursday, September 07, 2017 3:17 PM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Checking in for update re: Chemours PFAS compounds released in Cape Fear River

Thank you!

Tomorrow is my deadline. Sunday really but I hope you do not work in weekends!

Cathy

On Sep 7, 2017, at 3:14 PM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

> Hi Catherine, I'll look into this. What's your deadline?
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> On Sep 7, 2017, at 3:13 PM, Catherine Clabby Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) > wrote:
>
> Hello Enesta.
>
> You helped me earlier this summer regarding getting information about EPA's investigation regarding Chemours Co's compliance with a 2009 order EPA issued under the TSCA regarding the production of GenX. (Please see email thread below.) Thank you again for that!
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> I'm checking in to learn about the status of that investigation you described.
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> At what stage is the probe now?
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> Has EPA found evidence that Chemours did not comply with the order.
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> Does EPA expect to take any regulatory action against Chemours or DuPont on this matter?

I'm happy to talk by phone if that is best.

Best wishes,
Cathy Clabby
NC Health News

I'm just back from a summer trip. In case it is of use to you, here is our most recent story on the issues of GenX and wider PFAS and PFOA contamination in North Carolina.

https://www.northcarolinahealthnews.org/2017/08/17/genx-pollution-what-happened-when/

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On Jul 12, 2017, at 3:21 PM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Catherine,

Please attribute our response below to an EPA spokesperson:

EPA has initiated an investigation into Chemours's compliance with a 2009 order issued under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) for the production of GenX. This investigation will allow EPA to determ

ine whether Chemours is in compliance with requirements of the order to control releases to the environment at the Fayetteville, N.C., facility. EPA is also reviewing the additional toxicity data submitted by the company, as required under the consent order, and updating the risk assessment using the additio

nal toxicity data specific to GenX. At the request of the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (NCDEQ), scientists in EPA's Office of Research and Development are conducting an independent laboratory analysis of four rounds of water samples being collected by NCDEQ at 13 locations in the

Cape Fear River in June and July.

Under the terms of the Consent Order, for operations in the United States, DuPont (Chemours) is required to recover and capture (destroy) or recycle the chemical from all the process wastewater effluent streams and air emissions (point source and fugitive) at an overall

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From: Catherine Clabby [mailto

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Sent: Tuesday, July 11, 2017 9:27 PM
To: Lincoln, Larry <Lincoln.Larry@epa.gov>; Marraccini, Davina <Marraccini.Davina@epa.gov>
Subject: Reporter's query about GenX issue in Cape Fear

Hi Larry and Davina. I'm a reporter at *NC Health*

News.
Jamie Krietzer at NC DEQ said you would be the right pios at EPA to contact regarding questions regarding the ongoing inquiry to the discovery of PFOA replacement chemicals in the Cape Fear River downstream of the Chemours' Faetteville Works.

For a story I'm filing on Wednesday, here

are my questions:

What is the scope of EPA's investigation into the discovery of the compounds in the Cape Fear?

If the EPA determines that Chemours plant did not comply with 2009 consent order with EPA that strictly limited release of PFOA replacement chemicals from its GenX operati

on in Fayetteville, what range of penalties could EPA impose on the company?

Chemours officials have told NC officials that the compounds did not come from its GenX operations. Instead they came from another site at Fayetteville Works, possibly starting back in the 1980s. Does that appear to be

plausible?

Given the limits of release imposed by the consent order, did Chemours have any legal standing to release the PFOA replacements from anywhere at Fayetteville Works in the river?

How long as EPA been aware that that PFOA replacements were being released from the industrial

property?

I'm happy to speak by phone if that is best for you.

Thank you in advance for your help.

Best wishes,
Cathy Clabby

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Message

From: Faith Lapidus [flapidus@voa.gov]
Sent: 7/20/2017 6:13:39 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: endosulfan

It was conducted by the International Center for Diarrheal Disease Research in Bangladesh, the Institute of Epidemiology, Disease Control and Research (IEDCR) in Bangladesh, and the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), published in American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene with a Monday embargo.

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2017 2:08 PM
To: Faith Lapidus <flapidus@voa.gov>
Subject: RE: endosulfan

Hm. Can't promise we do. Let me ask.

Who conducted the study and when is it coming out?

From: Faith Lapidus [mailto:flapidus@voa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2017 2:05 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: endosulfan

It's an embargoed study, looking at the deaths of children in Bangladesh, probably from exposure to endosulfan on lychee fruit. The pesticide is banned in 80 countries, but obviously not all. Does EPA have any information about which countries still allow its use?

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2017 2:03 PM
To: Faith Lapidus <flapidus@voa.gov>
Subject: RE: endosulfan

Sure thing! Out of curiosity and to make sure we've gotten you what you need, are you writing a piece just about endosulfan, or about pesticides in general? Are you looking at a specific environmental, health or agricultural issue?

From: Faith Lapidus [mailto:flapidus@voa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2017 1:58 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: endosulfan

Thanks!

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2017 1:54 PM
To: Faith Lapidus <flapidus@voa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: endosulfan

Faith, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

"n 2010, the EPA decided to terminate all uses of endosulfan due to unacceptable risks to farmworkers and wildlife. The EPA signed a Memorandum of Agreement with the registrants of endosulfan that resulted in voluntary cancellation and provided for a phase-out of all existing endosulfan uses in the United States in order to allow time for growers to transition to newer alternatives. As of 2016, all uses of endosulfan have been phased out and cancelled. Use of endosulfan in the United States has been prohibited since July 31, 2016. "

Regards, R.

From: Faith Lapidus [mailto:flapidus@voa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 19, 2017 12:15 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: endosulfan

Yes , but not until Friday.

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 19, 2017 12:13 PM
To: Faith Lapidus <flapidus@voa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: endosulfan

Good afternoon Faith,

Let me check for you. Are you on deadline?

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From: Faith Lapidus [mailto:flapidus@voa.gov]
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Is this pesticide one of the ones that EPA is considering reregistering for use in the United States?

Message

From: Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com [Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com]
Sent: 7/28/2017 8:30:33 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Thanks, you too!

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From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Friday, July 28, 2017 4:30 PM
To: Flitter, Emily R. (Reuters News)
Cc: Daguillard, Robert
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Got it, Emily. Have a great weekend.

Enesta Jones
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"The root of all joy is gratefulness."

From: Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com [mailto:Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com]
Sent: Friday, July 28, 2017 4:28 PM
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Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Many thanks, Enesta – one more thing. My editors want to attribute ALL the info in this chain to a specific person, not just "An EPA spokesman." The story is too in-depth not to have a name attached, they say.

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Hi,

Some follow-up questions with a deadline of Monday at 3pm:

1. **Who** conducted testing on volatility for new dicamba formulations? EPA scientists? Monsanto? A private contractor?
2. **Can we see the data from these tests?**
3. Were the tests independent from Monsanto?
4. Does the EPA's two-year registration, which is an unusually short period of time, mean someone inside the agency suspected there might be problems?

Best,

Emily

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Again, for attribution to "an agency spokesperson," please.

EPA placed time limits on the registration to allow the Agency to either let it expire or to easily make the necessary changes in the registration if there are problems with resistant weeds or pesticide drift.

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analysts carefully review these data to determine whether to register (license) a pesticide product or use and whether specific restrictions are necessary. EPA goes through an intensive evaluation process, looking at the human health and environmental risks.

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To: Flitter, Emily R. (Reuters News)
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Message

From: Catherine Clabby Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: 12/8/2017 1:52:45 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Request for information regarding new PFAS programming

Thank you Enesta.

Cathy

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On Dec 8, 2017, at 8:47 AM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Catherine, I'm looking into this.

On Dec 8, 2017, at 8:47 AM, Catherine Clabby < Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) > wrote:

Hello Enesta.

Cathy Clabby here, from *North Carolina Health News*. You and I have corresponded before regarding concerns about PFAS pollution originating from the Chemours chemical plant complex in our state.

I'm writing about two things.

I'm requesting the written description of the EPA "cross-agency" initiative described here that is relevant to this contamination.

Also, what steps can I take to make sure that I am on any press mailings from EPA activity regarding PFAS, in North Carolina and elsewhere in the country.

Best wishes,
Cathy

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On Oct 18, 2017, at 2:53 PM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Catherine, the responses to your follow-up questions are below. Please attribute them to an agency spokesperson.

1. You heard Dr. Strynar say that he took a more difficult path to characterize the unknown PFAS compounds in the Cape Fear River. That's because if he had obtained information that DuPont had submitted to EPA regarding what it was producing, he could have faced limitations on what he could have made public.

Is there any effort afoot within the agency to change that practice so that EPA scientists can obtain information filed with the agency when studying emerging contaminants without facing limitations on public disclosure about what chemicals are being released by manufacturing facilities? PFAS were of enough concern that EPA required sampling for them as part of the 3rd unregulated contaminant monitoring rule. (See list of compounds in screen grab below.)

Our process for protection of and access to materials claimed as confidential business information (CBI) is consistent with the framework laid out under the Toxic Substances Control Act. Provisions are in place for federal employees to access CBI if needed for the required performance of their jobs.

2. Will EPA continue to support Dr. Strynar's efforts to look for and identify unregulated chemicals released by industrial sites during the Trump Administration?

Yes. One of Administrator Pruitt's priorities for EPA is to provide support to the states. The work EPA is currently doing on GenX in NC is at the request of NC DEQ.

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On Oct 17, 2017, at 12:23 PM, Catherine Clabby < Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) > wrote:

Thank you Enesta. I'm hoping I'm on the press release list if and when the EPA does make an announcement on this matter or anything else related to PFAS contamination in North Carolina and our region.

Thank you again for your swift help.

Cathy

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On Oct 17, 2017, at 12:20 PM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Catherine, attributable to an agency spokesperson:

No new information at this time.

On Oct 17, 2017, at 9:40 AM, Catherine Clabby
<Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)> wrote:

Hi Ernesta. Is there any news yet regarding the Chemours investigation we've corresponded about before? Is it finished? Likely to be finished soon?

If done, what are the results?

My deadline is Wednesday this week.

Best wishes,
Cathy Clabby

On Sep 7, 2017, at 7:18 PM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

> Hi Catherine, for attribution to an EPA spokesperson:
>
> The investigation is still ongoing. It's EPA policy not to discuss ongoing investigations.

> **From:** Catherine Clabby
> [mailto:Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
> **Sent:** Thursday, September 07, 2017 3:17 PM
> **To:** Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** Re: Checking in for update re: Chemours PFAS compounds released in Cape Fear River
>
> Thank you!
>
> Tomorrow is my deadline. Sunday really but I hope you do not work in weekends!
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>> wrote:
>>
>> Hello Enesta.

You helped me earlier this summer regarding getting information about EPA's investigation regarding Chemours Co's compliance with a 2009 order EPA issued under the TSCA regarding the production of GenX. (Please see email thread below.) Thank you again for that!

I'm checking in to learn about the status of that investigation you described.

At what stage is the probe now?

Has EPA found evidence that Chemours did not comply with the order.

Does EPA expect to take any regulatory action against Chemours or DuPont on this matter?

I'm happy to talk by phone if that is best.

Best wishes,
Cathy Clabby
NC Health News

I'm just back from a summer trip. In case it is of use to you, here is our most recent story on the issues of GenX and wider PFAS and PFOA contamination in North Carolina.

https://www.northcarolinahealthnews.org/2017/08/17/genx-pollution-what-happened-when/

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On Jul 12, 2017, at 3:21 PM, Jones, Enesta

<Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Catherine,

Please attribute our response below to an EPA spokesperson:

EPA has initiated an investigation into Chemours's compliance with a 2009 order issued under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) for the production of GenX. This investigation will allow EPA to determine whether Chemours is in compliance with requirements of the order to control releases to the environment at the Fayetteville, N.C., facility. EPA is also reviewing the additional toxicity data submitted by the company, as required under the consent order, and updating the risk assessment using the additional toxicity data specific to GenX. At the request of the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (NCDEQ), scientists in EPA's Office of Research and Development are conducting an independent

laboratory analysis of four rounds of water samples being collected by NCDEQ at 13 locations in the Cape Fear River in June and July.

Under the terms of the Consent Order, for operations in the United States, DuPont (Chemours) is required to recover and capture (destroy) or recycle the chemical from all the process wastewater effluent streams and air emissions (point source and fugitive) at an overall efficiency rate of 99% (i.e., 99% of the chemical can't be released into the environment). Furthe r, under the terms of the Consent Order, Dupont may only distribute the chemical to those customers, such as manufacturers and processers, that can also achieve this percentage of efficiency or destruction.

From: Catherine Clabby

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Sent: Tuesday, July 11, 2017 9:27 PM
To: Lincoln, Larry <Lincoln.Larry@epa.gov>; Marraccini, Davina <Marraccini.Davina@epa.gov>
Subject: Reporter's

query about GenX issue in Cape Fear

Hi Larry and Davina. I'm a reporter at *NC Health News*. Jamie Krietzer at NC DEQ said you would be the right pios at EPA to contact regarding questions regarding the ongoing inquiry to the discovery of PFOA replacement chemicals in the Cape Fear River downstream of the Chemours' Faetteville Works.

For a story I'm filing on Wednesday, here are my questions:

What is the scope of EPA's investigation into the discovery of the compounds in the Cape Fear?

If the EPA determines that Chemours plant did not comply with 2009 consent order with EPA that strictly limited release of PFOA replacement chemicals from its GenX operation in Fayetteville, what range of penalties could EPA impose on the company?

Chemours officials have told NC officials that the compounds did not come from its GenX operations. Instead they came

from another site at Fayetteville Works, possibly starting back in the 1980s. Does that appear to be plausible?

Given the limits of release imposed by the consent order, did Chemours have any legal standing to release the PFOA replacements from anywhere at Fayetteville Works in the river?

How long as EPA been aware that that PFOA replacements were being released from the industrial property?

I'm happy to speak by phone if that is best for you.

Thank you in advance for your help.

Best wishes,
Cathy Clabby

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Perfluorinated Compounds: EPA Method 537		
perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS) 1763-23-1	0.04	Surfactant or emulsifier; used in fire-fighting foam, circuit board etching acids, alkaline cleaners, floor polish, and as a pesticide active ingredient for insect bait traps; U.S. manufacture of PFOS phased out in 2002; however, PFOS still generated incidentally
perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) 335-67-1	0.02	Perfluorinated aliphatic carboxylic acid; used for its emulsifier and surfactant properties in or as fluoropolymers (such as Teflon), fire-fighting foams, cleaners, cosmetics, greases and lubricants, paints, polishes, adhesives and photographic films
perfluorononanoic acid (PFNA) 375-95-1	0.02	Manmade chemical; used in products to make them stain, grease, heat and water resistant
perfluorohexanesulfonic acid (PFHxS) 355-46-4	0.03	Manmade chemical; used in products to make them stain, grease, heat and water resistant
perfluoroheptanoic acid (PFHpA) 375-85-9	0.01	Manmade chemical; used in products to make them stain, grease, heat and water resistant
perfluorobutanesulfonic acid (PFBS) 375-73-5	0.09	Manmade chemical; used in products to make them stain, grease, heat and water resistant

Catherine Clabby

Catherine Clabby (Sr. Environmental Reporter) is a science journalist and editor who has worked in newspaper, magazine, and digital book publishing. She is editor and co-author of *An Evolutionary War: Humanity Versus Malaria*, a digital, multimedia book under development. Catherine was senior editor of *EO Wilson's Life on Earth*, the digital-only biology textbook series produced in 2014. Much of her written and multimedia content for *LOE* focused on ecology. An alum fellow of the year-long MIT Knight Science Journalism Program, she is a former senior editor at *American Scientist* magazine in Research Triangle Park and a former science reporter at the *News & Observer* in Raleigh, N.C.

Message

From: Sam Brock [sam.brock@argusmedia.com]
Sent: 12/6/2017 4:58:33 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Media request: states ozone suit

I am glad to hear it. Thanks.

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, December 06, 2017 11:58 AM
To: Sam Brock
Cc: Press
Subject: Re: Media request: states ozone suit

Hi Sam, I had a wonderful Thanksgiving. Hope you did as well.

For attribution to an EPA spokesperson:

It's EPA policy not to comment on pending litigation.

On Dec 6, 2017, at 11:55 AM, Sam Brock <sam.brock@argusmedia.com> wrote:

Hi Enesta,

Hope all is well and that you had a nice Thanksgiving. I am obliged to ask if EPA would like to provide a comment regarding the attorneys general of 15 states suing the agency for not issuing the final ozone designations for the 2015 ozone standards. Could you send over whatever you can on the issue?

Thanks for your time.

Best,
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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/25/2017 6:51:41 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]; Strauss, Linda [Strauss.Linda@epa.gov]
CC: Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Robert Out Early - Tuesday PM
Attachments: RE: BNA (Pat Rizzuto); Lautenberg rulemaking ; Alsea study.pdf

Pesticides

The Intercept (Sharon Lerner) [Received 7/25] - OPEN – Alsea and miscarriages in Oregon – discussing reporter's request for comment on 1970s case with pesticides program and enforcement branch – DDL 7/25 **Told the program today is an unbelievably tight deadline, as Sharon is referencing a case that looks to me more than 30 years old. Waiting to hear from the programs, but we may well need an extension. See attached PDF.**

Toxic Chemicals

BNA (Pat Rizzuto) [Received 7/20] – OPEN – TCE-related rulemaking – question in program – in program – DDL 7/20 **This one may prove a bit confusing as Pat sent three separate inquiries last Thursday. Relevant text in purple in attached mail.**

Scientific American (Annie Sneed) [Received 7/17] – OPEN – Reporter requesting interview on final TSCA framework rules – discussing with OPPT – DDL 7/25 **You got us the extension until today.**

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Tuesday, July 25, 2017 2:38 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Strauss, Linda <Strauss.Linda@epa.gov>
Cc: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>; Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Robert Out Early - Tuesday PM

What's open on OCSPP that requires action tonight? Anything?

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On Jul 25, 2017, at 2:31 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

All, I'll be leaving the office early today. After 3:15 PM, thanks for forwarding inquiry responses to Enesta Jones (OCSPP); or Julia Valentine (ORD); and copying me in.

Best, R.

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Message

From: Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]
Sent: 12/21/2017 4:52:58 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]; Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
CC: AO OPA Media Relations [AO_OPA_Media_Relations@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Press request on C2P2

I'm fine if one of you wants to take the other OLEM stuff today. Clips and OWC are keeping me really busy.

Julia P. Valentine
EPA Office of Public Affairs
202.564.2663

On Dec 21, 2017, at 10:42 AM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Got it.

From: David LaRoss <dlaross@iwpnews.com>
Date: December 21, 2017 at 10:41:07 AM EST
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Re: Press request on C2P2

I'm forwarding this request to the general press mailbox as Tricia is out of the office. Thanks for your help!

-------- Forwarded Message --------

Subject: Re: Press request on C2P2
Date: Thu, 21 Dec 2017 10:35:24 -0500
From: David LaRoss <dlaross@iwpnews.com>
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>

Tricia -

Thanks! I've updated the story, but would also like to follow up if I could -- what action or report does EPA see as addressing the second IG recommendation? Is it part of the RCRA coal ash rule?

David LaRoss
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On 12/20/2017 4:11 PM, Lynn, Tricia wrote:

David—

For attribution to "an EPA spokesperson:"

The Agency appreciates working with stakeholders on the responsible beneficial use of CCR, as well as other non-hazardous industrial secondary materials. We fully addressed

the concerns that had been raised by EPA's IG. The Agency has not made a decision to revive the Coal Combustion Products Partnership (C2P2) Program.

Best,

Tricia

Tricia Lynn
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From: David LaRoss [mailto:dlaross@iwpnews.com]
Sent: Tuesday, December 19, 2017 1:09 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Press request on C2P2

I'm working on a story for *Inside EPA* about environmentalists' letter yesterday urging EPA not to quickly revive the Coal Combustion Partnership Program (C2P2) as industry has requested, and signaled is likely. Does EPA have a comment on the potential for reviving the program?

Deadline is close of business -- we may post the story earlier in the afternoon, but we'll update it with any comment received from EPA today.

--
David LaRoss
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Message

From: Austin Alonzo [AAlonzo@wattglobal.com]
Sent: 7/1/2019 6:23:36 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Subject: Press inquiry: WATT PoultryUSA - PAA exposure

Robert,

Thank you for your reply!

Have a great week and a relaxing holiday,
Austin

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From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Monday, July 1, 2019 12:37 PM
To: Austin Alonzo <AAlonzo@wattglobal.com>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Subject: Press inquiry: WATT PoultryUSA - PAA exposure

Mr. Alonzo, for attribution to "an EPA Spokesperson," please:

EPA's Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) regulates PAA used to disinfect hard surfaces under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act. OPP registers pesticides based on a wide variety of potential human health and environmental effects associated with use of the product. A company that wants to produce the pesticide must provide data from studies that comply with our testing guidelines. In a process called registration review, OPP reevaluates all registered pesticides at least every 15 years to ensure that they continue to meet statutory safety standards.

The following link provides information on the PAA data that EPA is requiring in support of its registration review. These data requirements include information on potential worker exposure to peracetic acid in poultry plants. More information regarding EPA's activities to evaluate peracetic acid and other peroxy compounds can also be found in the registration review Final Work Plan.

The Peroxy Compounds Task Force (PCTF) has been working with us to create a protocol to provide EPA with data regarding worker exposure in poultry plants. PCTF has also been working with The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) on this protocol.

Background:

The regulation of products like PAA falls under the jurisdiction of multiple federal agencies and under various federal statutes. In poultry plants, PAA used to clean carcasses is an FDA use, while cleaning the surfaces within the facility is a use regulated by EPA.

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On Jun 24, 2019, at 3:41 PM, Austin Alonzo <AAlonzo@wattglobal.com> wrote:

Thank you.

Best regards,
Austin

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From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 24, 2019 2:33 PM
To: Austin Alonzo <AAlonzo@wattglobal.com>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Subject: Press inquiry: WATT PoultryUSA - PAA exposure

Good afternoon and thanks,

We'll try to meet your Friday deadline.

Cheers, R.

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From: Austin Alonzo <AAlonzo@wattglobal.com>
Sent: Monday, June 24, 2019 2:51 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Press inquiry: WATT PoultryUSA - PAA exposure
Importance: High

To whom it may concern:

Good day.

My name is Austin Alonzo and I am the editor of WATT PoultryUSA. We are a trade publication focused on the broiler and turkey industries.

I am preparing an article about the use of peracetic acid (PAA) in the poultry industry and I was curious if the EPA maintains any regulations or standards regarding the use of PAA and or an exposure limit for workers in poultry plants. A contact of mine at the CDC/NIOSH/OD said I should get in touch with your agency to ask this question.

I would appreciate an answer as soon as possible. However, my deadline is at the end of this week (Friday, June 28.)

Thanks for any help you can offer,
Austin

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 6/28/2019 7:25:41 PM
To: Hunt, Haley (NBCUniversal) [Haley.Hunt@nbcuni.com]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Re: URGENT: REPORTER REQUEST ON GLYPHOSATE: Questions for article about glyphosate

Haley, the following is for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please. NB, we'll get you a response to the question about glyphosate tolerances as soon as we get it. I hope and trust these answers will prove helpful in the meantime.

1. How does the EPA react to the EWG's findings about General Mills products?

The EWG samples listed in the linked article are all well below the EPA tolerance. **Residues of glyphosate on any food or feed item are safe for consumers if they are below the established tolerances.** The presence of a detectible pesticide residue does not mean the residue is at an unsafe level. EPA has established a tolerance (maximum legal residue level) for residues of glyphosate in oats at 30 parts per million (ppm) or 30,000 parts per billion (ppb).

Due to its widespread use, trace amounts of glyphosate residues may be found in various fresh fruits, vegetables, cereals, and other food and beverage commodities. **However, these trace amounts are not of concern for the consumer.**

If residues are found above the established tolerance level, the commodity will be subject to seizure by the government.

EPA has concluded that glyphosate is not likely to be carcinogenic to humans. EPA considered a significantly more extensive and relevant dataset than the International Agency on the Research for Cancer (IARC). EPA's database includes studies submitted to support registration of glyphosate and studies EPA identified in the open literature.

EPA's cancer classification is consistent with other international expert panels and regulatory authorities, including the Canadian Pest Management Regulatory Agency, Australian Pesticide and Veterinary Medicines Authority, European Food Safety Authority, European Chemicals Agency, German Federal Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, New Zealand Environmental Protection Authority, and the Food Safety Commission of Japan.

2. **What action will the EPA take to insure that consumers are safe from this chemical?**

EPA evaluates all pesticides and all new uses of a registered pesticide before it may be sold, and ensures that it meets the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act registration standard of no unreasonable harm to human health and the environment and a reasonable certainty of no harm from residues on food when used according to label directions. The EPA relies on the best science available and places high value on transparency in decision-making. We review relevant studies and data and take our findings to independent expert panels.

Glyphosate is currently being reevaluated under the registration review program. Registration review is a reevaluation program that EPA is statutorily required to complete every 15 years for all pesticide active ingredients. This reevaluation program ensures that as new information becomes available, products in the marketplace can still be used safely without unreasonable risks to the public or the environment. In the course of the registration review, the Agency has accepted comments from the public on the glyphosate draft human health and ecological risk assessments. On May 6, 2019, EPA issued a Proposed Interim Registration Review Decision for public comment.

4. **Can you explain more about what Toxicity Category III means in terms of glyphosate?**

There are four toxicity categories, with Category I being the most toxic and IV being the least. For more information on the categories, see https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2015-03/documents/chap-07-jul-2014.pdf.

Glyphosate is categorized as having low acute toxicity for the oral, dermal, and inhalation routes (Toxicity Categories III or IV). It is a mild eye irritant (Toxicity Category III), slight skin irritant (Toxicity Category IV), and is not a dermal sensitizer.

More information about toxicity can be found in the glyphosate human health risk assessment.

Cheers, R.

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From: Hunt, Haley (NBCUniversal) <Haley.Hunt@nbcuni.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 25, 2019 12:08 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: URGENT: REPORTER REQUEST ON GLYPHOSATE: Questions for article about glyphosate

Okay. Any estimate on when you can send them over?

Thank you,
Haley

From: "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Date: Tuesday, June 25, 2019 at 12:06 PM
To: "Hunt, Haley (NBCUniversal)" <Haley.Hunt@nbcuni.com>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: URGENT: REPORTER REQUEST ON GLYPHOSATE: Questions for article about glyphosate

Thanks, Haley. Still waiting for a final.

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On Jun 25, 2019, at 12:03 PM, Hunt, Haley (NBCUniversal) <Haley.Hunt@nbcuni.com> wrote:

Hi Robert,

I need to move forward with publishing this article, and cannot extend my deadline any longer to receive these responses.
Please send over any information you have as of right now. If not, I will have to send my article to my editor without any comment from the EPA.

Thank you,
Haley

From: "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Date: Monday, June 24, 2019 at 6:45 PM
To: "Hunt, Haley (NBCUniversal)" <Haley.Hunt@nbcuni.com>
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: URGENT: REPORTER REQUEST ON GLYPHOSATE: Questions for article about glyphosate

OK. Thx.

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On Jun 24, 2019, at 6:22 PM, Hunt, Haley (NBCUniversal) <Haley.Hunt@nbcuni.com> wrote:

Hi Robert,

I am heading out of the office now.
If you would be able to send the responses before 12pm tomorrow, or have time for a phone call in the morning, that would be great.

Thank you,
Haley

From: "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Date: Monday, June 24, 2019 at 2:37 PM
To: "Hunt, Haley (NBCUniversal)" <Haley.Hunt@nbcuni.com>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Re: URGENT: REPORTER REQUEST ON GLYPHOSATE: Questions for article about glyphosate

Good morning Haley,

I wanted to keep you posted as much as possible. We're hoping to get back to you by the end of the day, but I'll keep you posted if we have to push back to tomorrow. Sorry for any inconvenience, but we'll get you good info.

Cheers, R.

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From: Hunt, Haley (NBCUniversal) <Haley.Hunt@nbcuni.com>
Sent: Monday, June 24, 2019 10:04 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: URGENT: REPORTER REQUEST ON GLYPHOSATE: Questions for article about glyphosate

Hello Robert,

Yes, I am on deadline. I need to have these responses by early afternoon today if that is at all possible.

Thank you,
Haley

From: "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Date: Friday, June 21, 2019 at 6:11 PM
To: "Mears, Mary" <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>
Cc: "Hunt, Haley (NBCUniversal)" <Haley.Hunt@nbcuni.com>, Press <Press@epa.gov>, "Strauss, Linda" <Strauss.Linda@epa.gov>, "Grantham, Nancy" <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>, "Rodriguez, Elias" <Rodriguez.Elias@epa.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: URGENT: REPORTER REQUEST ON GLYPHOSATE: Questions for article about glyphosate

Good evening Haley and thanks to Mary for forwarding. Are you on deadline?

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On Jun 21, 2019, at 5:47 PM, Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov> wrote:

I am so sorry, Haley,
My colleague Elias Rodriguez said you called, so I looked and this ended up in my junk mail box. You need to reach out to our Press@epa.gov box (I cc:ed them here), as this is an issue handled out of our DC office. So sorry for the delay!
Mary

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From: Hunt, Haley (NBCUniversal) <Haley.Hunt@nbcuni.com>
Sent: Friday, June 21, 2019 11:35 AM
To: Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>
Subject: Questions for article about glyphosate

Hello Mary,

I am writing an article for NBC about the EWG's recent findings: https://www.ewg.org/childrenshealth/monsanto-weedkiller-still-contaminates-foods-marketed-to-children/
I wanted to reach out to hear from the EPA, given that your glyphosate limit differs from the EWG's limit.

1. How does the EPA react to the EWG's findings about General Mills products?
2. What action will the EPA take to insure that consumers are safe from this chemical?
3. Why has the EPA's legal limit for glyphosate increased over the years? (was 0.1ppm in 1993).
4. Can you explain more about what Toxicity Category III means in terms of glyphosate?

I am also available today to speak over the phone.

Thank you for your help,
Haley Hunt

Message

From: Abboud, Michael [abboud.michael@epa.gov]
Sent: 6/27/2019 5:20:07 PM
To: Sauerhage, Maggie [Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov]; Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: For Review: interview with Salt Lake Tribune on cleanup database

Yes.

From: Sauerhage, Maggie
Sent: Thursday, June 27, 2019 1:08 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: For Review: interview with Salt Lake Tribune on cleanup database

Checking on this, ok to proceed with scheduling an interview?

Yue Stella Yu of the Salt Lake Tribune is hoping to speak with an EPA expert on the Cleanups in My Community Database. The interview would be for attribution and the interviewee would be Joe Macula who is the OLEM data expert on this topic. Steven and Peter have approved. Ok to set up?

From the reporter, Stella:
The purpose is not only for me to understand this database and use it, but how to explain it to my readers. Therefore, I do need to attribute whatever I learn about this database back to the EPA, because I can't be a more authoritative voice than the EPA.

At the very least, I hope you can provide me with the metadata of this database, if that makes sense. That might answer a lot of questions I have in mind, and it might save you time too.

For some records I have specifically about Utah, I can contact the property owners for further answers. I have two general questions you can probably answer for me: *among the records where cleanup is recorded as required*, why would some records have a redevelopment completion date but no cleanup completion date? And why would some records where cleanup appears to be accomplished but the cleaned up acre column is blank?

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 6/26/2019 9:22:52 PM
To: Sonja Begemann [sbegemann@Farmjournal.com]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: SONJA: Your questions for US EPA.

Sonja, for attribution to U.S. EPA or "an EPA Spokesperson," please:

How to protect the corn earworm traits on the market and how they differ from corn rootworm traits.

1. **How many corn earworm traits are there?**

There are five Bt traits available for corn earworm control in corn: Cry1Ab, Cry1A.105, Cry2Ab2, Vip3A, Cry1F. These traits (and Cry1Ac) are also used in Bt cotton varieties for control of corn earworm, known as cotton bollworm on cotton.

2. **Are they "stronger" than corn rootworm traits? How do they differ?**

No. The Bt traits available for both corn rootworm and corn earworm are all considered "non-high" dose traits. The corn earworm and corn rootworm traits differ in the types of proteins that provide control of the pests. While all the traits come from the Bt soil bacteria, corn earworm is controlled by proteins in Cry1, Cry2, and Vip families whereas corn rootworm is controlled by proteins in the Cry3 and Cry34/35 family.

3. **Is there any documented resistance in the U.S.?**

Yes, of the Lepidopteran pests, resistance has been reported for corn earworm for the Cry1 and Cry2 families in the southern and southeastern U.S. Resistance has also evolved for several other insects, including the southwestern corn borer, fall armyworm, and western bean cutworm. For additional information on documented cases of resistance, please refer to EPA's White Paper on Lepidopteran resistance issues developed for the 2018 FIFRA Scientific Advisory Panel Meeting.

4. **Do farmers need to consider insecticide partners to protect the longevity of the trait?**

Farmers need to employ tactics of insect resistance management (IRM) and integrated pest management (IPM) as appropriate to control this pest. It is generally advisable that farmers spray for pest control when economic thresholds are triggered.

Does refuge-in-a-bag really slow the progression of resistance?

5. **There are mixed views. What's the best method to slow resistance?**

Compliance with block refuge technology (RIB) has historically been low in areas with corn earworm resistance and RIB technology provides built-in refuge compliance. However, block refuge technology, when followed, is more effective for ear-feeding pests, like corn earworm, than the RIB technology. The best way to slow resistance is to comply with refuge requirements and employ IPM with IRM tactics. For a more detailed assessment of RIB and resistance management, please refer to EPA's White Paper.

6. **How long has refuge been required by EPA?**

EPA first mandated structured refuges for Bt corn in 1999. The first approval of RIB, for corn rootworm, was in 2009.

7. **Why does refuge requirements differ in cotton growing states?**

Cotton and corn share the same pest, known as corn earworm in corn and cotton bollworm in cotton. This pest moves between cotton and corn, has multiple generations per year and overwinters in cotton regions. Bt corn and Bt cotton are both grown in these areas and expose corn earworm/cotton bollworm to Bt traits throughout the growing season. For these reasons, structured refuge requirements for corn are higher in cotton-growing areas due to a greater risk of resistance.

8. **What specific pests are targeted through refuge?**

Refuges are designed for the major target pests of Bt corn, including European corn borer, southwestern corn borer, and corn earworm. Due to the constant exposure of pests to Bt proteins in Bt crops, maintaining a population of insects susceptible to the Bt traits in a refuge that can mate with insects resistant to Bt traits is critical. All pests targeted by Bt benefit from implementation of a refuge.

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On Jun 21, 2019, at 1:17 PM, Sonja Begemann <sbegemann@Farmjournal.com> wrote:

Thanks, Robert!

Can I get an interview or written response by EOB Wednesday?

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From: Robert Daguillard <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Date: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 at 10:26 AM
To: Sonja Begemann <sbegemann@Farmjournal.com>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: SONJA: Your questions for US EPA.

Good morning Sonja and thanks for reaching out – and for the questions,

Let me see what we can do for you.

Cheers, R.

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From: Sonja Begemann <sbegemann@Farmjournal.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 10:32 AM
To: Mendelsohn, Mike <Mendelsohn.Mike@epa.gov>
Subject: Interview with Farm Journal
Importance: High

Good Morning, Mike-

I am the seeds and production editor at Farm Journal. I'm reaching out because I would like EPA's expertise in a couple upcoming stories concerning insects and trying to minimize their resistance. The

first story will focus on corn earworm and the second focuses on what refuge—structured or RIB—does to slow the onset of resistance (or what it does to resistance if not slow down).

Here are the topics/questions:

- How to protect the corn earworm traits on the market and how they differ from corn rootworm traits.
    - How many corn earworm traits are there?
    - Are they "stronger" than corn rootworm traits? How do they differ?
    - Is there any documented resistance in the U.S.?
    - Do farmers need to consider insecticide partners to protect the longevity of the trait?
- Does refuge-in-a-bag really slow the progression of resistance?
    - There are mixed views. What's the best method to slow resistance?
    - How long has refuge been required by EPA?
    - Why does refuge requirements differ in cotton growing states?
    - What specific pests are targeted through refuge?

Would you be able to help connect me with someone later this week or early next week for a 30-40 minute interview for both of these stories. **You (and the person interviewed) will have an opportunity to review your quotes in the story prior to publishing.**

Thank you,

Sonja Begemann
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Message

From: Sean Reilly [sreilly@eenews.net]
Sent: 12/20/2017 2:47:39 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: D. C. Circuit order on remaining attainment designations for 2015 ozone NAAQS

It's a judgment call depending on the story and circumstances. but, ideally, my preference is for *every* comment from an EPA spokesperson to be on the record and for attribution. As I recall when we met for coffee back in 2015, you told me that getting attribution for a specific quote would never be a problem. Has that changed?

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, December 20, 2017 9:41 AM
To: Sean Reilly <sreilly@eenews.net>
Subject: Re: D. C. Circuit order on remaining attainment designations for 2015 ozone NAAQS

Hey Sean, how do you choose with stories need attribution?

On Dec 20, 2017, at 9:40 AM, Sean Reilly <sreilly@eenews.net> wrote:

Hi Enesta:

If we're doing to use this, we need to have it on the record, attributable to a named spokesperson. Otherwise, the story will say that EPA spokespersons declined to comment for the record.

Sean

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, December 20, 2017 9:33 AM
To: Sean Reilly <sreilly@eenews.net>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: D. C. Circuit order on remaining attainment designations for 2015 ozone NAAQS

Hey Sean, attributable to an EPA spokesperson:

EPA is reviewing the order.

EPA has already taken action to designate 85 percent of the country as meeting the standards, and is in the process of working with states to designate the remaining areas.

On Dec 20, 2017, at 9:10 AM, Sean Reilly <sreilly@eenews.net> wrote:

Hello:

Let me know if you have any comment on the attached order, requiring EPA to report by Jan. 12 when it will file a final rule that establishes the remaining designations. My deadline is 11:45 this morning.

Thanks,

Sean

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 1/16/2018 12:36:55 AM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: Fwd: Question re: chlorpyrifos label

FYI

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Begin forwarded message:

> **From:** Anna Casey <annacasey@investigatemidwest.org>
> **Date:** January 11, 2018 at 4:59:40 PM EST
> **To:** "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
> **Subject: Re: Question re: chlorpyrifos label**
>
> We're hoping to publish early next week. I realize I'm contacting you late in the day, but if you could get a response by Tuesday afternoon that would be great.
>
> Have a good weekend,
>
> Anna
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> On Thu, Jan 11, 2018 at 3:41 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:
>
> > Thanks, Anna. How late can we get back to you? I imagine you're looking to publish soon, right?
> >
> > I'm out of the office tomorrow and we're closed Monday for the federal holiday. Should you and I reconnect next week?
> >
> > **From:** Anna Casey [mailto:annacasey@investigatemidwest.org]
> > **Sent:** Thursday, January 11, 2018 4:39 PM
> > **To:** Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
> > **Subject:** Re: Question re: chlorpyrifos label
> >
> > Thank you for the your timely response.

I have just two follow up questions.

Regarding the buffer zone - an EPA document titled "Revised Human Health Risk Assessment" from November 3, 2016 stated the following:

Non-Occupational Spray Drift Exposure and Risk Assessment

A spray drift (from treatment of agricultural fields) assessment was conducted for this assessment. Adult dermal and children's (1 < 2 year old) dermal and incidental oral risk estimates from indirect exposure to chlorpyrifos from spray drift result in risk estimates of concern at the field edge. All scenarios require buffer distances of > 300 feet to be below the level of concern.

I'm assuming that since the recommendations in the risk assessment were not adopted, the buffer on the label remained the same. Could you provide any more information about how the E.P.A arrived at the 10 - 100 foot buffer?

And finally, did the E.P.A reference any specific studies that contradicted the conclusions made in the proposal about chlorpyrifos?

Sincerely,

Anna

On Wed, Jan 10, 2018 at 4:45 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

> Anna, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:
>
> "EPA is confident that pesticide application buffer zones are protective of human health and the environment, especially with regard to sensitive areas." – EPA spokesperson.

Background: The minimum buffer is 10 feet, but there are larger buffers for some aerial and airblast applications.

Chlorpyrifos has been used as a pesticide since 1965, and is proven to be an effective control of foliage- and soil-borne insect pests for a variety of crops including corn, soybeans, fruit and nut trees, and non-agricultural uses including golf courses, and roach and ant bait stations. Congress has mandated that registration review be completed by the statutory deadline of October 1, 2022. The public record lays out serious scientific concerns and substantive process gaps in the proposal submitted in the petition to ban the pesticide. Reliable data, overwhelming in both quantity and quality, contradicts the reliance on – and misapplication of – studies to establish the end points and conclusions used to rationalize the proposal

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On Jan 4, 2018, at 2:40 PM, Anna Casey <annacasey@investigatemidwest.org> wrote:

> Hi Mr. Daguillard,
>
> Thank you for the prompt response. We're hoping to publish the story early next week.
>
> As I mentioned, I'm seeking more information on the chlorpyrifos label.
>
> The story that I'm working on is related to buffer zone regulations around schools. In Illinois, where we're based, we do not have any additional restrictions beyond what is on the EPA-approved label. It's my understanding that the buffer on the chlorpyrifos label is 10 feet. Some are concerned that the label does not go far enough to protect sensitive areas (like schools) that are near agricultural fields. I would like to include a statement from the EPA regarding the chemical's safety, and the efficacy of the label.

Feel free to give me a call at your earliest convenience, or respond by email. I'm happy to answer additional questions by phone (my cell is the best way to reach me).

Thanks again,

Anna

On Thu, Jan 4, 2018 at 12:49 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Dear Ms. Casey,

Thanks for reaching out. Also, are you on deadline? Happy to discuss.

Regards, R.

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From: Anna Casey [mailto:annacasey@investigatemidwest.org]
Sent: Thursday, January 04, 2018 1:12 PM
To: Friedman, Dana <Friedman.Dana@epa.gov>
Subject: Question re: chlorpyrifos label

Hi Ms. Friedman,

I saw that you were listed as the contact for the page on chlorpyrifos: https://iaspub.epa.gov/apex/pesticides/f?p=CHEMICALSEARCH:3::NO:1,3,31,7,12,25:P3_XCHEMICAL_ID:1822

Do you know where I can find the most recent EPA-approved label? I was also wondering about the buffer zone restriction. One of the product labels said that the buffer zone around "sensitive areas" was 10 feet. Is that correct?

Thank you,

Anna

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Message

From: Hackel, Angela [Hackel.Angela@epa.gov]
Sent: 6/21/2019 7:14:53 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Senators to EPA: Stop Undermining Key Chemical Safety Law

Hi Enesta,

In terms of an email back should I say that the responses should be attributed to the EPA?

From: Abboud, Michael
Sent: Friday, June 21, 2019 3:13 PM
To: Hackel, Angela <Hackel.Angela@epa.gov>; Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Senators to EPA: Stop Undermining Key Chemical Safety Law

Ok to send.

From: Hackel, Angela
Sent: Friday, June 21, 2019 2:54 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Senators to EPA: Stop Undermining Key Chemical Safety Law

Hi Everyone,

Maggie sent up the below response yesterday for review.

Is this okay to send back to reporter?

Thanks,

Angela

From: "Sauerhage, Maggie" <Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov>
Date: June 20, 2019 at 11:10:55 AM EDT
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: For Review: Two interview requests, on deadline this week

Below are responses to her tire crumb questions, previously used/approved language. Ok to send?

I see the draft report was sent for external peer-review in May 2018 and the first part of it was expected to be published in early 2019. Who is reviewing it and why is it delayed?

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Do you have an estimated publication date? Do you have an estimated publication date for the second part of the report?

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

What is the next step after the full report is out?

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

In the absence of this report, would EPA advise that parents consider crumb rubber fields and playgrounds to be safe for their children?

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Emily Holden <emily.holden@theguardian.com>
Sent: Friday, June 21, 2019 2:45 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Senators to EPA: Stop Undermining Key Chemical Safety Law

Sent over for addition, thanks.

Separately, I have a request in about EPA/CDC's delayed study on the safety of waste tires used in playgrounds. I can send the email again if needed. Has anyone seen it?

Thanks!

On Fri, Jun 21, 2019 at 1:50 PM Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

> Good afternoon Emily,
>
> For attribution to "an EPA Spokesperson," please:
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> As part of EPA's efforts to fully implement TSCA, Assistant Administrator Alexandra Dapolito Dunn will be briefing house and senate staff today. And we look forward to hearing their comments and recommendations in person.

For information on EPA's accomplishment under Lautenberg, read the blog on EPA's accomplishments by Alexandra Dapolito Dunn, Assistant Administrator for the Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention: https://blog.epa.gov/2019/06/17/lautenberg-chemical-safety-for-the-21st-century-act-three-years-of-safer-chemicals/

EPA has diligently worked to implement the first major update to an environmental statute in 20 years, making impressive progress and meeting all major deadlines - while ensuring the safety of chemicals in the marketplace, protecting human health and the environment, and advancing the Agency's core mission. EPA has increased transparency in our actions, including making available important information to protect public health and increasing stakeholder involvement in decision-making and has relied on the best available science.

Recent milestones include:

- Finalized rule to prohibit the manufacture (including import), processing, and distribution of methylene chloride in all paint removers for consumer use.
- Enhanced transparency by providing stakeholders and the public with more information on new chemicals undergoing review and how we conduct our reviews
- Strengthened asbestos regulation to close a dangerous loophole and protect consumers
- Selected 40 chemicals to begin prioritization process
- Identified chemicals being actively manufactured, processed and imported in the U.S. for the first time in 40 years
- Reviewed more than 2,000 new chemicals cases for unreasonable risks to health or the environment
- Released first draft risk evaluation for public comment for a chemical under amended TSCA
- Finalized four chemical safety framework rules
- Developed a strategy to reduce animal testing
- Issued final rule on reporting mercury manufacturing and imports and used this information to issue an initial inventory of mercury, supply, use, and trade in the U.S.
- Expanded access to chemical information for state, tribal, and local governments, and medical personnel and emergency responders
- Established policies and procedures allowing EPA to share more chemical information with the public while protecting verified CBI claims
- Released systematic review approach for public comment to guide
- Issued guidance to help stakeholders develop and submit draft risk evaluations to EPA
- Selected first 10 chemicals to undergo risk evaluation and issued documents describing uses to be included in the risk evaluations
- Established and held first meeting of Science Advisory Committee on Chemicals

Cheers, R.

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Sent: Friday, June 21, 2019 11:47 AM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Senators to EPA: Stop Undermining Key Chemical Safety Law

Hello,

I am writing a brief news story about this letter and would appreciate any interim response the agency has to these allegations and questions.

Thank you,

Emily

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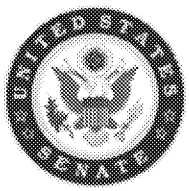
From: **Tom Udall Press Office** <NEWS_PressOffice@tomudall.senate.gov>
Date: Fri, Jun 21, 2019 at 11:14 AM
Subject: Senators to EPA: Stop Undermining Key Chemical Safety Law
To: Tom Udall Press Office <NEWS_PressOffice@tomudall.senate.gov>



NEWS FROM THE UNITED STATES SENATE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: June 21, 2019

Senators to EPA: Stop Undermining Key Chemical Safety Law

Udall, Booker, Markey, Merkley, & Whitehouse sound the alarm as Trump admin. waters down revamped Toxic Substances Control Act to protect chemical industry rather than public health

Three years after overwhelming, bipartisan passage of landmark legislation overhauling TSCA, senators raise concerns that Trump EPA's implementation of the law has gone dangerously off the rails

WASHINGTON – U.S. Senators Tom Udall (D-N.M.), Cory Booker (D-N.J.) Ed Markey (D-Mass.), Jeff Merkley (D-Ore.), and Sheldon Whitehouse (D-R.I.) sounded the alarm as the Trump administration continues to water down critical reforms to the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) by undermining or skirting key provisions that were designed to protect the American public from exposure to dangerous chemicals. In a letter to Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Andrew Wheeler, the senators demanded information about the EPA's implementation of the law, which has gone dangerously off the rails and put public health at risk.

Three years ago, Udall, along with Booker, Markey, Merkley, and Whitehouse, led passage of bipartisan landmark legislation, the *Frank R. Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act*, to revamp and strengthen the badly outdated Toxic Substances Control Act of 1976. Among the reforms included in the law were key requirements to protect vulnerable populations – including children, pregnant women, the elderly, and chemical industry workers – and to evaluate and review the safety of all new and existing chemicals on the market.

In their letter, the senators raised serious concerns about several steps that the Trump EPA has taken since then to undermine the intent of the law by weakening or openly violating critical safeguards, including allowing chemicals onto the market without reviewing critical information about risks to public health; abandoning its responsibility to protect workers on the job; ignoring real-world exposure to chemicals in our air, water, and food; and withholding public access to critical health and safety information.

"Those reforms were intended to address longstanding structural problems with the original 1976 law that were broadly agreed to have stymied the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) authority to ensure that chemicals in and entering commerce are safe for human health and the environment," **the senators wrote.**

"Sadly, the implementation of the Lautenberg Act has deviated dramatically from Congress' intent and the new law's requirements," **they continued.** The senators detailed "some of the many serious problems with the actions taken by this Administration since January of 2017 – actions that have rendered the law's implementation weaker than even before the 2016 reforms."

"Each of us contributed a great deal of time and energy into the Congressional reform process of TSCA... [with] the goal of restoring public trust in the federal government's ability to protect the public from hazardous chemicals in commerce. Three years later, we are sorely disappointed with the direction the Administration has taken this landmark bipartisan law," **the senators concluded.**

To address their concerns, the senators demanded complete responses to a series of specific oversight questions about the EPA's failure of implementation as soon as possible.

The full text of the letter is available below and HERE.

The Honorable Andrew Wheeler
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Dear Mr. Administrator:

Nearly three years ago, major reforms to the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) were enacted by a strong bipartisan majority of both Houses of Congress, in the form of the Frank R. Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act. Those reforms were intended to address longstanding structural problems with the original 1976 law that were broadly agreed to have stymied the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) authority to ensure that chemicals in and entering commerce are safe for human health and the environment.

These problems included debilitating constraints on EPA's ability to obtain and require the development of sufficient information on chemicals; the lack of a mandate for EPA to review and make affirmative risk findings on new chemicals prior to allowing them onto the market; the limited authority and mandate TSCA gave EPA to review the safety of chemicals already in commerce and regulate those that present unreasonable risk; and EPA's inability to share much of the chemical information it obtains with the public, or in the case of information deemed confidential, to share such information with other levels of government and health and environmental professionals.

The Lautenberg Act made improvements to address each of these problems. Among the many changes:

- *Section 4: enhanced EPA's information authorities by allowing EPA to issue orders to obtain information and removing the original law's requirement that EPA first show potential risk in order to require a company to test a chemical;*
- *Section 5: required EPA to make affirmative safety findings for each new chemical, taking into account reasonably foreseen as well as intended uses of the chemical and requiring EPA to issue binding orders on any new chemical that "may present an unreasonable risk" or lacked sufficient information for EPA to conduct a reasoned evaluation;*
- *Section 6: required EPA to establish a continuous "pipeline" process to prioritize existing chemicals in commerce; subject those deemed high-priority to robust risk evaluations that account for: the full lifecycle of the chemical; its intended, known and reasonably foreseen conditions of use; and its potential risks to all "potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulations" (including children and workers); and impose regulatory restrictions on any chemical found to "present an unreasonable risk" that are sufficient to mitigate those risks; and*
- *Section 14: required companies to substantiate and EPA to review many claims for protection from disclosure of confidential business information (CBI) and where approved to provide that such protection generally expires after 10 years unless a claim is reasserted and reapproved; reiterated that health and safety studies and related information are not eligible for CBI protection, subject to two narrow exceptions; and expanded authorized access to CBI to other levels of government and certain health and environmental professionals.*

Sadly, the implementation of the Lautenberg Act has deviated dramatically from Congress' intent and the new law's requirements. This letter describes some of the many serious problems with the actions taken by this Administration since January of 2017 – actions that have rendered the law's implementation weaker than even before the 2016 reforms.

For each of several major sections of TSCA as amended by the Lautenberg Act, we describe what was intended under the law, and provide some examples of how EPA's implementation has fallen short of or deviated from that intent. For each area of concern, we request EPA's prompt responses to the questions identified.

Section 4: EPA's failure to use its enhanced information authorities under TSCA

One of the areas of greatest bipartisan consensus in TSCA reform was the need to improve EPA's ability to readily obtain more robust information on chemicals, including data on exposure pathways and extent of exposure. It is impossible to ensure the safety of chemicals and protect human health and the environment without having solid information about a chemical's risks. That's just common sense.

Under the 2016 reforms to TSCA, EPA can now readily acquire information where needed to review new chemicals or to prioritize or review the risks of a chemical already on the market. The law also makes clear that EPA can require the development of real-world exposure information.

Yet in the nearly 3 years since passage of TSCA reform, EPA has not once used these new authorities, and seems to be avoiding using them at all costs – even where there are critical information gaps. For example, in a recent draft risk evaluation for Pigment Violet 29, EPA relied exclusively on an unsupported guesstimate from a company representative for the level of workplace exposure to a chemical, rather than using its authority to require actual workplace monitoring.

1. Why has EPA failed to use its information authorities?

2. Is there a policy at the agency that discourages use of such authorities?

3. Is there a policy for determining when such authorities are to be used?

4. Please share any existing policies with the committee by the end of June 2019.

5. EPA received public comments on the first 10 chemicals it is reviewing under TSCA that identified serious information gaps. Yet EPA has already stated publicly that it does not intend to use these authorities for any of the first 10 chemicals. Please explain this decision.

a. *Has EPA documented the basis for its decision not to rely on these authorities with respect to the first 10 chemicals?*

b. *If so, please provide documents related to this decision.*

6. Has EPA considered using any of these information authorities when assessing a new chemical since passage of the Lautenberg Act?

a. *If so, please provide any documentation related to those decisions.*

b. *If not, why EPA has not considered using its information authorities when assessing any of the approximately 2,500 new chemical submissions it has reviewed over this time period?*

c. *Has EPA requested or required—and received—any vertebrate animal or non/vertebrate or non-animal toxicity information?*

The law's vertebrate animal testing provisions in no way limit EPA's testing authorities; they simply call for EPA to rely on methods not involving vertebrate animals where such methods can provide information of equivalent or better scientific quality and relevance than vertebrate animal tests.

7. Does EPA consider that the law in any manner constrains EPA's authority to request or require testing if the needed test is an animal test? If so, please indicate where such a constraint is stated in the law.

8. Has EPA requested or required the use of any tests, whether involving vertebrate animals or not, using its section 4 authorities since passage of the Lautenberg Act?

9. In order for the public to understand how EPA's use of its information authorities affects the information that EPA receives, when and how will EPA make publicly available any:

a. *voluntary exposure and toxicity information it receives for new or existing chemicals,*

b. *any requests or requirements EPA issues regarding new or existing chemicals, and*

c. *exposure or toxicity information it receives as a result of such requests or requirements?*

10. EPA has stated that the agency intends to rely principally or entirely on voluntary submissions of information.

a. *Please describe any steps that the EPA has taken to that it obtains all reasonably available information through voluntary submissions.*

b. *Please describe any steps that the EPA has taken to ensure that all companies with relevant information choose to provide information.*

c. *Please describe any steps that the EPA has taken to ensure that companies do not choose not to provide information that is unfavorable to their chemicals or that they for some other reason do not wish to provide EPA or have be made public.*

11. Does EPA have a written policy or procedure to prevent receiving only incomplete or biased information when relying solely on voluntary submissions? If so, please provide them.

Section 5, part 1: EPA's failure to protect workers when reviewing new chemicals under TSCA

Congress gave EPA authority to regulate chemicals that may present risks to workers when TSCA was first enacted in 1976. Bipartisan TSCA reform in 2016 strengthened this authority by explicitly naming workers as a "potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulation" and requiring that EPA consider and address potential risks to workers when assessing new or existing chemicals.

Every year, industry submits 1,000 or so new chemical notices that EPA must review before the chemicals can enter the market. As part of this review, Congress told EPA to determine whether any of these chemicals "may present an unreasonable risk" to workers, using TSCA's health standard, which is much more stringent than the Occupational Safety and Health Administration's (OSHA) workplace standards. Where potential risks to workers are identified under TSCA, EPA must mitigate or eliminate those risks.

Unfortunately, EPA is failing to carry out the law and is putting the health of American workers in jeopardy. Even where EPA finds a new chemical does or may present serious risks to workers, the agency is allowing that chemical onto the market without imposing any conditions to protect the workers. EPA's only justification for this is that it simply "expects" that workers will protect themselves from harmful workplace exposures by wearing personal protective equipment (PPE) that the company is not required to provide or train workers to use properly. In doing this, EPA is deferring to OSHA regulations that allow workers to be exposed to chemical risks that are a thousand or more times higher than are acceptable under TSCA.

12. Why is EPA failing to carry out its duty to ensure workers are protected under TSCA, and is instead deferring to the much weaker health standards and regulations of OSHA?

13. On what legal basis is EPA allowing, without any conditions or restrictions, new chemicals onto the market that may present risk to workers, when the law clearly requires EPA to regulate such chemicals?

a. *What actual evidence does the agency have that American workers will be sufficiently protected once these chemicals are on the market?*

14. Please promptly provide us with your new chemicals decision-making policies that set forth the legal basis for your decisions regarding worker safety, along with any evidence that workers are being sufficiently protected under your approach. If you lack any such written policies or evidence, please explain why EPA has consistently applied this approach to so many of its recent new chemicals decisions?

Section 5, part 2: EPA's failure to adequately identify and review "reasonably foreseen" conditions of use when reviewing new chemicals under TSCA

When reviewing a new chemical, EPA is directed by statute to examine the chemical under its "conditions of use," defined in TSCA as "the circumstances, as determined by the Administrator, under which a chemical substance is intended, known, or reasonably foreseen to be manufactured, processed, distributed in commerce, used, or disposed of." In the context of new chemicals, Congress's inclusion of a requirement for EPA to examine "reasonably foreseen" activities is particularly noteworthy. Where EPA determines that a new chemical "is not likely to present an unreasonable risk" and the notifying company commences manufacture, that chemical is then placed on the TSCA Inventory and other companies can make or use that chemical at will without any notification to or review by EPA. Such a chemical may be produced or used in amounts or in ways that the original company did not intend at the time it first notified EPA of the new chemical. The risks of these additional activities, in combination with those from the originally intended activities, could well increase to a point where EPA would find that the chemical "presents" or "may present" an unreasonable risk. Hence it is vital that EPA consider both intended and reasonably foreseen activities in its initial review.

Unfortunately, EPA has attempted to skirt this requirement for an integrated assessment of both intended and reasonably foreseen conditions of use in several ways that are contrary to what TSCA requires:

- *For most new chemicals EPA has reviewed in recent months, it simply asserts there are no such reasonably foreseen uses.*
- *For most of the small subset of such new chemicals where EPA does identify a reasonably foreseen use, it merely states without providing any analysis that it expects that use to present no greater risk than the intended use. By doing this, EPA not only fails to demonstrate that the reasonably foreseen use is not likely to present an unreasonable risk; it also fails to consider that the combination of use could present such a risk.*
- *For the remaining few new chemicals where EPA does identify a reasonably foreseen use and identifies some potential concern with that use, EPA has separately promulgated a Significant New Use Rule (SNUR) that requires a company to notify EPA prior to engaging in that reasonably foreseen use. However, in these SNURs, EPA has not made clear that it would assess the potential exposure and risks from that use in combination with the already approved intended uses as part of its review of any such notice.*

None of these recent policy changes to EPA's examination of new chemicals' conditions of use has been made public or subject to a public comment opportunity. While certain aspects of the third case outlined above appear to mirror aspects of EPA's November 2017 "decision-making framework" that was subject to public comment, EPA has never responded to those public comments, and when a lawsuit challenged that earlier framework, EPA did not apply the framework until the lawsuit was dismissed, apparently to evade judicial review of the framework.

15. Why has EPA implemented these new "reasonably foreseen" policies for months now without publicly describing them and allowing the public an opportunity to comment on them?

16. We expect that EPA has put its new policies and procedures in writing for internal use. Please provide us with copies. If written copies are not available, please explain how EPA is making decisions concerning new chemicals without such written policies.

17. What are EPA's plans to publish and take public comment on its current decision-making framework, including the legal and scientific justifications for it?

18. On what statutory basis does EPA believe it has authority to separate its consideration of potential risks arising from intended vs. reasonably foreseen conditions of use of a new chemical, given TSCA's clear mandate that they be assessed together?

Section 6: EPA's failure to assess even known conditions of use and pathways of exposure in conducting risk evaluations of existing chemicals under TSCA

The 2016 reforms to TSCA strengthened EPA's authority and mandate to conduct comprehensive, robust evaluations of potential risks posed by chemicals in commerce. As mentioned above, EPA is required to determine whether a chemical substance, as a whole, presents an unreasonable risk under its conditions of use. To do so, EPA must evaluate potential risks arising from activities across the entire lifecycle of a chemical, and it must consider all "known" and "reasonably foreseen" circumstances, not just those "intended" by a company making or using a chemical.

Yet EPA has sought in numerous ways to limit the scope of its risk evaluations and risk determinations. First, in its final Risk Evaluation Rule, EPA reversed course from its proposed rule and asserted sweeping authority to pick and choose what activities and what exposures it includes in its risk evaluation of a chemical. EPA claimed it could ignore any exposure to a chemical that also falls under the authority of another agency, such as OSHA, regardless of whether that agency has actually taken any action to mitigate the risks of the chemical. EPA also stated that it will exclude what it called "legacy" activities associated with a chemical. Even when a chemical is still being used or disposed of, EPA asserted that it could ignore exposures from those "legacy" activities if a chemical was not being actively manufactured for those uses. For example, EPA will ignore known exposures to: flame retardants that have been voluntarily phased out but are still present in millions of items of furniture still in active use; and to asbestos in insulation that remains in place in millions of homes, schools and other buildings. EPA will not only be ignoring exposures that clearly contribute to ongoing risks, it will do so even

where no law or regulation prevents companies from resuming production of a chemical that has been voluntarily phased out.

But EPA has not stopped there. It has already begun to conduct risk evaluations that exclude most or all pathways of exposure to a chemical that fall under the jurisdiction of another statute that EPA administers. This means EPA will not account for the human health or environmental risks of releases and exposures to chemicals in air, surface, ground or drinking water, or wastes, no matter how they are disposed of. Not only will EPA ignore the contribution to overall exposure of environmental releases that are actually regulated under another law; it will also do so when no regulation has been issued at all for a chemical under another law--merely because EPA could in principle regulate the chemical in the future.

The magnitude of the exposures EPA is zeroing out of its risk evaluations is enormous. For just seven of the first 10 chemicals undergoing risk evaluations under TSCA, EPA's own data indicate that 66 million pounds are released every year to the air, water and land – even after accounting for any regulations of these chemicals in place under another law.

Finally, while TSCA requires EPA to determine whether a chemical as a whole, not individual uses of a chemical, poses an unreasonable risk, EPA has asserted that it can make use-by-use determinations of no unreasonable risk, without ever considering the combined exposures from multiple uses of the same chemical.

All of these assertions of authority are contrary to both the letter and the spirit of reformed TSCA, which was intended to ensure that EPA's chemical risk assessments accounted for chemical exposures in the real world, where people are exposed to chemicals at work and at home, and through air, water and food as well as through the use of products.

19. How does EPA's exclusion of known uses and exposures to chemicals represent use of the "best available science," as required under TSCA section 26(h)?

20. How is EPA complying with TSCA section 26(k)'s requirement that EPA consider all reasonably available information when EPA ignores known uses and exposures to chemicals?

21. Please identify the specific language in TSCA that authorizes EPA to make risk determinations on individual uses of a chemical, rather than on the chemical as a whole, thereby not accounting for the potential for people or the environment to be exposed to a chemical in multiple ways.

22. Please identify the specific language in TSCA that authorizes EPA not to account for exposures from use or disposal of a chemical where that chemical is not currently manufactured for such a use.

23. How will EPA ensure that it meets its obligation under TSCA to protect against unreasonable risk, including risk to vulnerable subpopulations, if it defers to other agencies or EPA-administered statutes that use health standards that differ significantly from TSCA's and do not require protection of vulnerable subpopulations?

24. While EPA has announced these policies in its final framework rule and risk evaluation scopes and problem formulations, EPA has provided relatively little explanation of the legal basis for these approaches. Does EPA have a more robust legal analysis justifying these approaches? If so, please provide it/them.

Section 14: EPA's failure to provide timely public access to non-confidential information and access by eligible parties to confidential business information under TSCA

A key aim of TSCA even as originally enacted in 1976 was to ensure there is adequate information available on the potential health and environmental effects of chemicals. Congress clearly identified this aim in the first item articulated in TSCA's policy section 2(b)(1). TSCA also called on EPA to play a central role in providing broad access to such information on chemicals, while protecting legitimate confidential business information (CBI). Both roles are specified in TSCA section 14.

The 2016 TSCA amendments made major changes to section 14, enhancing requirements for companies' assertion and substantiation, and EPA's review, of CBI claims; for providing public access to chemical information; and for providing expanded access to CBI:

- *CBI claims must be asserted at the time information is submitted to EPA. Except for certain specific types of information, all CBI claims must also be substantiated at that time.*
- *Health and safety studies and their underlying information are not eligible for CBI protection, subject to two narrow exceptions.*
- *EPA must review all CBI claims made to protect a chemical's identity, and at least 25% of all other types of CBI claims, except for those specifically exempted from substantiation. EPA must conduct its review and make a determination on each CBI claim within 90 days of its receipt. Any claim approved expires after 10 years unless reasserted and reviewed and approved by EPA.*
- *A public "unique identifier" must be assigned to any confidential chemical identity and used to "tag" all other information EPA has or receives on that chemical.*
- *Subject to certain conditions, EPA is to provide access to CBI by state, local and tribal governments, associated health and environmental professionals, medical personnel and first responders.*
- *EPA is to establish a "request and notification system" to provide "expedient and swift access" to CBI by government-associated health and environmental professionals, medical personnel and first responders.*

These provisions of amended TSCA were immediately effective. Yet nearly three years after enactment, there is little evidence that EPA is effectively implementing these provisions or requiring compliance with them. Foremost among our concerns is EPA's failure to provide any means for the public to know about and have confidence in the extent of EPA CBI reviews, the determinations being reached, and the provision of access to information the law requires be provided. Some specific examples are listed below:

- *EPA has provided no public accounting of how many CBI claims it has received and for what types of information; how many claims it has reviewed and within what timeframe; or the outcomes of any of the claim reviews it has conducted.*
- *While section 26(j) of TSCA requires EPA to make all of its determinations public, EPA has yet to do so for even a single CBI claim determination.*
- *Last December, EPA for the first time published a list of "unique identifiers" it had assigned to chemicals for the identities of which it had approved CBI claims. The list contained only 157 entries, and the most recent assignment dated back to August 2017, more than 18 months ago. Yet EPA has allowed the identities of hundreds of additional chemicals to be hidden from the public without assigning a unique identifier. For example, as of the end of January of this year, EPA had failed to assign a unique identifier to at least 270 new chemicals that have commenced manufacture and that are identified only by a generic name indicating EPA has allowed the specific name to be kept confidential.*
- *EPA appears to have made no progress at all toward establishing the "request and notification system" required under TSCA section 14(g)(3). That system is vital to ensuring that government-associated health and environmental professionals, medical personnel and first responders can gain access to confidential information they need to do their jobs.*

Meanwhile, EPA has withheld health and safety studies or their underlying information from the public pertaining to the first chemical subject to a risk evaluation under TSCA, called Pigment Violet 29. Initially EPA erroneously asserted that such information was eligible for CBI protection under TSCA and was being withheld from the public on that basis. When that argument was rebutted, EPA acknowledged it had erred – but then came up with a different legal theory for withholding information that Congress clearly intended be publicly accessible.

Stakeholders report that when they have raised concerns about many of these issues to EPA staff, they have repeatedly been told that the agency does not have sufficient resources to carry out its duties under section 14. Yet comments received by the agency on its proposed user fee rule pointed to EPA's severe underestimation of its costs for implementing these requirements of amended TSCA and urged EPA both to provide a fuller accounting of its expenses and to increase the amount of fees it was to collect to help offset these costs. Despite these concerns being voiced, EPA made no changes either to its cost estimate or to its fee structure.

25. When can we expect to see real progress in the agency's meeting its duties under TSCA section 14? Specifically:

a. *When will EPA provide a public accounting of how many CBI claims it has received and for what types of information; how many claims it has reviewed and within what timeframe; and the outcomes of (i.e., determinations on) the claim reviews it has conducted, as required?*

b. *b. When will EPA make public a current and complete list of "unique identifiers" for chemical identities for which EPA has approved CBI claims, which are essential for the public to identify other information EPA has on those chemicals?*
c. *c. When will government-associated health and environmental professionals, medical personnel and first responders be able to access the confidential information they need to do their jobs through the "request and notification system" for CBI access required under TSCA?*
d. *d. When will EPA make public health and safety studies and associated information on chemicals, which are not eligible for protection as CBI under TSCA?*

Each of us contributed a great deal of time and energy into the Congressional reform process of TSCA with a wide variety of stakeholders from the environmental, health and business sectors. We all had the goal of restoring public trust in the federal government's ability to protect the public from hazardous chemicals in commerce. Three years later, we are sorely disappointed with the direction the Administration has taken this landmark bipartisan law. Your response to these questions in a timely manner would be appreciated so we can begin the process of turning implementation of the new TSCA in the right direction.

Respectfully,

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Message

From: Hackel, Angela [Hackel.Angela@epa.gov]
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To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Senators to EPA: Stop Undermining Key Chemical Safety Law

Thanks!

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Friday, June 21, 2019 3:02 PM
To: Hackel, Angela <Hackel.Angela@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Senators to EPA: Stop Undermining Key Chemical Safety Law

Quick thing going forward:

For Review:
In the subject line + put "press" in the "to" box.

Otherwise, perfect! 😀

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Resent-From: <Press@epa.gov>
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Date: June 21, 2019 at 2:53:47 PM EDT
To: "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Senators to EPA: Stop Undermining Key Chemical Safety Law

Hi Everyone,

Maggie sent up the below response yesterday for review.

Is this okay to send back to reporter?

Thanks,

Angela

From: "Sauerhage, Maggie" <Sauerhage.Maggie@epa.gov>
Date: June 20, 2019 at 11:10:55 AM EDT
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: For Review: Two interview requests, on deadline this week

Below are responses to her tire crumb questions, previously used/approved language. Ok to send?

I see the draft report was sent for external peer-review in May 2018 and the first part of it was expected to be published in early 2019. Who is reviewing it and why is it delayed?

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Do you have an estimated publication date? Do you have an estimated publication date for the second part of the report?

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

What is the next step after the full report is out?

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

In the absence of this report, would EPA advise that parents consider crumb rubber fields and playgrounds to be safe for their children?

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Emily Holden <emily.holden@theguardian.com>
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Sent over for addition, thanks.

Separately, I have a request in about EPA/CDC's delayed study on the safety of waste tires used in playgrounds. I can send the email again if needed. Has anyone seen it?

Thanks!

On Fri, Jun 21, 2019 at 1:50 PM Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

> Good afternoon Emily,
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> For attribution to "an EPA Spokesperson," please:

As part of EPA's efforts to fully implement TSCA, Assistant Administrator Alexandra Dapolito Dunn will be briefing house and senate staff today. And we look forward to hearing their comments and recommendations in person.

For information on EPA's accomplishment under Lautenberg, read the blog on EPA's accomplishments by Alexandra Dapolito Dunn, Assistant Administrator for the Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention: https://blog.epa.gov/2019/06/17/lautenberg-chemical-safety-for-the-21st-century-act-three-years-of-safer-chemicals/

EPA has diligently worked to implement the first major update to an environmental statute in 20 years, making impressive progress and meeting all major deadlines - while ensuring the safety of chemicals in the marketplace, protecting human health and the environment, and advancing the Agency's core mission. EPA has increased transparency in our actions, including making available important information to protect public health and increasing stakeholder involvement in decision-making and has relied on the best available science.

Recent milestones include:

- Finalized rule to prohibit the manufacture (including import), processing, and distribution of methylene chloride in all paint removers for consumer use.
- Enhanced transparency by providing stakeholders and the public with more information on new chemicals undergoing review and how we conduct our reviews
- Strengthened asbestos regulation to close a dangerous loophole and protect consumers
- Selected 40 chemicals to begin prioritization process
- Identified chemicals being actively manufactured, processed and imported in the U.S. for the first time in 40 years
- Reviewed more than 2,000 new chemicals cases for unreasonable risks to health or the environment
- Released first draft risk evaluation for public comment for a chemical under amended TSCA
- Finalized four chemical safety framework rules
- Developed a strategy to reduce animal testing
- Issued final rule on reporting mercury manufacturing and imports and used this information to issue an initial inventory of mercury, supply, use, and trade in the U.S.
- Expanded access to chemical information for state, tribal, and local governments, and medical personnel and emergency responders
- Established policies and procedures allowing EPA to share more chemical information with the public while protecting verified CBI claims
- Released systematic review approach for public comment to guide
- Issued guidance to help stakeholders develop and submit draft risk evaluations to EPA
- Selected first 10 chemicals to undergo risk evaluation and issued documents describing uses to be included in the risk evaluations
- Established and held first meeting of Science Advisory Committee on Chemicals

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Hello,

I am writing a brief news story about this letter and would appreciate any interim response the agency has to these allegations and questions.

Thank you,

Emily

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From: **Tom Udall Press Office** <NEWS_PressOffice@tomudall.senate.gov>
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Senators to EPA: Stop Undermining Key Chemical Safety Law

Udall, Booker, Markey, Merkley, & Whitehouse sound the alarm as Trump admin. waters down revamped Toxic Substances Control Act to protect chemical industry rather than public health

Three years after overwhelming, bipartisan passage of landmark legislation overhauling TSCA, senators raise concerns that Trump EPA's implementation of the law has gone dangerously off the rails

WASHINGTON – U.S. Senators Tom Udall (D-N.M.), Cory Booker (D-N.J.) Ed Markey (D-Mass.), Jeff Merkley (D-Ore.), and Sheldon Whitehouse (D-R.I.) sounded the alarm as the Trump administration continues to water down critical reforms to the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) by undermining or skirting key provisions that were designed to protect the American public from exposure to dangerous chemicals. In a letter to Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Andrew Wheeler, the senators demanded information about the EPA's implementation of the law, which has gone dangerously off the rails and put public health at risk.

Three years ago, Udall, along with Booker, Markey, Merkley, and Whitehouse, led passage of bipartisan landmark legislation, the *Frank R. Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act*, to revamp and strengthen the badly outdated Toxic Substances Control Act of 1976. Among the reforms included in the law were key requirements to protect vulnerable populations – including children, pregnant women, the elderly, and chemical industry workers – and to evaluate and review the safety of all new and existing chemicals on the market.

In their letter, the senators raised serious concerns about several steps that the Trump EPA has taken since then to undermine the intent of the law by weakening or openly violating critical safeguards, including allowing chemicals onto the market without reviewing critical information about risks to public health; abandoning its responsibility to protect workers on the job; ignoring real-world exposure to chemicals in our air, water, and food; and withholding public access to critical health and safety information.

"Those reforms were intended to address longstanding structural problems with the original 1976 law that were broadly agreed to have stymied the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) authority to ensure that chemicals in and entering commerce are safe for human health and the environment," **the senators wrote.**

"Sadly, the implementation of the Lautenberg Act has deviated dramatically from Congress' intent and the new law's requirements," **they continued.** The senators detailed "some of the many serious problems with the actions taken by this Administration since January of 2017 – actions that have rendered the law's implementation weaker than even before the 2016 reforms."

"Each of us contributed a great deal of time and energy into the Congressional reform process of TSCA... [with] the goal of restoring public trust in the federal government's ability to protect the public from hazardous chemicals in commerce. Three years later, we are sorely disappointed with the direction the Administration has taken this landmark bipartisan law," **the senators concluded.**

To address their concerns, the senators demanded complete responses to a series of specific oversight questions about the EPA's failure of implementation as soon as possible.

The full text of the letter is available below and HERE.

The Honorable Andrew Wheeler
Administrator
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Dear Mr. Administrator:

Nearly three years ago, major reforms to the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) were enacted by a strong bipartisan majority of both Houses of Congress, in the form of the Frank R. Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act. Those reforms were intended to address longstanding structural problems with the original 1976 law that were broadly agreed to have stymied the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) authority to ensure that chemicals in and entering commerce are safe for human health and the environment.

These problems included debilitating constraints on EPA's ability to obtain and require the development of sufficient information on chemicals; the lack of a mandate for EPA to review and make affirmative risk findings on new chemicals prior to allowing them onto the market; the limited authority and mandate TSCA gave EPA to review the safety of chemicals already in commerce and regulate those that present unreasonable risk; and EPA's inability to share much of the chemical information it obtains with the public, or in the case of information deemed confidential, to share such information with other levels of government and health and environmental professionals.

The Lautenberg Act made improvements to address each of these problems. Among the many changes:

- *Section 4: enhanced EPA's information authorities by allowing EPA to issue orders to obtain information and removing the original law's requirement that EPA first show potential risk in order to require a company to test a chemical;*
- *Section 5: required EPA to make affirmative safety findings for each new chemical, taking into account reasonably foreseen as well as intended uses of the chemical and requiring EPA to issue binding orders on any new chemical that "may present an unreasonable risk" or lacked sufficient information for EPA to conduct a reasoned evaluation;*
- *Section 6: required EPA to establish a continuous "pipeline" process to prioritize existing chemicals in commerce; subject those deemed high-priority to robust risk evaluations that account for: the full lifecycle of the chemical; its intended, known and reasonably foreseen conditions of use; and its potential risks to all "potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulations" (including children and workers); and impose regulatory restrictions on any chemical found to "present an unreasonable risk" that are sufficient to mitigate those risks; and*
- *Section 14: required companies to substantiate and EPA to review many claims for protection from disclosure of confidential business information (CBI) and where approved to provide that such protection generally expires after 10 years unless a claim is reasserted and reapproved; reiterated that health and safety studies and related information are not eligible for CBI protection, subject to two narrow exceptions; and expanded authorized access to CBI to other levels of government and certain health and environmental professionals.*

Sadly, the implementation of the Lautenberg Act has deviated dramatically from Congress' intent and the new law's requirements. This letter describes some of the many serious problems with the actions taken by this Administration since January of 2017 – actions that have rendered the law's implementation weaker than even before the 2016 reforms.

For each of several major sections of TSCA as amended by the Lautenberg Act, we describe what was intended under the law, and provide some examples of how EPA's implementation has fallen short of or deviated from that intent. For each area of concern, we request EPA's prompt responses to the questions identified.

Section 4: EPA's failure to use its enhanced information authorities under TSCA

One of the areas of greatest bipartisan consensus in TSCA reform was the need to improve EPA's ability to readily obtain more robust information on chemicals, including data on exposure pathways and extent of exposure. It is impossible to ensure the safety of chemicals and protect human health and the environment without having solid information about a chemical's risks. That's just common sense.

Under the 2016 reforms to TSCA, EPA can now readily acquire information where needed to review new chemicals or to prioritize or review the risks of a chemical already on the market. The law also makes clear that EPA can require the development of real-world exposure information.

Yet in the nearly 3 years since passage of TSCA reform, EPA has not once used these new authorities, and seems to be avoiding using them at all costs – even where there are critical information gaps. For example, in a recent draft risk evaluation for Pigment Violet 29, EPA relied exclusively on an unsupported guesstimate from a company representative for the level of workplace exposure to a chemical, rather than using its authority to require actual workplace monitoring.

1. Why has EPA failed to use its information authorities?

2. Is there a policy at the agency that discourages use of such authorities?

3. Is there a policy for determining when such authorities are to be used?

4. Please share any existing policies with the committee by the end of June 2019.

5. EPA received public comments on the first 10 chemicals it is reviewing under TSCA that identified serious information gaps. Yet EPA has already stated publicly that it does not intend to use these authorities for any of the first 10 chemicals. Please explain this decision.

a. *Has EPA documented the basis for its decision not to rely on these authorities with respect to the first 10 chemicals?*

b. *If so, please provide documents related to this decision.*

6. Has EPA considered using any of these information authorities when assessing a new chemical since passage of the Lautenberg Act?

a. *If so, please provide any documentation related to those decisions.*

b. *If not, why EPA has not considered using its information authorities when assessing any of the approximately 2,500 new chemical submissions it has reviewed over this time period?*

c. *Has EPA requested or required—and received—any vertebrate animal or non/vertebrate or non-animal toxicity information?*

The law's vertebrate animal testing provisions in no way limit EPA's testing authorities; they simply call for EPA to rely on methods not involving vertebrate animals where such methods can provide information of equivalent or better scientific quality and relevance than vertebrate animal tests.

7. Does EPA consider that the law in any manner constrains EPA's authority to request or require testing if the needed test is an animal test? If so, please indicate where such a constraint is stated in the law.

8. Has EPA requested or required the use of any tests, whether involving vertebrate animals or not, using its section 4 authorities since passage of the Lautenberg Act?

9. In order for the public to understand how EPA's use of its information authorities affects the information that EPA receives, when and how will EPA make publicly available any:

a. *voluntary exposure and toxicity information it receives for new or existing chemicals,*

b. *any requests or requirements EPA issues regarding new or existing chemicals, and*

c. *exposure or toxicity information it receives as a result of such requests or requirements?*

10. EPA has stated that the agency intends to rely principally or entirely on voluntary submissions of information.

a. *Please describe any steps that the EPA has taken to that it obtains all reasonably available information through voluntary submissions.*

b. *Please describe any steps that the EPA has taken to ensure that all companies with relevant information choose to provide information.*

c. *Please describe any steps that the EPA has taken to ensure that companies do not choose not to provide information that is unfavorable to their chemicals or that they for some other reason do not wish to provide EPA or have be made public.*

11. Does EPA have a written policy or procedure to prevent receiving only incomplete or biased information when relying solely on voluntary submissions? If so, please provide them.

Section 5, part 1: EPA's failure to protect workers when reviewing new chemicals under TSCA

Congress gave EPA authority to regulate chemicals that may present risks to workers when TSCA was first enacted in 1976. Bipartisan TSCA reform in 2016 strengthened this authority by explicitly naming workers as a "potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulation" and requiring that EPA consider and address potential risks to workers when assessing new or existing chemicals.

Every year, industry submits 1,000 or so new chemical notices that EPA must review before the chemicals can enter the market. As part of this review, Congress told EPA to determine whether any of these chemicals "may present an unreasonable risk" to workers, using TSCA's health standard, which is much more stringent than the Occupational Safety and Health Administration's (OSHA) workplace standards. Where potential risks to workers are identified under TSCA, EPA must mitigate or eliminate those risks.

Unfortunately, EPA is failing to carry out the law and is putting the health of American workers in jeopardy. Even where EPA finds a new chemical does or may present serious risks to workers, the agency is allowing that chemical onto the market without imposing any conditions to protect the workers. EPA's only justification for this is that it simply "expects" that workers will protect themselves from harmful workplace exposures by wearing personal protective equipment (PPE) that the company is not required to provide or train workers to use properly. In doing this, EPA is deferring to OSHA regulations that allow workers to be exposed to chemical risks that are a thousand or more times higher than are acceptable under TSCA.

12. Why is EPA failing to carry out its duty to ensure workers are protected under TSCA, and is instead deferring to the much weaker health standards and regulations of OSHA?

13. On what legal basis is EPA allowing, without any conditions or restrictions, new chemicals onto the market that may present risk to workers, when the law clearly requires EPA to regulate such chemicals?

a. *What actual evidence does the agency have that American workers will be sufficiently protected once these chemicals are on the market?*

14. Please promptly provide us with your new chemicals decision-making policies that set forth the legal basis for your decisions regarding worker safety, along with any evidence that workers are being sufficiently protected under your approach. If you lack any such written policies or evidence, please explain why EPA has consistently applied this approach to so many of its recent new chemicals decisions?

Section 5, part 2: EPA's failure to adequately identify and review "reasonably foreseen" conditions of use when reviewing new chemicals under TSCA

When reviewing a new chemical, EPA is directed by statute to examine the chemical under its "conditions of use," defined in TSCA as "the circumstances, as determined by the Administrator, under which a chemical substance is intended, known, or reasonably foreseen to be manufactured, processed, distributed in commerce, used, or disposed of." In the context of new chemicals, Congress's inclusion of a requirement for EPA to examine "reasonably foreseen" activities is particularly noteworthy. Where EPA determines that a new chemical "is not likely to present an unreasonable risk" and the notifying company commences manufacture, that chemical is then placed on the TSCA Inventory and other companies can make or use that chemical at will without any notification to or review by EPA. Such a chemical may be produced or used in amounts or in ways that the original company did not intend at the time it first notified EPA of the new chemical. The risks of these additional

activities, in combination with those from the originally intended activities, could well increase to a point where EPA would find that the chemical "presents" or "may present" an unreasonable risk. Hence it is vital that EPA consider both intended and reasonably foreseen activities in its initial review.

Unfortunately, EPA has attempted to skirt this requirement for an integrated assessment of both intended and reasonably foreseen conditions of use in several ways that are contrary to what TSCA requires:

- *For most new chemicals EPA has reviewed in recent months, it simply asserts there are no such reasonably foreseen uses.*
- *For most of the small subset of such new chemicals where EPA does identify a reasonably foreseen use, it merely states without providing any analysis that it expects that use to present no greater risk than the intended use. By doing this, EPA not only fails to demonstrate that the reasonably foreseen use is not likely to present an unreasonable risk; it also fails to consider that the combination of use could present such a risk.*
- *For the remaining few new chemicals where EPA does identify a reasonably foreseen use and identifies some potential concern with that use, EPA has separately promulgated a Significant New Use Rule (SNUR) that requires a company to notify EPA prior to engaging in that reasonably foreseen use. However, in these SNURs, EPA has not made clear that it would assess the potential exposure and risks from that use in combination with the already approved intended uses as part of its review of any such notice.*

None of these recent policy changes to EPA's examination of new chemicals' conditions of use has been made public or subject to a public comment opportunity. While certain aspects of the third case outlined above appear to mirror aspects of EPA's November 2017 "decision-making framework" that was subject to public comment, EPA has never responded to those public comments, and when a lawsuit challenged that earlier framework, EPA did not apply the framework until the lawsuit was dismissed, apparently to evade judicial review of the framework.

15. Why has EPA implemented these new "reasonably foreseen" policies for months now without publicly describing them and allowing the public an opportunity to comment on them?

16. We expect that EPA has put its new policies and procedures in writing for internal use. Please provide us with copies. If written copies are not available, please explain how EPA is making decisions concerning new chemicals without such written policies.

17. What are EPA's plans to publish and take public comment on its current decision-making framework, including the legal and scientific justifications for it?

18. On what statutory basis does EPA believe it has authority to separate its consideration of potential risks arising from intended vs. reasonably foreseen conditions of use of a new chemical, given TSCA's clear mandate that they be assessed together?

Section 6: EPA's failure to assess even known conditions of use and pathways of exposure in conducting risk evaluations of existing chemicals under TSCA

The 2016 reforms to TSCA strengthened EPA's authority and mandate to conduct comprehensive, robust evaluations of potential risks posed by chemicals in commerce. As mentioned above, EPA is required to determine whether a chemical substance, as a whole, presents an unreasonable risk under its conditions of use. To do so, EPA must evaluate potential risks arising from activities across the entire lifecycle of a chemical, and it must consider all "known" and "reasonably foreseen" circumstances, not just those "intended" by a company making or using a chemical.

Yet EPA has sought in numerous ways to limit the scope of its risk evaluations and risk determinations. First, in its final Risk Evaluation Rule, EPA reversed course from its proposed rule and asserted sweeping authority to pick and choose what activities and what exposures it includes in its risk evaluation of a chemical. EPA claimed it could ignore any exposure to a chemical that also falls under the authority of another agency, such as OSHA, regardless of whether that agency has actually taken any action to mitigate the risks of the chemical. EPA also

stated that it will exclude what it called "legacy" activities associated with a chemical. Even when a chemical is still being used or disposed of, EPA asserted that it could ignore exposures from those "legacy" activities if a chemical was not being actively manufactured for those uses. For example, EPA will ignore known exposures to: flame retardants that have been voluntarily phased out but are still present in millions of items of furniture still in active use; and to asbestos in insulation that remains in place in millions of homes, schools and other buildings. EPA will not only be ignoring exposures that clearly contribute to ongoing risks, it will do so even where no law or regulation prevents companies from resuming production of a chemical that has been voluntarily phased out.

But EPA has not stopped there. It has already begun to conduct risk evaluations that exclude most or all pathways of exposure to a chemical that fall under the jurisdiction of another statute that EPA administers. This means EPA will not account for the human health or environmental risks of releases and exposures to chemicals in air, surface, ground or drinking water, or wastes, no matter how they are disposed of. Not only will EPA ignore the contribution to overall exposure of environmental releases that are actually regulated under another law; it will also do so when no regulation has been issued at all for a chemical under another law--merely because EPA could in principle regulate the chemical in the future.

The magnitude of the exposures EPA is zeroing out of its risk evaluations is enormous. For just seven of the first 10 chemicals undergoing risk evaluations under TSCA, EPA's own data indicate that 66 million pounds are released every year to the air, water and land – even after accounting for any regulations of these chemicals in place under another law.

Finally, while TSCA requires EPA to determine whether a chemical as a whole, not individual uses of a chemical, poses an unreasonable risk, EPA has asserted that it can make use-by-use determinations of no unreasonable risk, without ever considering the combined exposures from multiple uses of the same chemical.

All of these assertions of authority are contrary to both the letter and the spirit of reformed TSCA, which was intended to ensure that EPA's chemical risk assessments accounted for chemical exposures in the real world, where people are exposed to chemicals at work and at home, and through air, water and food as well as through the use of products.

19. How does EPA's exclusion of known uses and exposures to chemicals represent use of the "best available science," as required under TSCA section 26(h)?

20. How is EPA complying with TSCA section 26(k)'s requirement that EPA consider all reasonably available information when EPA ignores known uses and exposures to chemicals?

21. Please identify the specific language in TSCA that authorizes EPA to make risk determinations on individual uses of a chemical, rather than on the chemical as a whole, thereby not accounting for the potential for people or the environment to be exposed to a chemical in multiple ways.

22. Please identify the specific language in TSCA that authorizes EPA not to account for exposures from use or disposal of a chemical where that chemical is not currently manufactured for such a use.

23. How will EPA ensure that it meets its obligation under TSCA to protect against unreasonable risk, including risk to vulnerable subpopulations, if it defers to other agencies or EPA-administered statutes that use health standards that differ significantly from TSCA's and do not require protection of vulnerable subpopulations?

24. While EPA has announced these policies in its final framework rule and risk evaluation scopes and problem formulations, EPA has provided relatively little explanation of the legal basis for these approaches. Does EPA have a more robust legal analysis justifying these approaches? If so, please provide it/them.

Section 14: EPA's failure to provide timely public access to non-confidential information and access by eligible parties to confidential business information under TSCA

A key aim of TSCA even as originally enacted in 1976 was to ensure there is adequate information available on the potential health and environmental effects of chemicals. Congress clearly identified this aim in the first item articulated in TSCA's policy section 2(b)(1). TSCA also called on EPA to play a central role in providing broad

access to such information on chemicals, while protecting legitimate confidential business information (CBI). Both roles are specified in TSCA section 14.

The 2016 TSCA amendments made major changes to section 14, enhancing requirements for companies' assertion and substantiation, and EPA's review, of CBI claims; for providing public access to chemical information; and for providing expanded access to CBI:

- *CBI claims must be asserted at the time information is submitted to EPA. Except for certain specific types of information, all CBI claims must also be substantiated at that time.*
- *Health and safety studies and their underlying information are not eligible for CBI protection, subject to two narrow exceptions.*
- *EPA must review all CBI claims made to protect a chemical's identity, and at least 25% of all other types of CBI claims, except for those specifically exempted from substantiation. EPA must conduct its review and make a determination on each CBI claim within 90 days of its receipt. Any claim approved expires after 10 years unless reasserted and reviewed and approved by EPA.*
- *A public "unique identifier" must be assigned to any confidential chemical identity and used to "tag" all other information EPA has or receives on that chemical.*
- *Subject to certain conditions, EPA is to provide access to CBI by state, local and tribal governments, associated health and environmental professionals, medical personnel and first responders.*
- *EPA is to establish a "request and notification system" to provide "expedient and swift access" to CBI by government-associated health and environmental professionals, medical personnel and first responders.*

These provisions of amended TSCA were immediately effective. Yet nearly three years after enactment, there is little evidence that EPA is effectively implementing these provisions or requiring compliance with them. Foremost among our concerns is EPA's failure to provide any means for the public to know about and have confidence in the extent of EPA CBI reviews, the determinations being reached, and the provision of access to information the law requires be provided. Some specific examples are listed below:

- *EPA has provided no public accounting of how many CBI claims it has received and for what types of information; how many claims it has reviewed and within what timeframe; or the outcomes of any of the claim reviews it has conducted.*
- *While section 26(j) of TSCA requires EPA to make all of its determinations public, EPA has yet to do so for even a single CBI claim determination.*
- *Last December, EPA for the first time published a list of "unique identifiers" it had assigned to chemicals for the identities of which it had approved CBI claims. The list contained only 157 entries, and the most recent assignment dated back to August 2017, more than 18 months ago. Yet EPA has allowed the identities of hundreds of additional chemicals to be hidden from the public without assigning a unique identifier. For example, as of the end of January of this year, EPA had failed to assign a unique identifier to at least 270 new chemicals that have commenced manufacture and that are identified only by a generic name indicating EPA has allowed the specific name to be kept confidential.*
- *EPA appears to have made no progress at all toward establishing the "request and notification system" required under TSCA section 14(g)(3). That system is vital to ensuring that government-associated health and environmental professionals, medical personnel and first responders can gain access to confidential information they need to do their jobs.*

Meanwhile, EPA has withheld health and safety studies or their underlying information from the public pertaining to the first chemical subject to a risk evaluation under TSCA, called Pigment Violet 29. Initially EPA erroneously asserted that such information was eligible for CBI protection under TSCA and was being withheld from the public on that basis. When that argument was rebutted, EPA acknowledged it had erred – but then came up with a different legal theory for withholding information that Congress clearly intended be publicly accessible.

Stakeholders report that when they have raised concerns about many of these issues to EPA staff, they have repeatedly been told that the agency does not have sufficient resources to carry out its duties under section 14. Yet comments received by the agency on its proposed user fee rule pointed to EPA's severe underestimation of its costs for implementing these requirements of amended TSCA and urged EPA both to provide a fuller accounting of its expenses and to increase the amount of fees it was to collect to help offset these costs. Despite these concerns being voiced, EPA made no changes either to its cost estimate or to its fee structure.

25. When can we expect to see real progress in the agency's meeting its duties under TSCA section 14? Specifically:

a. *When will EPA provide a public accounting of how many CBI claims it has received and for what types of information; how many claims it has reviewed and within what timeframe; and the outcomes of (i.e., determinations on) the claim reviews it has conducted, as required?*
b. *b. When will EPA make public a current and complete list of "unique identifiers" for chemical identities for which EPA has approved CBI claims, which are essential for the public to identify other information EPA has on those chemicals?*
c. *c. When will government-associated health and environmental professionals, medical personnel and first responders be able to access the confidential information they need to do their jobs through the "request and notification system" for CBI access required under TSCA?*
d. *d. When will EPA make public health and safety studies and associated information on chemicals, which are not eligible for protection as CBI under TSCA?*

Each of us contributed a great deal of time and energy into the Congressional reform process of TSCA with a wide variety of stakeholders from the environmental, health and business sectors. We all had the goal of restoring public trust in the federal government's ability to protect the public from hazardous chemicals in commerce. Three years later, we are sorely disappointed with the direction the Administration has taken this landmark bipartisan law. Your response to these questions in a timely manner would be appreciated so we can begin the process of turning implementation of the new TSCA in the right direction.

Respectfully,

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Subject: RE: Senators to EPA: Stop Undermining Key Chemical Safety Law

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From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Friday, June 21, 2019 2:50 PM
To: Hackel, Angela <Hackel.Angela@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Senators to EPA: Stop Undermining Key Chemical Safety Law

HOLD!!

On Jun 21, 2019, at 2:48 PM, Hackel, Angela <Hackel.Angela@epa.gov> wrote:

Yes, I thought Maggie is working on it. Should I let her know that we are working on it. And ask for deadline?

From: Jones, Enesta
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Reporter is now asking about ORD's tire crumb study.

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Resent-From: <Press@epa.gov>
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Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Senators to EPA: Stop Undermining Key Chemical Safety Law

Sent over for addition, thanks.

Separately, I have a request in about EPA/CDC's delayed study on the safety of waste tires used in playgrounds. I can send the email again if needed. Has anyone seen it?

Thanks!

On Fri, Jun 21, 2019 at 1:50 PM Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

> Good afternoon Emily,
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> For attribution to "an EPA Spokesperson," please:

As part of EPA's efforts to fully implement TSCA, Assistant Administrator Alexandra Dapolito Dunn will be briefing house and senate staff today. And we look forward to hearing their comments and recommendations in person.

For information on EPA's accomplishment under Lautenberg, read the blog on EPA's accomplishments by Alexandra Dapolito Dunn, Assistant Administrator for the Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention: https://blog.epa.gov/2019/06/17/lautenberg-chemical-safety-for-the-21st-century-act-three-years-of-safer-chemicals/

EPA has diligently worked to implement the first major update to an environmental statute in 20 years, making impressive progress and meeting all major deadlines - while ensuring the safety of chemicals in the marketplace, protecting human health and the environment, and advancing the Agency's core mission. EPA has increased transparency in our actions, including making available important information to protect public health and increasing stakeholder involvement in decision-making and has relied on the best available science.

Recent milestones include:

- Finalized rule to prohibit the manufacture (including import), processing, and distribution of methylene chloride in all paint removers for consumer use.
- Enhanced transparency by providing stakeholders and the public with more information on new chemicals undergoing review and how we conduct our reviews
- Strengthened asbestos regulation to close a dangerous loophole and protect consumers
- Selected 40 chemicals to begin prioritization process
- Identified chemicals being actively manufactured, processed and imported in the U.S. for the first time in 40 years
- Reviewed more than 2,000 new chemicals cases for unreasonable risks to health or the environment
- Released first draft risk evaluation for public comment for a chemical under amended TSCA
- Finalized four chemical safety framework rules
- Developed a strategy to reduce animal testing
- Issued final rule on reporting mercury manufacturing and imports and used this information to issue an initial inventory of mercury, supply, use, and trade in the U.S.
- Expanded access to chemical information for state, tribal, and local governments, and medical personnel and emergency responders
- Established policies and procedures allowing EPA to share more chemical information with the public while protecting verified CBI claims
- Released systematic review approach for public comment to guide
- Issued guidance to help stakeholders develop and submit draft risk evaluations to EPA
- Selected first 10 chemicals to undergo risk evaluation and issued documents describing uses to be included in the risk evaluations
- Established and held first meeting of Science Advisory Committee on Chemicals

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Subject: Fwd: Senators to EPA: Stop Undermining Key Chemical Safety Law

Hello,

I am writing a brief news story about this letter and would appreciate any interim response the agency has to these allegations and questions.

Thank you,

Emily

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Senators to EPA: Stop Undermining Key Chemical Safety Law

Udall, Booker, Markey, Merkley, & Whitehouse sound the alarm as Trump admin. waters down revamped Toxic Substances Control Act to protect chemical industry rather than public health

Three years after overwhelming, bipartisan passage of landmark legislation overhauling TSCA, senators raise concerns that Trump EPA's implementation of the law has gone dangerously off the rails

WASHINGTON – U.S. Senators Tom Udall (D-N.M.), Cory Booker (D-N.J.) Ed Markey (D-Mass.), Jeff Merkley (D-Ore.), and Sheldon Whitehouse (D-R.I.) sounded the alarm as the Trump administration continues to water down critical reforms to the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) by undermining or skirting key provisions that were designed to protect the American public from exposure to dangerous chemicals. In a letter to Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Andrew Wheeler, the senators demanded information about the EPA's implementation of the law, which has gone dangerously off the rails and put public health at risk.

Three years ago, Udall, along with Booker, Markey, Merkley, and Whitehouse, led passage of bipartisan landmark legislation, the *Frank R. Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act*, to revamp and strengthen the badly outdated Toxic Substances Control Act of 1976. Among the reforms included in the law were key requirements to protect vulnerable populations – including children, pregnant women, the elderly, and chemical industry workers – and to evaluate and review the safety of all new and existing chemicals on the market.

In their letter, the senators raised serious concerns about several steps that the Trump EPA has taken since then to undermine the intent of the law by weakening or openly violating critical safeguards, including allowing chemicals onto the market without reviewing critical information about risks to public health; abandoning its responsibility to protect workers on the job; ignoring real-world exposure to chemicals in our air, water, and food; and withholding public access to critical health and safety information.

"Those reforms were intended to address longstanding structural problems with the original 1976 law that were broadly agreed to have stymied the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) authority to ensure that chemicals in and entering commerce are safe for human health and the environment," **the senators wrote.**

"Sadly, the implementation of the Lautenberg Act has deviated dramatically from Congress' intent and the new law's requirements," **they continued.** The senators detailed "some of the many serious problems with the actions taken by this Administration since January of 2017 – actions that have rendered the law's implementation weaker than even before the 2016 reforms."

"Each of us contributed a great deal of time and energy into the Congressional reform process of TSCA... [with] the goal of restoring public trust in the federal government's ability to protect the public from hazardous chemicals in commerce. Three years later, we are sorely disappointed with the direction the Administration has taken this landmark bipartisan law," **the senators concluded.**

To address their concerns, the senators demanded complete responses to a series of specific oversight questions about the EPA's failure of implementation as soon as possible.

The full text of the letter is available below and HERE.

The Honorable Andrew Wheeler
Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
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Dear Mr. Administrator:

Nearly three years ago, major reforms to the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) were enacted by a strong bipartisan majority of both Houses of Congress, in the form of the Frank R. Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act. Those reforms were intended to address longstanding structural problems with the original 1976 law that were broadly agreed to have stymied the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) authority to ensure that chemicals in and entering commerce are safe for human health and the environment.

These problems included debilitating constraints on EPA's ability to obtain and require the development of sufficient information on chemicals; the lack of a mandate for EPA to review and make affirmative risk findings on new chemicals prior to allowing them onto the market; the limited authority and mandate TSCA gave EPA to review the safety of chemicals already in commerce and regulate those that present unreasonable risk; and EPA's inability to share much of the chemical information it obtains with the public, or in the case of information deemed confidential, to share such information with other levels of government and health and environmental professionals.

The Lautenberg Act made improvements to address each of these problems. Among the many changes:

- *Section 4: enhanced EPA's information authorities by allowing EPA to issue orders to obtain information and removing the original law's requirement that EPA first show potential risk in order to require a company to test a chemical;*
- *Section 5: required EPA to make affirmative safety findings for each new chemical, taking into account reasonably foreseen as well as intended uses of the chemical and requiring EPA to issue binding orders on any new chemical that "may present an unreasonable risk" or lacked sufficient information for EPA to conduct a reasoned evaluation;*
- *Section 6: required EPA to establish a continuous "pipeline" process to prioritize existing chemicals in commerce; subject those deemed high-priority to robust risk evaluations that account for: the full lifecycle of the chemical; its intended, known and reasonably foreseen conditions of use; and its potential risks to all "potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulations" (including children and workers); and impose regulatory restrictions on any chemical found to "present an unreasonable risk" that are sufficient to mitigate those risks; and*
- *Section 14: required companies to substantiate and EPA to review many claims for protection from disclosure of confidential business information (CBI) and where approved to provide that such protection generally expires after 10 years unless a claim is reasserted and reapproved; reiterated that health and safety studies and related information are not eligible for CBI protection, subject to two narrow exceptions; and expanded authorized access to CBI to other levels of government and certain health and environmental professionals.*

Sadly, the implementation of the Lautenberg Act has deviated dramatically from Congress' intent and the new law's requirements. This letter describes some of the many serious problems with the actions taken by this Administration since January of 2017 – actions that have rendered the law's implementation weaker than even before the 2016 reforms.

For each of several major sections of TSCA as amended by the Lautenberg Act, we describe what was intended under the law, and provide some examples of how EPA's implementation has fallen short of or deviated from that intent. For each area of concern, we request EPA's prompt responses to the questions identified.

Section 4: EPA's failure to use its enhanced information authorities under TSCA

One of the areas of greatest bipartisan consensus in TSCA reform was the need to improve EPA's ability to readily obtain more robust information on chemicals, including data on exposure pathways and extent of exposure. It is impossible to ensure the safety of chemicals and protect human health and the environment without having solid information about a chemical's risks. That's just common sense.

Under the 2016 reforms to TSCA, EPA can now readily acquire information where needed to review new chemicals or to prioritize or review the risks of a chemical already on the market. The law also makes clear that EPA can require the development of real-world exposure information.

Yet in the nearly 3 years since passage of TSCA reform, EPA has not once used these new authorities, and seems to be avoiding using them at all costs – even where there are critical information gaps. For example, in a recent draft risk evaluation for Pigment Violet 29, EPA relied exclusively on an unsupported guesstimate from a company representative for the level of workplace exposure to a chemical, rather than using its authority to require actual workplace monitoring.

1. Why has EPA failed to use its information authorities?

2. Is there a policy at the agency that discourages use of such authorities?

3. Is there a policy for determining when such authorities are to be used?

4. Please share any existing policies with the committee by the end of June 2019.

5. EPA received public comments on the first 10 chemicals it is reviewing under TSCA that identified serious information gaps. Yet EPA has already stated publicly that it does not intend to use these authorities for any of the first 10 chemicals. Please explain this decision.

a. *Has EPA documented the basis for its decision not to rely on these authorities with respect to the first 10 chemicals?*

b. *If so, please provide documents related to this decision.*

6. Has EPA considered using any of these information authorities when assessing a new chemical since passage of the Lautenberg Act?

a. *If so, please provide any documentation related to those decisions.*

b. *If not, why EPA has not considered using its information authorities when assessing any of the approximately 2,500 new chemical submissions it has reviewed over this time period?*

c. *Has EPA requested or required—and received—any vertebrate animal or non/vertebrate or non-animal toxicity information?*

The law's vertebrate animal testing provisions in no way limit EPA's testing authorities; they simply call for EPA to rely on methods not involving vertebrate animals where such methods can provide information of equivalent or better scientific quality and relevance than vertebrate animal tests.

7. Does EPA consider that the law in any manner constrains EPA's authority to request or require testing if the needed test is an animal test? If so, please indicate where such a constraint is stated in the law.

8. Has EPA requested or required the use of any tests, whether involving vertebrate animals or not, using its section 4 authorities since passage of the Lautenberg Act?

9. In order for the public to understand how EPA's use of its information authorities affects the information that EPA receives, when and how will EPA make publicly available any:

a. *voluntary exposure and toxicity information it receives for new or existing chemicals,*

b. *any requests or requirements EPA issues regarding new or existing chemicals, and*

c. *exposure or toxicity information it receives as a result of such requests or requirements?*

10. EPA has stated that the agency intends to rely principally or entirely on voluntary submissions of information.

a. *Please describe any steps that the EPA has taken to that it obtains all reasonably available information through voluntary submissions.*

b. *Please describe any steps that the EPA has taken to ensure that all companies with relevant information choose to provide information.*

c. *Please describe any steps that the EPA has taken to ensure that companies do not choose not to provide information that is unfavorable to their chemicals or that they for some other reason do not wish to provide EPA or have be made public.*

11. Does EPA have a written policy or procedure to prevent receiving only incomplete or biased information when relying solely on voluntary submissions? If so, please provide them.

Section 5, part 1: EPA's failure to protect workers when reviewing new chemicals under TSCA

Congress gave EPA authority to regulate chemicals that may present risks to workers when TSCA was first enacted in 1976. Bipartisan TSCA reform in 2016 strengthened this authority by explicitly naming workers as a "potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulation" and requiring that EPA consider and address potential risks to workers when assessing new or existing chemicals.

Every year, industry submits 1,000 or so new chemical notices that EPA must review before the chemicals can enter the market. As part of this review, Congress told EPA to determine whether any of these chemicals "may present an unreasonable risk" to workers, using TSCA's health standard, which is much more stringent than the Occupational Safety and Health Administration's (OSHA) workplace standards. Where potential risks to workers are identified under TSCA, EPA must mitigate or eliminate those risks.

Unfortunately, EPA is failing to carry out the law and is putting the health of American workers in jeopardy. Even where EPA finds a new chemical does or may present serious risks to workers, the agency is allowing that chemical onto the market without imposing any conditions to protect the workers. EPA's only justification for this is that it simply "expects" that workers will protect themselves from harmful workplace exposures by wearing personal protective equipment (PPE) that the company is not required to provide or train workers to use properly. In doing this, EPA is deferring to OSHA regulations that allow workers to be exposed to chemical risks that are a thousand or more times higher than are acceptable under TSCA.

12. Why is EPA failing to carry out its duty to ensure workers are protected under TSCA, and is instead deferring to the much weaker health standards and regulations of OSHA?

13. On what legal basis is EPA allowing, without any conditions or restrictions, new chemicals onto the market that may present risk to workers, when the law clearly requires EPA to regulate such chemicals?

a. *What actual evidence does the agency have that American workers will be sufficiently protected once these chemicals are on the market?*

14. Please promptly provide us with your new chemicals decision-making policies that set forth the legal basis for your decisions regarding worker safety, along with any evidence that workers are being sufficiently protected under your approach. If you lack any such written policies or evidence, please explain why EPA has consistently applied this approach to so many of its recent new chemicals decisions?

Section 5, part 2: EPA's failure to adequately identify and review "reasonably foreseen" conditions of use when reviewing new chemicals under TSCA

When reviewing a new chemical, EPA is directed by statute to examine the chemical under its "conditions of use," defined in TSCA as "the circumstances, as determined by the Administrator, under which a chemical substance is intended, known, or reasonably foreseen to be manufactured, processed, distributed in commerce, used, or disposed of." In the context of new chemicals, Congress's inclusion of a requirement for EPA to examine "reasonably foreseen" activities is particularly noteworthy. Where EPA determines that a new chemical "is not likely to present an unreasonable risk" and the notifying company commences manufacture, that chemical is then placed on the TSCA Inventory and other companies can make or use that chemical at will without any notification to or review by EPA. Such a chemical may be produced or used in amounts or in ways that the original company did not intend at the time it first notified EPA of the new chemical. The risks of these additional activities, in combination with those from the originally intended activities, could well increase to a point where EPA would find that the chemical "presents" or "may present" an unreasonable risk. Hence it is vital that EPA consider both intended and reasonably foreseen activities in its initial review.

Unfortunately, EPA has attempted to skirt this requirement for an integrated assessment of both intended and reasonably foreseen conditions of use in several ways that are contrary to what TSCA requires:

- *For most new chemicals EPA has reviewed in recent months, it simply asserts there are no such reasonably foreseen uses.*
- *For most of the small subset of such new chemicals where EPA does identify a reasonably foreseen use, it merely states without providing any analysis that it expects that use to present no greater risk than the intended use. By doing this, EPA not only fails to demonstrate that the reasonably foreseen use is not likely to present an unreasonable risk; it also fails to consider that the combination of use could present such a risk.*
- *For the remaining few new chemicals where EPA does identify a reasonably foreseen use and identifies some potential concern with that use, EPA has separately promulgated a Significant New Use Rule (SNUR) that requires a company to notify EPA prior to engaging in that reasonably foreseen use. However, in these SNURs, EPA has not made clear that it would assess the potential exposure and risks from that use in combination with the already approved intended uses as part of its review of any such notice.*

None of these recent policy changes to EPA's examination of new chemicals' conditions of use has been made public or subject to a public comment opportunity. While certain aspects of the third case outlined above appear to mirror aspects of EPA's November 2017 "decision-making framework" that was subject to public comment, EPA has never responded to those public comments, and when a lawsuit challenged that earlier framework, EPA did not apply the framework until the lawsuit was dismissed, apparently to evade judicial review of the framework.

15. Why has EPA implemented these new "reasonably foreseen" policies for months now without publicly describing them and allowing the public an opportunity to comment on them?

16. We expect that EPA has put its new policies and procedures in writing for internal use. Please provide us with copies. If written copies are not available, please explain how EPA is making decisions concerning new chemicals without such written policies.

17. What are EPA's plans to publish and take public comment on its current decision-making framework, including the legal and scientific justifications for it?

18. On what statutory basis does EPA believe it has authority to separate its consideration of potential risks arising from intended vs. reasonably foreseen conditions of use of a new chemical, given TSCA's clear mandate that they be assessed together?

Section 6: EPA's failure to assess even known conditions of use and pathways of exposure in conducting risk evaluations of existing chemicals under TSCA

The 2016 reforms to TSCA strengthened EPA's authority and mandate to conduct comprehensive, robust evaluations of potential risks posed by chemicals in commerce. As mentioned above, EPA is required to determine whether a chemical substance, as a whole, presents an unreasonable risk under its conditions of use. To do so, EPA must evaluate potential risks arising from activities across the entire lifecycle of a chemical, and it must consider all "known" and "reasonably foreseen" circumstances, not just those "intended" by a company making or using a chemical.

Yet EPA has sought in numerous ways to limit the scope of its risk evaluations and risk determinations. First, in its final Risk Evaluation Rule, EPA reversed course from its proposed rule and asserted sweeping authority to pick and choose what activities and what exposures it includes in its risk evaluation of a chemical. EPA claimed it could ignore any exposure to a chemical that also falls under the authority of another agency, such as OSHA, regardless of whether that agency has actually taken any action to mitigate the risks of the chemical. EPA also stated that it will exclude what it called "legacy" activities associated with a chemical. Even when a chemical is still being used or disposed of, EPA asserted that it could ignore exposures from those "legacy" activities if a chemical was not being actively manufactured for those uses. For example, EPA will ignore known exposures to: flame retardants that have been voluntarily phased out but are still present in millions of items of furniture still in active use; and to asbestos in insulation that remains in place in millions of homes, schools and other buildings. EPA will not only be ignoring exposures that clearly contribute to ongoing risks, it will do so even

where no law or regulation prevents companies from resuming production of a chemical that has been voluntarily phased out.

But EPA has not stopped there. It has already begun to conduct risk evaluations that exclude most or all pathways of exposure to a chemical that fall under the jurisdiction of another statute that EPA administers. This means EPA will not account for the human health or environmental risks of releases and exposures to chemicals in air, surface, ground or drinking water, or wastes, no matter how they are disposed of. Not only will EPA ignore the contribution to overall exposure of environmental releases that are actually regulated under another law; it will also do so when no regulation has been issued at all for a chemical under another law--merely because EPA could in principle regulate the chemical in the future.

The magnitude of the exposures EPA is zeroing out of its risk evaluations is enormous. For just seven of the first 10 chemicals undergoing risk evaluations under TSCA, EPA's own data indicate that 66 million pounds are released every year to the air, water and land – even after accounting for any regulations of these chemicals in place under another law.

Finally, while TSCA requires EPA to determine whether a chemical as a whole, not individual uses of a chemical, poses an unreasonable risk, EPA has asserted that it can make use-by-use determinations of no unreasonable risk, without ever considering the combined exposures from multiple uses of the same chemical.

All of these assertions of authority are contrary to both the letter and the spirit of reformed TSCA, which was intended to ensure that EPA's chemical risk assessments accounted for chemical exposures in the real world, where people are exposed to chemicals at work and at home, and through air, water and food as well as through the use of products.

19. How does EPA's exclusion of known uses and exposures to chemicals represent use of the "best available science," as required under TSCA section 26(h)?

20. How is EPA complying with TSCA section 26(k)'s requirement that EPA consider all reasonably available information when EPA ignores known uses and exposures to chemicals?

21. Please identify the specific language in TSCA that authorizes EPA to make risk determinations on individual uses of a chemical, rather than on the chemical as a whole, thereby not accounting for the potential for people or the environment to be exposed to a chemical in multiple ways.

22. Please identify the specific language in TSCA that authorizes EPA not to account for exposures from use or disposal of a chemical where that chemical is not currently manufactured for such a use.

23. How will EPA ensure that it meets its obligation under TSCA to protect against unreasonable risk, including risk to vulnerable subpopulations, if it defers to other agencies or EPA-administered statutes that use health standards that differ significantly from TSCA's and do not require protection of vulnerable subpopulations?

24. While EPA has announced these policies in its final framework rule and risk evaluation scopes and problem formulations, EPA has provided relatively little explanation of the legal basis for these approaches. Does EPA have a more robust legal analysis justifying these approaches? If so, please provide it/them.

Section 14: EPA's failure to provide timely public access to non-confidential information and access by eligible parties to confidential business information under TSCA

A key aim of TSCA even as originally enacted in 1976 was to ensure there is adequate information available on the potential health and environmental effects of chemicals. Congress clearly identified this aim in the first item articulated in TSCA's policy section 2(b)(1). TSCA also called on EPA to play a central role in providing broad access to such information on chemicals, while protecting legitimate confidential business information (CBI). Both roles are specified in TSCA section 14.

The 2016 TSCA amendments made major changes to section 14, enhancing requirements for companies' assertion and substantiation, and EPA's review, of CBI claims; for providing public access to chemical information; and for providing expanded access to CBI:

- *CBI claims must be asserted at the time information is submitted to EPA. Except for certain specific types of information, all CBI claims must also be substantiated at that time.*
- *Health and safety studies and their underlying information are not eligible for CBI protection, subject to two narrow exceptions.*
- *EPA must review all CBI claims made to protect a chemical's identity, and at least 25% of all other types of CBI claims, except for those specifically exempted from substantiation. EPA must conduct its review and make a determination on each CBI claim within 90 days of its receipt. Any claim approved expires after 10 years unless reasserted and reviewed and approved by EPA.*
- *A public "unique identifier" must be assigned to any confidential chemical identity and used to "tag" all other information EPA has or receives on that chemical.*
- *Subject to certain conditions, EPA is to provide access to CBI by state, local and tribal governments, associated health and environmental professionals, medical personnel and first responders.*
- *EPA is to establish a "request and notification system" to provide "expedient and swift access" to CBI by government-associated health and environmental professionals, medical personnel and first responders.*

These provisions of amended TSCA were immediately effective. Yet nearly three years after enactment, there is little evidence that EPA is effectively implementing these provisions or requiring compliance with them. Foremost among our concerns is EPA's failure to provide any means for the public to know about and have confidence in the extent of EPA CBI reviews, the determinations being reached, and the provision of access to information the law requires be provided. Some specific examples are listed below:

- *EPA has provided no public accounting of how many CBI claims it has received and for what types of information; how many claims it has reviewed and within what timeframe; or the outcomes of any of the claim reviews it has conducted.*
- *While section 26(j) of TSCA requires EPA to make all of its determinations public, EPA has yet to do so for even a single CBI claim determination.*
- *Last December, EPA for the first time published a list of "unique identifiers" it had assigned to chemicals for the identities of which it had approved CBI claims. The list contained only 157 entries, and the most recent assignment dated back to August 2017, more than 18 months ago. Yet EPA has allowed the identities of hundreds of additional chemicals to be hidden from the public without assigning a unique identifier. For example, as of the end of January of this year, EPA had failed to assign a unique identifier to at least 270 new chemicals that have commenced manufacture and that are identified only by a generic name indicating EPA has allowed the specific name to be kept confidential.*
- *EPA appears to have made no progress at all toward establishing the "request and notification system" required under TSCA section 14(g)(3). That system is vital to ensuring that government-associated health and environmental professionals, medical personnel and first responders can gain access to confidential information they need to do their jobs.*

Meanwhile, EPA has withheld health and safety studies or their underlying information from the public pertaining to the first chemical subject to a risk evaluation under TSCA, called Pigment Violet 29. Initially EPA erroneously asserted that such information was eligible for CBI protection under TSCA and was being withheld from the public on that basis. When that argument was rebutted, EPA acknowledged it had erred – but then came up with a different legal theory for withholding information that Congress clearly intended be publicly accessible.

Stakeholders report that when they have raised concerns about many of these issues to EPA staff, they have repeatedly been told that the agency does not have sufficient resources to carry out its duties under section 14. Yet comments received by the agency on its proposed user fee rule pointed to EPA's severe underestimation of its costs for implementing these requirements of amended TSCA and urged EPA both to provide a fuller accounting of its expenses and to increase the amount of fees it was to collect to help offset these costs. Despite these concerns being voiced, EPA made no changes either to its cost estimate or to its fee structure.

25. When can we expect to see real progress in the agency's meeting its duties under TSCA section 14? Specifically:

a. *When will EPA provide a public accounting of how many CBI claims it has received and for what types of information; how many claims it has reviewed and within what timeframe; and the outcomes of (i.e., determinations on) the claim reviews it has conducted, as required?*

b. *b. When will EPA make public a current and complete list of "unique identifiers" for chemical identities for which EPA has approved CBI claims, which are essential for the public to identify other information EPA has on those chemicals?*
c. *c. When will government-associated health and environmental professionals, medical personnel and first responders be able to access the confidential information they need to do their jobs through the "request and notification system" for CBI access required under TSCA?*
d. *d. When will EPA make public health and safety studies and associated information on chemicals, which are not eligible for protection as CBI under TSCA?*

Each of us contributed a great deal of time and energy into the Congressional reform process of TSCA with a wide variety of stakeholders from the environmental, health and business sectors. We all had the goal of restoring public trust in the federal government's ability to protect the public from hazardous chemicals in commerce. Three years later, we are sorely disappointed with the direction the Administration has taken this landmark bipartisan law. Your response to these questions in a timely manner would be appreciated so we can begin the process of turning implementation of the new TSCA in the right direction.

Respectfully,

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/5/2017 5:37:37 PM
To: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: JAHAN/NANCY: Follow-up Response to Gary Stoll, CT Health Investigative Network, on Glyphosate - DDL ASAP

BACKGROUND:

The agency doesn't speak on behalf of Scientific Advisory Panels – or vice-versa. The program recommends Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) – Gary Stoll – CT Health Investigative Network – Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

RESPONSE:

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Thursday, June 29, 2017 8:32 AM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: DEADLINE EXCEEDED for Media Questions

Checking with the program to see if Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

> **From:** Gary Stoller <Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)>
> **Date:** June 28, 2017 at 5:27:34 PM EDT
> **To:** "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
> **Subject: Re: DEADLINE EXCEEDED for Media Questions**
>
> Hi Robert: How could the EPA Scientific Advisory Panel conclude that glyphosate is "not likely to be carcinogenic to humans" if some panel members agreed with this characterization, while other Panel members felt that the better descriptor for glyphosate is "suggestive evidence of carcinogenic potential"?
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> Thank you.
>
> Gary Stoller
> CT Health Investigative Team
> Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

On Mon, Jun 26, 2017 at 8:50 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Dear Gary, with apologies for the delay and for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

EPA is currently re-evaluating the safety of glyphosate via a program called registration review. This re-evaluation process occurs every 15 years and is mandated by federal law. As part of registration review, EPA performed an in-depth review of the cancer database for glyphosate. All studies considered by the United Nation's International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) were included in this review, as well as additional studies from Japan, Europe, and South America, and additional studies identified from the open literature. The available data led EPA to conclude in our draft assessment that glyphosate is not likely to be carcinogenic in people at doses relevant for human health risk assessment.

In December 2016, EPA convened its FIFRA Scientific Advisory Panel (SAP) to review and comment on our draft findings that glyphosate is not likely to be carcinogenic to humans at doses relevant for human health risk assessment. The FIFRA SAP serves as the primary external scientific peer review mechanism of the EPA's Office Pesticide Programs and is structured to provide scientific advice, information, and recommendations to EPA on pesticides and pesticide-related issues. Meeting materials from the December 2016 SAP can be found athttps://www.epa.gov/sap/meeting-materials-december-13-16-2016-scientific-advisory-panel.

Once EPA has completed its consideration of the SAP report and made any appropriate changes to our risk assessment, we intend to release the draft human health and ecological risk assessments for a 60-day public comment period. We are currently scheduled to complete the draft risk assessments in 2017. After consideration of the public comments on the draft risk assessments, EPA will determine whether any risk management is needed.

On Jun 26, 2017, at 2:43 PM, Gary Stoller <Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)> wrote:

I am writing the story now. I need a response asap.

Thanks,

Gary

Gary Stoller

On Mon, Jun 26, 2017 at 2:35 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Dear Gary, with apologies for the delay as I've only returned to the office today – and Christie, with whom you've been working, is out - but we are still very much working on a response.

Is there any way you can extend your deadline? What's the very latest we could get back to you and when are you planning to publish?

Thanks in advance, R.

From: Gary Stoller <Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)>
Date: June 26, 2017 at 1:30:34 PM EDT
To: "StClair, Christie" <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Subject: DEADLINE EXCEEDED for Media Questions

Hi Christie; I have received no responses from you or the press office. I will have to say that EPA officials refused to comment on glyphosate matters, the limits the agency established, or whether the public and homeowners should be concerned about their safety.

I would prefer immediate comment.

Thank you.

Gary Stoller

Journalist

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Message

From: StClair, Christie [StClair.Christie@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/5/2017 2:03:57 PM
To: Hull, George [Hull.George@epa.gov]; Graham, Amy [graham.amy@epa.gov]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: JAHAN/NANCY - FOR REVIEW: Response to Ensia Re: Vapor Intrusion sites

Could one of you please review this proposed response? Thanks - Christie

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From: Hull, George
Sent: Tuesday, June 27, 2017 11:54 AM
To: Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: FOR REVIEW: Response to Ensia Re: Vapor Intrusion sites

Hi Amy,
Just circling back to check in on this one. Thanks, George

From: Hull, George
Sent: Monday, June 26, 2017 2:53 PM
To: Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>; Ortiz, Julia <Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov>; StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: FOR REVIEW: Response to Ensia Re: Vapor Intrusion sites

Amy,
Here is a revised version of the response. This has been shortened, per your request. Let me know if this works. Thanks, George

Background:

The reporter has been assigned a broad story about vapor intrusion for Harvard's Ensia magazine. She is looking for a simple tally of VI sites, but the issue spans three offices within the Office of Land and Emergency Management: Brownfields, Superfund and The Office of Resource Conservation and Recovery (ORCR). Each has a very different approach.

Reporter: Lynn Peeple's, Ensia, lpeeples@post.harvard.edu.

Suggested response:

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From: Graham, Amy
Sent: Friday, June 23, 2017 5:33 PM
To: Ortiz, Julia <Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov>; StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: FOR REVIEW: Response to Ensia Re: Vapor Intrusion sites

Sorry, but we need to cut this way down to one paragraph on what each office does. Since we've already missed the deadline we can revisit on Monday.

From: Ortiz, Julia
Sent: Friday, June 23, 2017 5:30 PM
To: StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: FOR REVIEW: Response to Ensia Re: Vapor Intrusion sites

Resending.

From: StClair, Christie
Sent: Friday, June 23, 2017 12:09 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: FOR REVIEW: Response to Ensia Re: Vapor Intrusion sites

Background:

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Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) Reporter: Lynn Peeple's, Ensia, lpeeples@post.harvard.edu.

Suggested response:

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On Jun 19, 2017, at 6:13 PM, Lynne Peeples <lpeeples@post.harvard.edu> wrote:

Good afternoon,

I'm reporting on vapor intrusion for Ensia Magazine and looking for an estimate of the number of sites in the U.S. impacted by vapor intrusion. Please let me know if one of you might be able to point me to any relevant figures -- by Thursday. Thanks so much for your time and help.

Lynne

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/5/2017 1:12:22 PM
To: vanessa.zainzinger@chemicalwatch.com
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: Subject: Re: Chemical Watch article about Safer Choice

Dear Vanessa, with apologies for the delay and for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

To qualify for the Safer Choice label, manufacturers may only use chemicals that meet the Safer Choice safer chemical criteria. These criteria are pass-fail thresholds for a broad range of human health and environmental endpoints, based in large part on EPA's TSCA New Chemicals Program low-concern methodologies. The criteria apply to all product ingredients—there's no *de minimis*—including all proprietary supplier ingredients and subcomponents (e.g., ingredient preservatives). To bear the Safer Choice label, products must also meet Safer Choice whole-product criteria for the product's combined wet-chemical content, and for ingredient communication, packaging and performance. Safer Choice developed its Standard and safer-chemical criteria through a multi-stakeholder, notice and comment standard-setting process.

500 product manufacturers use the Safer Choice label on approximately 2,000 products that include all-purpose cleaners, laundry detergents, and drain-line maintainers. See the list: https://www.epa.gov/saferchoice/products.

Chemical manufacturers have developed safer surfactants, solvents, chelators, and other chemicals to meet the Safer Choice criteria. They are using EPA's Safer Chemical Ingredients List (SCIL), which now includes more than 800 chemicals that can be used to make products that would bear the Safer Choice label. More information: https://www.epa.gov/saferchoice/safer-ingredients.

More information about the program: https://www.epa.gov/saferchoice

Regards, R.

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Message

From: Roni Dengler Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: 6/28/2017 4:54:50 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Interview request from PBS NewsHour

Afternoon Robert,

Yes, Roni is fine, thanks!

My questions regard what kinds of actions the EPA or other government entities might be taking toward decreasing risk to pollinator health from pesticides, specifically in relation to neonicotinoids and bees.

Given the data surrounding the detrimental impacts of neonicotinoids to bee health, *people are now asking what's next.*

Are we going to remediate this problem in the U.S., and if so, *how*?

Some other questions are as follows:

1. The EU placed a moratorium on neonicotinoid use. What kind of possibility exists for this to happen in the U.S.?
2. Last year, the Obama administration released the Pollinator Partnership Action Plan. Why doesn't this include a moratorium on neonicotinoids? What kind of progress has been made since its release?
3. What other options exist for farmers to protect crops other than neonics? What are the pros and cons of these options, especially in terms of economic impact to growers.
4. An EPA fact sheet report from 2003 outlines the toxicity of these pesticides to bees and their solubility in water and potential to leak into groundwater. What drove the decision to OK this for use?
5. A review of neonic pesticides is currently underway. What is the progress on this? How long might it take to implement proposed policies after its completion in 2018? Is this even a possibility?

I am available this afternoon. You can reach me at Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP).

This piece is slated to publish tomorrow at 2:00pm. Obviously, the sooner I can hear from people, the better.

I appreciate any insight or help you can provide. Thanks again!

Kind regards,
Roni

On Wed, Jun 28, 2017 at 12:28 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

> Good afternoon Roni (if I may and please, call me Robert),

I'm a media officer and not a subject-matter expert, so I wouldn't be able to give you comments for attribution. But if you send me specific questions, as well as a hard deadline, I'll forward them to the relevant program office and see what we can do for you.

Would that work? Do you have a few minutes to chat this afternoon?

Thanks, R.

From: Roni Dengler [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Wednesday, June 28, 2017 12:24 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Interview request from PBS NewsHour

Greetings Mr. Daguillard,

I'm pursuing a news story for our website about bees and pesticides and am hoping to include perspective from the EPA.

Are you available for a brief interview this afternoon (Wednesday) or tomorrow morning? My questions are straight forward, so the interview should only require 10-15 minutes. Alternatively, we can conduct an electronic interview if you'd prefer.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration. I look forward to hearing from you!

All the best,

Roni Dengler

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 6/29/2017 12:32:15 PM
To: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: Fwd: DEADLINE EXCEEDED for Media Questions

Checking with the program to see if Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

> **From:** Gary Stoller <Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)>
> **Date:** June 28, 2017 at 5:27:34 PM EDT
> **To:** "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
> **Subject: Re: DEADLINE EXCEEDED for Media Questions**
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>
> Thank you.
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> Gary Stoller
> CT Health Investigative Team
> Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
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Sent: 6/27/2017 2:58:51 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]; Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: AMY/JAHAN: DEADLINE EXCEEDED for Media Questions

No – he can use "EPA spokesperson"

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Tuesday, June 27, 2017 7:42 AM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: AMY/JAHAN: DEADLINE EXCEEDED for Media Questions

Good morning Amy,

Any reason not to give him your name – or that of someone else on your Third Floor team?

From: Gary Stoller [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Monday, June 26, 2017 10:25 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: DEADLINE EXCEEDED for Media Questions

Thanks, Robert. I prefer putting a name to a story. Something doesn't sound right about "an EPA spokesperson" said. And hasn't the President continually said that he does not believe an unnamed sources?

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Subject: RE: LINDA ACTION: The Cannabiz Journal re: EPA/Washington State Special Local Need Fertilizer/Pesticides for Cannabis Approvals

Yes

Nancy Grantham
Office of Public Affairs
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202-564-6879 (desk)
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Reporter: David Heldreth, The Cannabiz Journal, Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

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DDL: 6/22

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Sent: 6/22/2017 7:06:59 PM
To: Ezra Romero [eromero@kvpr.org]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: NPR CenCal - Press Inquiry about Food Waste

Hi Ezra,

Off the record: EPA doesn't work on produce standards, so we wouldn't have much to offer for an interview. Try reaching out to the Food Waste Reduction Alliance, Grocery Manufacturers Association, or Food Marking Institute.

For attribution to an agency spokesperson:

Wasted food is a growing problem in our modern society. The amount of food Americans throw away each year is staggering. In 2014 alone, more than 38 million tons of food waste was generated, with only 5.1 percent diverted from landfills and incinerators for composting. EPA estimates that more food reaches landfills and incinerators than any other single material in our everyday trash, constituting 21.6 percent of discarded municipal solid waste. Additionally, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) reports that Americans wasted over one third of the vegetables and fruit bought in 2010.

Worldwide, the story isn't much different. The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) estimated in 2011 that approximately one-third of all food produced for human consumption is lost or wasted. While this may seem like a problem that is too large to handle, taking simple steps in your everyday life can make a difference in reducing this issue. Reducing wasted food is a triple win; it's good for the environment, for communities, and for the economy.

For more information on EPA's work on the Sustainable Management of Food, visit: https://www.epa.gov/sustainable-management-food

Thanks,
Christie

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Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
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Thank you Christie!

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Subject: RE: FOR REVIEW: Response to NPR CenCal RE: Food Waste (DDL COB 6/23)

Good to go

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Subject: FOR REVIEW: Response to NPR CenCal RE: Food Waste (DDL COB 6/23)

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Suggested response:

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Sent: 6/22/2017 5:16:57 PM
To: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Re: Question on environmental justice grants

From: Lynn, Tricia
Sent: Thursday, June 22, 2017 12:48 PM
To: 'oliver.milman@theguardian.com' <oliver.milman@theguardian.com>
Subject: Re: Question on environmental justice grants

Oliver—

For attribution to "an EPA spokesperson:"

The agency anticipates issuing a request for proposals for the 2017 EJSG cycle later this summer and awarding grants in the fall.

Best,

Tricia

From: Oliver Milman [mailto:oliver.milman@theguardian.com]
Sent: Wednesday, June 21, 2017 10:14 AM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Question on environmental justice grants

Thanks Tricia. Can I ask a supplemental please - will these grants be paid out this year and if so when will the decisions be made over recipients?

Many thanks

Oliver

On 20 June 2017 at 17:01, Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov> wrote:

> Hi Oliver—
>
> Thanks so much for your patience. If attributing, please attribute to "an EPA spokesperson."
>
> *The environmental justice small grants (EJSG) are awarded every other year, and were last awarded in 2015.*
>
> Best,

Tricia

Tricia Lynn

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From: Oliver Milman [mailto:oliver.milman@theguardian.com]
Sent: Wednesday, June 14, 2017 3:10 PM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Question on environmental justice grants

Hi Tricia

just have a quick question on environmental justice grants - the 2016 grants haven't been listed (only goes up to 2015) - https://www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice/environmental-justice-small-grants-program

Any idea where I can get that information?

Many thanks,

Oliver

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To: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: : Press Inquiry about Radiation

From: Lynn, Tricia
Sent: Thursday, June 22, 2017 1:06 PM
To: 'rod_adams@atomicinsights.com' <rod_adams@atomicinsights.com>
Subject: RE: : Press Inquiry about Radiation

Hi Rod—

For attribution to "an EPA spokesperson."

The PAG Manual emphasizes that PAGs are not meant to be applied as strict numeric criteria, but rather as guidelines to be considered in the context of incident-specific factors. The Manual encourages radiological assessors to "utilize realistic inputs when site- or-source-specific information is available to limit the amount of conservatism built into the calculations."

There are a number of training resources available for the PAG Manual, such as EPA webinars, Federal Emergency Management Agency courses on radiation emergencies and Federal Radiological Monitoring and Assessment Center (FRMAC) training for assessment scientists. EPA has reached out to states and other responsible authorities about these available training courses.

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Tricia:

Thank you for the response. How does the EPA communicate the intentional flexibility to local decision makers? Is there a training program for responsible personnel?

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> Hi Rod—
>
> On background: The relevant guidance in the PAG Manual is actually intentionally flexible to account for local factors. When the Federal Radiological Monitoring and Assessment Center (FRMAC) provides an initial map with a projected relocation area, the dose projection does not account for shielding. Dose assessors can then refine the map to account for locally accurate shielding factors from typical buildings as well as for time spent indoors.

Best,

Tricia

Tricia Lynn
Office of Public Affairs
U.S. EPA
Office: 202.564.2615

From: Rod Adams [mailto:rod_adams@atomicinsights.com]
Sent: Tuesday, June 20, 2017 5:25 AM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Press Inquiry about Radiation

Dear Ms. Lynn:

I'm working on a story for Forbes with a publication deadline of close of business today.

During my research I discovered what appears to be a significant conflict in advice given in the Protective Action Manual: Protective Action Guides and Planning Guidance for Radiological Incidents. I'm referring to the document posted at (https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2017-01/documents/epa_pag_manual_final_revisions_01-11-2017_cover_disclaimer_8.pdf)

The conflict is between the explanatory text on page 41 and a footnote in Table 4-1 on page 42.

Here is what the p. 41 text says:

> Relocation is **highly disruptive** and therefore **only** implemented when the dose is sufficiently high to warrant it. The PAG for relocation is 2 rem (20 mSv) projected over the first year of exposure. After the first year, the PAG for relocation is 0.5 rem (5 mSv) per year.
> The PAG level for relocation applies to doses that can be avoided by relocation; doses already incurred prior to relocation are not included in the calculations. PAGs for protection from deposited radioactivity during the intermediate phase are summarized in Table 4-1. The decision to relocate will be considered on a case-by-case basis. **Efforts to decontaminate and remediate the contaminated area and the shielding offered by buildings and the residency factor attributable to the building, must be considered** to see if either relocation PAG will be exceeded.

However, after those logical cautions about implementing a relocation order and the requirement to consider efforts and shielding that will reduce projected doses before drawing the relocation boundaries, footnote "c" in Table 4-1 says the following:

> Projected dose refers to the dose that would be received, by default, **in the absence of shielding** from structures or the **application of dose reduction techniques**.

In the event of a radiological contamination event, if decision makers do not consider shielding or simple dose reduction techniques, they will draw far larger boundaries around permanent relocation areas and force a far greater level of disruption.

In a recent lengthy study, experts from the NRC determined that the shielding factor should be at least a factor of 5 because without even modifying behavior, a normal routine puts people indoors for 81% of the day.

Can you help me resolve the conflict and understand the EPA guidance?

Thank you for your prompt attention.

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 6/15/2017 12:02:12 PM
To: CNS SF Federal [sanfran@courthousenews.com]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Courthouse News Service - pesticides lawsuit (DDL: 4 pm PT)

Good morning Nick,

For attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please, but EPA doesn't comment on pending litigation.

Warm regards, R.

From: CNS San Francisco Fed [mailto:sanfran@courthousenews.com]
Sent: Wednesday, June 14, 2017 12:32 PM
To: Zito, Kelly <ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV>
Subject: pesticides lawsuit

Hi Kelly,

This is Nick from Courthouse News Service in San Francisco. I'm writing about a lawsuit filed against the EPA in federal court in San Francisco today. Here are the details:

case # 3:17cv3434
Plaintiffs: Pineros Y Campesinos Unidos Del Noroeste; United Farm Workers; Farmworker Association Of Florida; California Rural Legal Assistance Foundation; Pesticide Action Network North America
Defendants: Scott Pruit; EPA

Allegations: The EPA has unreasonably delayed establishing new rules that require proper training and certification for those who handle restricted use pesticides, "the most toxic" type of pesticides. Defendants failed to justify the delay, provide an adequate opportunity for public comment, or consult with other agencies about the decision.

I'm looking for a comment from the EPA on this. My deadline is 4 p.m.

Thanks,

Nicholas Iovino
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Message

From: Kevin Bogardus [kbogardus@eenews.net]
Sent: 6/5/2017 2:11:50 AM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named First Time Fellow from Government

Thanks Enesta. I would just ask Al how does it feel to be named an AERE fellow; what does being an AERE fellow exactly entail; and what is his job at EPA. I would also check some bio stuff from his LinkedIn profile (https://www.linkedin.com/in/al-mcgartland-161689a/). That's pretty much it. Thanks again and talk to you tomorrow.

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From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Sunday, June 04, 2017 12:45 PM
To: Kevin Bogardus
Cc: Jones, Enesta
Subject: Re: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named First Time Fellow from Government

Hi Kevin,

Based on the high points below, please send over some specific questions you'll have of Al -- in advance of the interview. Thanks!

- Dr. Albert McGartland is the federal government's first economist to be named a Fellow of the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (AERE).
- Dr. McGartland is Director of EPA's National Center for Environmental Economics.
- This prestigious honor recognizes outstanding contributions to the advancement of the profession of environmental and resource economics.
- The honor was announced on June 1 during AERE's Summer Conference in Pittsburgh, Pa.
- AERE is the leading association for environmental economics, with more than 1,000 members from over 30 countries, representing academia, and the public and private sectors.

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"The root of all joy is gratefulness."

On Jun 4, 2017, at 10:23 AM, Kevin Bogardus <kbogardus@eenews.net> wrote:

> Thanks Enesta. You can call me on my office line, 202-446-0401. Talk to you tomorrow. Thanks again.
>
> -Kevin
>
> Sent from my iPhone
>
> On Jun 4, 2017, at 10:18 AM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:
>
>> Hey Kevin,
>>
>> Hope you are enjoying this beautiful Sunday!
>>
>> What's the best number to reach you on for the interview tomorrow?

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"The root of all joy is gratefulness."

On Jun 1, 2017, at 10:50 AM, Kevin Bogardus <kbogardus@eenews.net> wrote:

> All right, 11:30 am Monday it is. Talk to you then!
>
> **Kevin Bogardus**
> E&E News Reporter
> kbogardus@eenews.net

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From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 10:42 AM
To: Kevin Bogardus
Subject: Re: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named First Time Fellow from Government

11:30? He has a 10:30 meeting that may run over.

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On Jun 1, 2017, at 10:41 AM, Kevin Bogardus <kbogardus@eenews.net> wrote:

> Can we do 11 am?
>
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From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 10:38 AM
To: Kevin Bogardus
Subject: RE: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named First Time Fellow from Government

Any time between 7:30-8:30? Or after 11 a.m.?

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From: Kevin Bogardus [mailto:kbogardus@eenews.net]
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 10:36 AM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named First Time Fellow from Government

Can we do 10 am on Monday?

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From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 10:26 AM
To: Kevin Bogardus
Subject: RE: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named First Time Fellow from Government

Kevin,
We need to move it to Monday. What time works for you? Also, by then you'll have the pr so you can please send us specific questions in advance.

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From: Kevin Bogardus [mailto:kbogardus@eenews.net]
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 9:19 AM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named First Time Fellow from Government

Great. That works for me. Talk to you then!

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From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 9:16 AM
To: Kevin Bogardus
Subject: Re: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named First Time Fellow from Government

Hi Kevin,
We'll call you at 2:30 p.m.

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"The root of all joy is gratefulness."

On May 31, 2017, at 5:24 PM, Kevin Bogardus <kbogardus@eenews.net> wrote:

> Any update on this, Enesta? Let me know. Thanks.
>
> Also, since I'm working from home tomorrow, please email me here or call my cell phone at Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
>
> Thanks again for your help. Talk to you later.
>
> -Kevin
>
> ---
>
> **From:** Kevin Bogardus
> **Sent:** Wednesday, May 31, 2017 10:53 AM
> **To:** 'Jones, Enesta' <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** RE: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named First Time Fellow from Government
>
> Thanks for the pitch, Enesta. Yeah, I'm interested in this. Give me a call at Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) Thanks again.
>
> -Kevin
>
> ---
>
> **From:** Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
> **Sent:** Wednesday, May 31, 2017 5:53 AM
> **To:** Kevin Bogardus <kbogardus@eenews.net>
> **Cc:** Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** PITCH: EPA Staffer Named First Time Fellow from Government
>
> Hi Kevin,
>
> Hope all is well.
>
> I have a story idea that I would like to pitch to you. It is under embargo until June 1.

One of our staffers has been named a Fellow for the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (AERE). This honor recognizes the most distinguished "individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the advancement of the profession of environmental and resource economics." AERE is the leading association for environmental economics; it has more than 1,000 members from over 30 countries, representing academia, and the public and private sectors. He is the first Fellow from government.

Are you interested in an interview, or at least writing a blurb about it?

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/30/2017 3:46:46 PM
To: Milbourn, Cathy [Milbourn.Cathy@epa.gov]; Katelyn Harrop Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Reporter on deadline: Dwindling Bee Populations

Katelyn, for attribution to Julia Valentine or to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

To get the current state of the bee population contact USDA which tracks bee health (the USDA/APHIS Beltsville Bee Lab would be a good contact) and the number of colonies. See also the USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service data

To get information on what is being done by EPA: https://www.epa.gov/pollinator-protection/epa-actions-protect-pollinators

Thanks, R.

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From: Milbourn, Cathy
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 2:13 PM
To: Katelyn Harrop < Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) >
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Reporter on deadline: Dwindling Bee Populations

Hi Katelyn- someone will get back to you.

Cathy

From: Katelyn Harrop [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 2:10 PM
To: Milbourn, Cathy <Milbourn.Cathy@epa.gov>
Subject: Reporter on deadline: Dwindling Bee Populations

Hello Ms. Milbourn,

I am a reporter working on a story regarding General Mill's #BringBacktheBees campaign to bring awareness to declining bee populations.

I am asking for a short statement regarding the current state of bee populations in the U.S., why it is important for people to pay attention to be populations, what can be done, what's being done, and what might happen if bee's are not tended to.

I am on deadline for this piece, so I am looking for a comment within the next hour and a half. I can also be contacted by phone: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Thank you,

Katelyn Harrop

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/29/2017 8:48:47 PM
To: dena.aubin@thomsonreuters.com
Subject: EPA RESPONSE: lawsuit

Dena, for attribution to Julia Valentine, or to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

The agency is not commenting at this time.

Thanks, R.

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From: Milbourn, Cathy
Sent: Wednesday, March 22, 2017 11:24 AM
To: Dena.Aubin@thomsonreuters.com
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: lawsuit

Hi Dena, someone will get back to you.

From: Dena.Aubin@thomsonreuters.com [mailto:Dena.Aubin@thomsonreuters.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 22, 2017 10:30 AM
To: Milbourn, Cathy <Milbourn.Cathy@epa.gov>
Subject: lawsuit

Cathy – do you have a comment on the lawsuit filed yesterday in the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals challenging the EPA's approval of the Enlist Duo Herbicide?

http://www.centerforfoodsafety.org/files/petition-for-review_00665.pdf

Thanks very much. My deadline is 2 pm eastern time today.

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Message

From: Jeff McMahon Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: 3/29/2017 8:44:20 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Press Inquiry about RadNet [WARNING: SPF validation failed]

Thank you so much, Enesta. Nice working with you.

Jeff McMahon
University of Chicago • Forbes

On Mar 29, 2017, at 15:28, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Jeff,

For attribution to an EPA spokesperson:

Yesterday, we were experiencing technical difficulties in posting the most up-to-date RadNet air monitoring results. This was a temporary, intermittent outage. The issue has now been resolved.

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"The root of all joy is gratefulness."

On Mar 29, 2017, at 3:26 PM, Jeff McMahon Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) wrote:

Thank you, Enesta. Any idea why it's taking so long?

On Mar 29, 2017, at 11:07 AM, "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Jeff,

My apologies. Let me try my best to get you a response.

From: Jeff McMahon [mailto Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 12:05 PM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Press Inquiry about RadNet [WARNING: SPF validation failed]

Hi Enesta,

This seems to be taking an awfully long time. Any idea what's up?

Jeff McMahon

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On Mar 28, 2017, at 09:32, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

> Hi Jeff,
>
> Thanks for speaking with me just now. I am checking on this.
>
> **Enesta Jones**
>
> **U.S. EPA**
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> **"The root of all joy is gratefulness."**
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>
> **From:** Jeff McMahon [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
> **Sent:** Tuesday, March 28, 2017 10:28 AM
> **To:** Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** Press Inquiry about RadNet [WARNING: SPF validation failed]
>
> Hi Enesta,

Can you tell me why the RadNet system has stopped reporting results? Has the system been discontinued? Is something wrong with it?

I tried Tricia Lynn but she's unavailable and it seems an urgent question.

Thank you!

Jeff McMahon

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/29/2017 6:31:34 PM
To: Morgan Smith [msmith@texastribune.org]
Subject: EPA Response: States' pesticide registration procedures

Morgan, for attribution to Julia Valentine or to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

Most states require state registration in addition to federal registration. States' decisions on registration are based on their own laws and regulations and they can decide to reject a registration of a pesticide if they choose.

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---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: **Morgan Smith**
Date: Mon, Mar 20, 2017 at 10:56 AM
Subject: Re: Pesticide Approval/Registry
To: "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Hi Robert,

I had a quick follow up question to this response:

2) I'd like to know whether, if the EPA approves a pesticide for use, do states have the authority to reject registration of the pesticide if a company applies for it?

Yes, a State can refuse the sale, distribution and use of any pesticide product.

On what grounds can a state refuse the sale/distribution/use of a pesticide product?

Thanks!

Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/8/2017 1:05:04 PM
To: jaguilar@denverpost.com
Subject: Your questions for EPA

John, my colleague Richard Mylott from our Denver office forwarded me your inquiry.

For attribution to Julia Valentine, EPA spokesperson, please:

We are not commenting at this early stage in the process.

Regards, R.

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Message

From: Trey Barrineau [tbarrineau@glass.com]
Sent: 3/8/2017 1:00:52 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]; Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Energy Star on the chopping block?

Hi Robert,

Thank you. I will add to my story.

Trey

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, March 08, 2017 8:00 AM
To: Trey Barrineau; Press
Subject: RE: Energy Star on the chopping block?

Good morning Trey,

For attribution to Julia Valentine, EPA spokesperson, please:

We are not commenting at this early stage in the process.

Very best, R.

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From: Trey Barrineau [mailto:tbarrineau@glass.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 07, 2017 4:58 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Energy Star on the chopping block?

Hi there,

I hope you're doing well. I was wondering if you or anyone at the EPA would care to comment on reports in the media that the Energy Star program could be "closed out" or transferred to a private entity?

http://www.utilitydive.com/news/reports-white-house-could-shutter-epas-energy-star-program/437530/

Thanks,

Trey

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/7/2017 9:49:26 PM
To: Annalee Grant [agrant@snl.com]
Subject: FW: Energy Star program cut

Good afternoon Annalee,

For attribution to Julia Valentine, EPA spokesperson:

We are not commenting at this early stage in the process. Thanks, R.

From: Grant, Annalee [mailto:Annalee.Grant@spglobal.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 07, 2017 3:40 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Energy Star program cut

Hi, this is Annalee Armstrong from S&P Global. I am writing today about the OMB budget proposal that includes the elimination of the popular Energy Star program, which is jointly operated by EPA and DOE.

I am wondering if the EPA might be able to comment on the proposal to end this program, and tell me whether Administrator Pruitt intends to defend Energy Star as he digs into budget conversations with the White House.

Please let me know if the EPA will be able to provide a statement on this matter this evening. I appreciate anything you can offer for this story.

Thanks!

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/7/2017 8:00:37 PM
To: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: Subject: Media request // Impact of budget cuts on EPA

Good afternoon Lucas,

For attribution to Julia Valentine, EPA spokesperson:

We are not commenting at this early stage in the process.

Thanks, R.

From: Lucas Isakowitz [mailto:lucas.isakowitz@fusion.net]
Sent: Tuesday, March 07, 2017 1:09 PM
To: Milbourn, Cathy <Milbourn.Cathy@epa.gov>
Subject: Media request // Impact of budget cuts on EPA

Dear Ms. Milbourn,

I'm a reporter from Fusion Media doing a writeup on the potential impacts of EPA cuts on low-income communities. Specifically I'm interested in the impacts caused by potentially eliminating the agency's environmental justice office. The campaign director of the Sierra Club, has already come out against these cuts, attacking them as racist: "To cut the environmental justice program at EPA is just racist. I can't describe it in any other terms than a move to leave those communities behind. I can't imagine what the justification would be, other than racism."

I'm wondering if you, or perhaps one of your colleagues, could provide a comment on the record about the potential impact of losing the agency's environmental justice office, as well as any background material on the EJ's work.

I would be happy to speak via email or phone, whatever works best. My deadline is tomorrow, 5 PM Eastern Time.

Thank you in advance.

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Lucas Isakowitz | Digital Producer
lucas.isakowitz@fusion.net | Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/6/2017 7:50:28 PM
To: Chelsea Harvey [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]; Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Request from The Washington Post

Good afternoon Chelsea,

For attribution to Julia Valentine, EPA spokesperson, please:

We are not commenting at this early stage in the process.

Very best, R.

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From: Chelsea Harvey [mailto Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Monday, March 06, 2017 2:26 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Request from The Washington Post

Hello,

My name is Chelsea Harvey, and I'm a contributor with The Washington Post. We're looking for information on the total funding allocated by EPA to the Energy Star program for FY 2017. I've seen the Justification for the Committee on Appropriations, where it's noted that a +$1.9 million program increase reflects an increase in Energy Star support, but don't see a total breakdown for this program. Could you point me to this information?

Best regards,
Chelsea Harvey

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Chelsea Harvey
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@chelseaeharvey
chelseaharvey.com

Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/6/2017 6:49:48 PM
To: Kim, Jed [jed.kim@marketplace.org]; Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Interview/information request

Good afternoon Jed,

For attribution to Julia Valentine, EPA spokesperson, please:

We are not commenting at this early stage in the process.

Regards, R.

From: Kim, Jed [mailto:jed.kim@marketplace.org]
Sent: Monday, March 06, 2017 1:12 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Interview/information request

Hello,

I'm doing a story today on the possibility of the removal of Energy Star from federal management. I'm hoping to speak with someone who can confirm whether the proposed budget includes this language. Please let me know if there's anyone I can speak with by 2:30 pm ET.

Thank you,
Jed Kim

Jed Kim
Sustainability Reporter
Marketplace
(213)621-3524 office
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Message

From: Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/6/2017 4:46:32 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]; Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: PRESS: Budget request

Robert,

Please tell them: **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

Thanks

Julia P. Valentine
Assoc. Dir./Acting Dir.
U.S. EPA, Ofc of Media Relations
202.564.2663 direct
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From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Monday, March 06, 2017 11:45 AM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: PRESS: Budget request

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) correct?

From: Zoe Schlanger [mailto:zs@qz.com]
Sent: Monday, March 06, 2017 11:41 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Budget request

Hi Robert,

Will the EPA's response to the OMB's budget proposal be made available, or is there any statement on that?

Thanks,
Zoë

On Fri, Mar 3, 2017 at 10:57 AM, Zoe Schlanger <zs@qz.com> wrote:

> Thank you Robert
>
> On Fri, Mar 3, 2017 at 9:59 AM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:
>
> > Good morning Zoe,
> >
> > For attribution to Julia Valentine, an EPA spokesperson:

We are not commenting at this point in the process.

Thanks, R.

From: Zoe Schlanger [mailto:zs@qz.com]
Sent: Friday, March 03, 2017 9:42 AM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Budget request

Hi EPA press officers -

Can I get a copy of the budget proposal with line items?

Many thanks,

Zoë

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Zoë Schlanger

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/3/2017 8:57:58 PM
To: Dillard, Megan [megan.dillard@wdaftv4.com]
CC: Brees, Angela [Brees.Angela@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: EPA Priorities [WARNING: SPF validation failed]

Thanks, Megan

For attribution to Julia Valentine, an EPA spokesperson, please:

We have no comment at this point in the process.

Regards, R.

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From: Dillard, Megan [mailto:megan.dillard@wdaftv4.com]
Sent: Friday, March 03, 2017 3:56 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Brees, Angela <Brees.Angela@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: EPA Priorities [WARNING: SPF validation failed]

Hi Robert, my apologies, I was in an interview.
I'm looking for any statement your office is putting out about the administration's proposed cuts to the EPA budget and workforce. Not sure if you're taking specific questions, but I have to go on air in an hour, so I will certainly take any written statement the EPA has already provided to media outlets.
Thanks to you both for the help.
Kind Regards,
Megan Dillard
Fox 4 Kansas City

Sent from my iPad

On Mar 3, 2017, at 2:35 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

> Good afternoon Megan,
>
> How can we help? Thanks, R.
>
> Robert Daguillard
> Office of Media Relations
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> Washington, DC

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From: Dillard, Megan [mailto:megan.dillard@wdaftv4.com]
Sent: Friday, March 03, 2017 3:34 PM
To: Brees, Angela <Brees.Angela@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: EPA Priorities [WARNING: SPF validation failed]

Thank you for the response. I called this press line this morning in DC, but the voicemail box was full.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 3, 2017, at 2:32 PM, Brees, Angela <Brees.Angela@epa.gov> wrote:

> Hi, Megan.
>
> Our headquarters is the best contact for questions pertaining to EPA's budget and priorities. I've copied the main press email box for our Washington D.C. office.
>
> Thank you,
> Angela
>
> Angela M. Brees, Deputy Director
> Office of Public Affairs
> U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 7
> 11201 Renner Blvd.
> Lenexa, KS 66219
> O: 913 - 551-7940
> C: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/3/2017 6:18:44 PM
To: Lu, Denise [Denise.Lu@washpost.com]
CC: Meko, Tim [Tim.Meko@washpost.com]
Subject: RE: FY2018 budget - Washington Post inquiry

Good afternoon Ms. Lu,

For attribution to Julia Valentine, an EPA spokesperson, please:

We are not commenting at this point in the process.

Very best, R.

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From: Lu, Denise [mailto:Denise.Lu@washpost.com]
Sent: Friday, March 03, 2017 1:01 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Meko, Tim <Tim.Meko@washpost.com>
Subject: FY2018 budget - Washington Post inquiry

Hi, Mr. Daguillard,

I'm working on a story with my colleague, Tim, about how any changes in the FY2018 budget might affect the EPA.
We're specifically looking at any programs that might be at risk of being cut.
We're wondering if we can get you on the phone for a chat sometime next week? Any insight would be helpful.

Thanks for your time.

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Denise Lu
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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/3/2017 6:17:03 PM
To: Daly, Matthew [MDaly@ap.org]
Subject: RE: Press Inquiry about Budget

Hullo Matthew,

For attribution to Julia Valentine, an EPA spokesperson, please:

We are not commenting at this point in the process.

Regards, R

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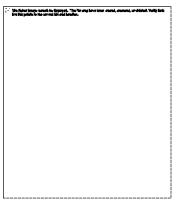
From: Daly, Matthew [mailto:MDaly@ap.org]
Sent: Friday, March 03, 2017 1:12 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Press Inquiry about Budget

Can you please call me about EPA budget proposals?
Thanks.
202-641-9481 direct
Matthew



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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/1/2017 7:44:42 PM
To: Larry Lee [llee@brownfieldnetwork.com]
Subject: RE: Atrazine

Let me check. Can't promise sound bites, but let me check.

From: Larry Lee [mailto:llee@brownfieldnetwork.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 01, 2017 2:44 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Atrazine

If a soundbite or two is possible, that would be great... even if it's just outlining the next event/time deadline.

Larry Lee
Brownfield Network
O: 715-544-1540

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, March 01, 2017 1:42 PM
To: Larry Lee <llee@brownfieldnetwork.com>
Subject: RE: Atrazine

Got it. Let me see what I can get you.

From: Larry Lee [mailto:llee@brownfieldnetwork.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 01, 2017 2:41 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Atrazine

The deadline is as soon as I can produce it. Editors would like it sooner not later, but we'll go with what works.

Larry Lee
Brownfield Network
O: 715-544-1540

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, March 01, 2017 1:38 PM
To: Larry Lee <llee@brownfieldnetwork.com>; Milbourn, Cathy <Milbourn.Cathy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Atrazine

Thanks, Larry. Again, I'll facilitate the response from the program so we can get back to you with good info.

I take it you're on deadline?

From: Larry Lee [mailto:llee@brownfieldnetwork.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 01, 2017 2:36 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Milbourn, Cathy <Milbourn.Cathy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Atrazine

Hello Robert,

The written material will be very useful for covering the subject matter. Perhaps you might comment on the timeline or what's next in the process? That would keep you from being put in the same position as scientists and policy experts.

Larry Lee
Brownfield Network
O: 715-544-1540

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, March 01, 2017 1:33 PM
To: Milbourn, Cathy <Milbourn.Cathy@epa.gov>; Larry Lee <llee@brownfieldnetwork.com>
Subject: RE: Atrazine

Good afternoon Larry,

I'm happy to help. Keep in mind Cathy and I are media officers and not subject matter experts, so we couldn't give you comments for attribution. I can reach out to the program office, but they're swamped right now and may not be able to put someone on the phone with you.

We'll almost certainly be able to sent you good written info – but it'll likely be just that, written. I want to make sure that's clear, as you seem to be preparing for a broadcast and I understand you'd rather have audio.

Do you have additional questions? Also, what's your deadline?

Thanks, R.

From: Milbourn, Cathy
Sent: Wednesday, March 01, 2017 2:24 PM
To: Larry Lee <llee@brownfieldnetwork.com>
Cc: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Atrazine

Hello Larry,

I've coped my colleague Robert to help you.

Cathy

From: Larry Lee [mailto:llee@brownfieldnetwork.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 01, 2017 2:21 PM
To: Milbourn, Cathy <Milbourn.Cathy@epa.gov>
Subject: Atrazine

Hello Ms. Milbourn,

I would like to set up a telephone interview with you to go over the Atrazine re-registration process, what is done, and what happens next. I understand it's a lengthy process, and it would be great if I could update our agriculture community as they plan for the upcoming season.

Please contact me and we'll set up a time.

Thank you.

Larry Lee
Anchor - Reporter

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Message

From: Lynn, Tricia [lynn.tricia@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/21/2017 9:12:52 PM
To: Elizabeth Shogren [shogren@hcn.org]
Subject: RE: 50 plus programs

Hi Elizabeth—

Please see below for EPA's response to your inquiry.

Best,

Tricia

EPA Answer:
The budget blueprint reflects the President's priorities of preserving clean air and water as well as to ease the burden of costly regulations to industry. Administrator Pruitt is committed to leading the EPA in a more effective, more focused, less costly way as we partner with states to fulfill the agency's core mission
- For attribution to Julia Valentine, an EPA spokesperson

From: Elizabeth Shogren [mailto:shogren@hcn.org]
Sent: Monday, March 20, 2017 2:26 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: 50 plus programs

Can you share with me the list of the 50+ EPA programs that are slotted for elimination at EPA under the president's budget?

Also, I've seen lots of mention of the Chesapeake Bay and Great Lakes restorations being slated for elimination, but sources tell me that the Puget Sound program is also on that list. I ask because I didn't see it specifically listed on the list from the White House.

Thanks, Elizabeth

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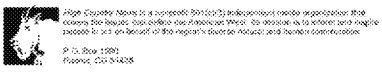

Message

From: Rebecca Leber [rleber@motherjones.com]
Sent: 3/21/2017 5:27:42 PM
To: Press [Press@epa.gov]; Huitric, Michele [Huitric.Michele@epa.gov]
Subject: Quick question on social media policy

Hello, I had another quick question for you:

I was wondering who is running the EPA's main social feeds on Facebook and Twitter—is it a career staffer already with the agency or is it someone recently hired by the administrator's team?

Thank you

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Rebecca Leber
Reporter | Mother Jones
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@RebLeber

Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/17/2017 7:22:22 PM
To: guglielmo.mattioli@nytimes.com
Subject: EPA: Budget Inquiry

Guglielmo, for attribution to US EPA or to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

EPA Answer: The budget blueprint reflects the President's priorities of preserving clean air and water as well as to ease the burden of costly regulations to industry. Administrator Pruitt is committed to leading the EPA in a more effective, more focused, less costly way as we partner with states to fulfill the agency's core mission.

Thanks, R.

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/17/2017 5:17:14 PM
To: Sherman, Lucille C. (MU-Student) [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
Subject: RE: Dicamba

Lucille, with apologies for the late response - and for attribution to Julia Valentine or to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

Late last summer a number of mid-west growers reported crop damage allegedly caused by pesticide drifting from neighboring crops. Many allegations charged that neighboring crops had been treated illegally with a dicamba formulation that was not approved for that use. EPA continues to work with other state and federal agencies to investigate these reports.

Later in the fall (November- https://www.epa.gov/pesticides/epa-registers-dicamba-formulation-use-dicamba-tolerant-crops), EPA registered different dicamba formulations to control weeds in cotton and soybean genetically engineered to tolerate dicamba. Those herbicides have different formulas than the one recently alleged to have been illegally used and that is the subject of EPA's on-going investigation in several locations. The new formulations have an additive that reduces volatility and EPA has placed certain restrictions on the use that will reduce drift.

NOTE: It is illegal to use the older formulations (over the top of) growing cotton and soybean crops. Only those products labeled for use on dicamba tolerant cotton and soy crops (the newer formulations) are legal.

-----Original Message-----
From: Sherman, Lucille C. (MU-Student) [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
Sent: Wednesday, March 01, 2017 11:08 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Dicamba

Will do. Thanks!

> On Mar 1, 2017, at 9:53 AM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:
>
> OK. Let me find out. But the program office is swamped right now, so I can't promise a quick response.
>
> We'll get you something, though.
>
> -----Original Message-----
> From: Sherman, Lucille C. (MU-Student) [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
> Sent: Wednesday, March 01, 2017 10:52 AM
> To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
> Subject: Re: Dicamba
>
> Yes.
>
>> On Mar 1, 2017, at 9:45 AM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:
>>
>> Well, I won't be able to give you comments for attribution, as I'm a media relations officer and not a subject matter expert. But I can reach out to the relevant program office so they can work on a good, comprehensive explanation of our dicamba regulatory process - background, what led to regulatory action, etc. - for you. In fact, it's possible that material is already available on the web. I can ask them.
>>
>> Again, I'm trying to understand what you need. Would my suggestion work for you?
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>> -----Original Message-----
>> From: Sherman, Lucille C. (MU-Student) [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
>> Sent: Wednesday, March 01, 2017 10:38 AM
>> To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
>> Subject: Re: Dicamba
>>
>> Hi Robert,
>>
>> I am on deadline.
>>
>> Could I call you in 40 minutes or so? What's the best number to reach you at? I just need to clarify a few regulatory things on the use of dicamba.
>>
>> Lucille
>>

>>> On Mar 1, 2017, at 9:25 AM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:
>>>
>>> Good morning Lucille,
>>>
>>> Are you on deadline? Are you interested primarily in an explanation of our scientific and regulatory stance on dicamba?
>>>
>>> Do you have a few minutes to discuss by phone? When would be a good time to talk?
>>>
>>> -----Original Message-----
>>> From: Milbourn, Cathy
>>> Sent: Wednesday, March 01, 2017 10:19 AM
>>> To: Sherman, Lucille C. (MU-Student) <Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)>
>>> Cc: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
>>> Subject: RE: Dicamba
>>>
>>> Hi Lucille,
>>>
>>> I've copied my colleague Robert to help you.
>>>
>>> Cathy
>>>
>>> -----Original Message-----
>>> From: Sherman, Lucille C. (MU-Student) [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
>>> Sent: Wednesday, March 01, 2017 9:51 AM
>>> To: Milbourn, Cathy <Milbourn.Cathy@epa.gov>
>>> Subject: Dicamba
>>>
>>> Cathy,
>>>
>>> I'm working on deadline for a story and have a few questions for you:
>>>
>>> Could you please clarify why exactly there were so many cases of illegal use of dicamba? What exactly made it illegal?
>>>
>>> My understanding is that farmers were allegedly using formulations of dicamba that were not authorized by the EPA.
>>>
>>> Thanks,
>>>
>>> Lucille Sherman
>>>
>>> 405.471.7979
>>> State government reporter - Columbia Missourian Investigative Journalism - University of Missouri
https://www.linkedin.com/in/lucillesherman
>>>
>>>
>>
>

Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/17/2017 5:15:07 PM
To: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: EPA Response: Science Magazine - Glyphosate - litigation

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From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2017 1:09 PM
To: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) >
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: EPA Response: Science Magazine - Glyphosate - litigation

Good afternoon,

For attribution to Julia Valentine or to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

The *In Re Round Products Liability Litigation* is a dispute between private litigants, and EPA is not a party to the case. Beyond that, the Agency does not comment on active litigation and is represented by the DOJ.

SCIENCE MAGAZINE: I'm a correspondent for Science magazine. I'm working on a story related to glyphosate and the EPA.

I have a few questions I'm hoping you or someone else at EPA can get back to me about. Ideally I would like to talk with someone at the Office of Pesticide Programs.

I need to file this story on Friday. You can reach me on my cell phone at Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Here are my questions:

1. What is the current status of work by the EPA's cancer assessment review committee in regards to glyphosate?

I know there was an internal CARC memorandum posted in early 2016 finding glyphosate was "not likely" to be a human carcinogen. But that memorandum was then pulled back.

So I would like an update on where the CARC's work on glyphosate currently stands, and when any final report might be issued.

2. A batch of documents were just unsealed in a lawsuit between Monsanto and plaintiffs claiming they developed cancer as a result of exposure to glyphosate.

Included in those documents were internal e-mails among Monsanto officials. An April 28, 2015 email from Dan Jenkins, the U.S. Agency lead for Monsanto's Regulatory Affairs office states that he was called by Jess Rowland, who was then EPA's Deputy Division Director for the Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention (OCSPP), Office of Pesticides Programs (OPP), Health Effects Division, as well as chair of the CARC looking at glyphosate.

That e-mail states that Mr. Rowland informed Mr. Jenkins that the CARC have "enough to sustain our conclusions." And Rowland also asked for a contact name with the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR), which was considering its own evaluation of glyphosate. According to Jenkins, Rowland said "If I can kill this I should get a medal."

Please see p. 99-100 of this PDF for a copy of the Jenkins e-mail: https://usrtk.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/03/JessRowlandseries.pdf

Based on this information:
1. Is the EPA conducting any investigation of whether Mr. Rowland disclosed information to or colluded with Monsanto officials regarding examinations of whether glyphosate was a carcinogen?

2. Is the examining whether Mr. Rowland sought to stop ATSDR from conducting its own review of glyphosate?

I look forward to hearing from you. Thanks for your help.

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/17/2017 5:15:01 PM
To: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: EPA Response - St. Louis Public Radio - Glyphosate - Litigation

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From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2017 1:11 PM
To: 'chenel@umsl.edu' <chenel@umsl.edu>
Subject: EPA Response - St. Louis Public Radio - Glyphosate - Litigation

Good afternoon,

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/17/2017 5:14:56 PM
To: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: EPA Response: CBS News - Glyphosate - Litigation

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From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2017 1:12 PM
To: 'gallitzs@cbsnews.com' <gallitzs@cbsnews.com>
Subject: EPA Response: CBS News - Glyphosate - Litigation

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/17/2017 5:14:51 PM
To: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Bloomberg News - Glyphosate - Litigation

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2017 1:12 PM
To: 'jrosenblatt@bloomberg.net' <jrosenblatt@bloomberg.net>
Subject: Bloomberg News - Glyphosate - Litigation

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/17/2017 5:14:44 PM
To: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Reuters - Glyphosate - Litigation

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2017 1:13 PM
To: 'Brendan.pierson@thomsonreuters.com' <Brendan.pierson@thomsonreuters.com>
Subject: Reuters - Glyphosate - Litigation

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/17/2017 5:14:15 PM
To: hakim@nytimes.com
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: NY Times - Glyphosate - Litigation

Good afternoon Danny,

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The *In Re Round Products Liability Litigation* is a dispute between private litigants, and EPA is not a party to the case. Beyond that, the Agency does not comment on active litigation and is represented by the DOJ.

In the meantime, we are working on your other questions re: glyphosate re-registration.

Thanks, R.

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/17/2017 3:46:29 PM
To: serena.ung@kdvr.com
Subject: Subject: Interview request EPA Denver office re: Trump's budget for EPA

Good morning,

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EPA Answer: The budget blueprint reflects the President's priorities of preserving clean air and water as well as to ease the burden of costly regulations to industry. Administrator Pruitt is committed to leading the EPA in a more effective, more focused, less costly way as we partner with states to fulfill the agency's core mission.

From: McClain-Vanderpool, Lisa
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 2:09 PM
To: regionalpress <regionalpress@epa.gov>
Cc: Mutter, Andrew <mutter.andrew@epa.gov>; Mylott, Richard <Mylott.Richard@epa.gov>
Subject: Interview request EPA Denver office re: Trump's budget for EPA

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/17/2017 3:06:43 PM
To: Rebecca Leber [rleber@motherjones.com]; Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Request for comment on the White House budget

Good morning Rebecca,

For attribution to Julia Valentine or to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

EPA Answer:

This blueprint reflects the President's priorities of preserving clean air and water as well as to ease the burden of costly regulations to industry. It helps refocus the Agency on being more effective, more focused, and less costly.

We are redesigning the way we do business to focus on achieving our core responsibilities - working with the states to ensure clean and breathable air, protecting water quality and investing in infrastructure, restoring our communities, ensuring timely review of chemicals and products to ensure safety for American families, all of which will have a positive impact on the environment and the economy

Thanks, R.

From: Rebecca Leber [mailto:rleber@motherjones.com]
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2017 10:26 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Request for comment on the White House budget

Could you please confirm whether these are the programs on the list of 50+ EPA programs cut in the budget? I want to use accurate, up to date information in my story of course:

Thank you for your response

Long Island Sound
Chicago Area Waterway System (Great Lakes region)

Puget Sound
San Franscisco Bay
Great Lakes restoration (EPA)
Endocrine disruptors (EPA)
Enviro education (EPA)
Chesapeake Bay (EPA)
Puget Sound (EPA)
US Mexico border (EPA)
Radon (EPA)
Gulf of Mexico (EPA)
Environmental justice (EPA)
Small minority business assistance (EPA)

Climate protection (EPA)
Research – air climate energy (EPA)
Sustainable and Healthy Communities (EPA)
Brownfields (EPA)
Safe & sustainable water resources (EPA)
Research – chem safety & sustainability (EPA)
Lead RRP (EPA)
Leaking underground storage tanks (EPA)
Right to Know (TRI) (EPA)
Tribal capacity building (EPA)
Marine Pollution (EPA)
Compliance monitoring (EPA)
Civil Enforcement (EPA)
Diesel emissions reduction act (state grants)
Multipurpose grants (state grants)
Targeted airsheds (state grants)
US-Mexico border targeted watershed (state grants)
Beach water quality testing (state grants)
Radon (state grants)
Brownfields (state grants)
Tribes – air quality management (state grants)
Pesticides implementation (state grants)
Toxic substances compliance (state grants)
Wetlands (state grants)
Underground injection (state grants)
Drinking water grants (state grants)
Nonpoint source pollution (state grants)
Air quality grants (state grants)
Water pollution control (state grants)
Lead (state grants)
Tribal general assistance program (state grants)

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From: "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Date: Thursday, March 16, 2017 at 11:27 AM
To: Rebecca Leber <rleber@motherjones.com>, Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Request for comment on the White House budget

Rebecca, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

We'll get back to you if we have anything to share.

Thanks, R.

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To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Request for comment on the White House budget

Hi, a question from Mother Jones, my deadline is 2pm est, thank you:

Mr. Pruitt said the other week, "I am communicating a message that the Brownfields Program, the Superfund program, water infrastructure … are essential to protect" and hoped to get a comment on the White House's budget cutting the superfund budget from $762 million to $330 million. Also, a reaction on where the budget comes down on protecting drinking water and state grants.

Appreciate it

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Message

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Sent: 3/17/2017 2:29:41 PM
To: serena.ung@kdvr.com
Subject: Your questions: EPA Budget

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/17/2017 2:28:56 PM
To: dan.krauth@nbcuni.com
Subject: Your question: EPA Budget

Good morning,

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EPA Answer: The budget blueprint reflects the President's priorities of preserving clean air and water as well as to ease the burden of costly regulations to industry. Administrator Pruitt is committed to leading the EPA in a more effective, more focused, less costly way as we partner with states to fulfill the agency's core mission.

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From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/17/2017 2:25:43 PM
To: sherman@pbn.com
Subject: Subject: Budget inquiry - Providence RI

Good morning,

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/17/2017 1:46:48 PM
To: McQuigge, Michelle [Michelle.McQuigge@thecanadianpress.com]
Subject: RE: Canadian Press query re. Great Lakes Restoration Fund

Michelle, for attribution to Julia Valentin or to "a U.S. EPA spokesperson," please:

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From: McQuigge, Michelle [mailto:Michelle.McQuigge@thecanadianpress.com]
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2017 8:56 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Canadian Press query re. Great Lakes Restoration Fund

Hi. Thanks for getting back to me so fast! Yes, I am. Asap as usual I'm afraid. ☺

Thanks,
Michelle

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: March-17-17 8:48 AM
To: McQuigge, Michelle <Michelle.McQuigge@thecanadianpress.com>
Subject: RE: Canadian Press query re. Great Lakes Restoration Fund

Good morning Michelle and thanks for reaching out,

Are you on deadline?

Thanks, R.

From: McQuigge, Michelle [mailto:Michelle.McQuigge@thecanadianpress.com]
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2017 8:45 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Canadian Press query re. Great Lakes Restoration Fund

Hi Robert,

Quick question for you. It is my understanding that yesterday's budget, rather than axing 97 per cent of the funding for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative, actually proposes to scrap 100% of it instead and eliminate the project altogether. Is this correct or have I misread anything?

If so, would the EPA like to ffer a response either to the budget itself or to concerns voiced by American and Canadian mayors? They fear this cut will have a devastating impact on efforts to fight invasive species, clean up pollution and otherwise preserve the lakes.

Many thanks,

Michelle

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From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/17/2017 1:28:10 PM
To: aruppenthal@wttw.com
Subject: Press Inquiry: EPA Budget

Good morning,

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On Mar 13, 2017, at 5:51 PM, Alex Ruppenthal <aruppenthal@wttw.com> wrote:

Dear Josh and Rachel,

Hi, I'm working on a story about the impact to Chicago on potential cuts to the EPA's Environmental Justice budget (which media reports indicate could be as high as 80 percent).

Is there a way to decipher the amount of dollars allocated toward EJ initiatives in Chicago over a certain timeframe or on a per-year basis? Also, might you be able to provide a list of all EJ projects in Chicago over the past five years?

I'm just looking for a way to show what the EJ program has done for Chicago.

Thank you as always for your help.

Best,
Alex

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/17/2017 1:26:34 PM
To: jon@Q13fox.com
Subject: Subject: Q13 Seattle question

Good morning,

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From: Humbert, Jonathan [mailto:jon@Q13fox.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 10:44 AM
To: MacIntyre, Mark <Macintyre.Mark@epa.gov>
Subject: Q13 Seattle question

Morning, Mark. Jon Humbert from Q13 here.

Wanted to see if we could get an interview with someone local about possible cuts to the EPA here in our region.

Or at the very least an understanding of projects that could be cut or would be reduced as part of the EPA's work here.

Thanks much

Jon Humbert
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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/17/2017 1:24:38 PM
To: asherprice@statesman.com
Subject: Subject: epa comment for story about central texas epa project funding?

Good morning,

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From: Price, Asher (CMG-Austin) [mailto:asherprice@statesman.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 2:04 PM
To: Gray, David <gray.david@epa.gov>
Subject: epa comment for story about central texas epa project funding?

Hi, David.

I'm working on a story about the sorts of projects EPA funds in Central Texas to give readers a sense of what's at stake in the president's budget proposal.

I wondered two things: 1) Do you have any list you can send my way of projects/grants currently funded or disbursed in Central Texas by EPA?
2) Does EPA have any statement about the prospect about a 31 percent budget cut at the agency, as proposed by the White House?

If you could get back to me today, I'd appreciate it.

Thanks!

As ever,
Asher

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/17/2017 1:23:41 PM
To: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Subject: Press Inquiry: EPA Budget

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From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/17/2017 1:21:07 PM
To: rachela@spokesman.com
Subject: Subject: Media Inquiry: Spokesman Review -- EPA budget cut impacts in Region 10

Good morning,

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/17/2017 1:18:38 PM
To: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Subject: Subject: KTVU Request

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From: Robert Roth [mailto Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 10:32 AM
To: Zito, Kelly <ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV>
Subject: KTVU Request

Hi Kelly.
This is Rob Roth from KTVU Channel Two News.
I am requesting an interview, comment or statement regarding the proposed budget cuts to EPA and how they could impact the Bay Area.
You may email or call my cell at Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) Thanks.
Rob Roth

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/17/2017 1:13:41 PM
To: tegan@wwno.org
Subject: Subject: Budget inquiry from WWNO

Good morning,

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/17/2017 1:12:27 PM
To: mpuente@wbez.org
Subject: Subject: Re: EPA offering free environmental job training program for residents in the East Chicago area

Good morning,

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Message

From: StClair, Christie [StClair.Christie@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/16/2017 9:07:55 PM
To: Dabbs, Brian [bdabbs@bna.com]; Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Budget [WARNING: DKIM validation failed]

Brian,

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Thanks,
Christie

Christie St. Clair
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From: Dabbs, Brian [mailto:bdabbs@bna.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 12:56 PM
To: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Budget [WARNING: DKIM validation failed]

Hi. Do y'all have a statement?

Brian Dabbs
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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/16/2017 8:35:37 PM
To: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: PRESS: Associated Press question about budget proposal

Follow-up from reporter.

From: Flesher, John [mailto:jflesher@ap.org]
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 4:32 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Associated Press question about budget proposal

Robert –

Appreciate the quote, but it doesn't answer the question I asked. Can you provide specific info about these regional programs?

Thanks,

John

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 4:29 PM
To: Flesher, John; Press
Subject: RE: Associated Press question about budget proposal

John, for attribution to Julia Valentine or to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

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From: Flesher, John [mailto:jflesher@ap.org]
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 3:16 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Associated Press question about budget proposal

Hello,

I am writing a story for AP's national wire this afternoon regarding the president's EPA budget proposal. The document released today says the budget:

"Eliminates funding for specific regional efforts such as the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative, the Chesapeake Bay, and other geographic programs. These geographic program eliminations are $427 million lower than the 2017 annualized CR levels. The Budget returns the responsibility for funding local environmental efforts and programs to State and local entities, allowing EPA to focus on its highest national priorities."

We need to know which regional programs aside from the Great Lakes and Chesapeake Bay ones would lose their funding under this proposal. The OMB list from a couple of weeks ago also included Puget Sound, the Gulf of Mexico and San Francisco Bay. Can someone there please tell me whether these programs are among those that would be de-funded, or if not, what their proposed funding levels will be?

Thank you,

John Flesher
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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/16/2017 8:34:16 PM
To: jpruna@cbs58.com
Subject: Subject: Interview Request

Jocelyn, for attribution to Julia Valentine or to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

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From: Jocelyne Pruna [mailto:jpruna@cbs58.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 12:17 PM
To: Nowotarski, Allison <nowotarski.allison@epa.gov>
Subject: Interview Request

Hi Allison,

Do you all have someone who speaks Spanish in Milwaukee to talk about the impact on the Great Lakes? I'm referring to the article below:

(AP) — President Donald Trump wants to eliminate federal support of a program that addresses the Great Lakes' most pressing environmental threats.
Trump's 2018 budget released Thursday would remove all funding for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative, which has received strong support from members of Congress in both parties since President Barack Obama established it in 2009.
The program has pumped more than $2.2 billion into the eight-state region for projects that have removed toxic wastes from industrial harbors, fought invasive species such as Asian carp, restored wildlife habitat and supported efforts to prevent harmful algal blooms.

The initiative has generally received about $300 million a year. Congress voted last year to authorize the program for five more years. A Trump campaign representative said last fall the Republican nominee supported the program.

Jocelyne Pruna
CBS 58 Reporter/ Telemundo Wisconsin Co-Anchor
Host & Producer of "Que Pasa Wisconsin"
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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/16/2017 8:32:54 PM
To: msinn@heartscorp.com
Subject: Subject: Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Eliminated

Matt, for attribution to Julia Valentine or to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

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From: Sinn, Matt A [mailto:msinn@hearstcorp.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 9:43 AM
To: Bassler, Rachel <Bassler.Rachel@epa.gov>; Rowan, Anne <rowan.anne@epa.gov>
Subject: Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Eliminated

Hello,

My name is Matt Sinn, and I work at WISN 12 News, the ABC affiliate serving the Milwaukee area. In President Trump's budget proposal, he eliminates funding for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative. Can you tell me which projects in Wisconsin would be affected? Thanks for your time.

Regards,
Matt

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/16/2017 8:30:57 PM
To: Tom.Durian@tmj4.com
Subject: Subject: WTMJ TV Request

Tom, for attribution to Julia Valentine or to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

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From: Durian, Tom [mailto:Tom.Durian@tmj4.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 11:33 AM
To: Green, Nicholas <Green.Nicholas@epa.gov>; Nowotarski, Allison <nowotarski.allison@epa.gov>
Subject: WTMJ TV Request

Hi there...

I am looking for someone to speak with me on the Great Lakes Restoration Project and the possible budget implication with the President's proposed budget.

Can you get back to me at the cell or email listed below?

Thanks!

Tom

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/16/2017 7:46:08 PM
To: Faulders, Katherine B. [Katherine.B.Faulders@abc.com]
Subject: RE: ABC News request

Katherine, for attribution to Julia Valentine, or to "an EPA spokesperson," please. Thanks, R.

Question:
I was wondering if the EPA has a response to the White House budget blueprint detailing 31% cuts to the agency. Could you pass along any statement you may have?

EPA Answer:

The budget blueprint reflects the President's priorities of preserving clean air and water as well as to ease the burden of costly regulations to industry. It helps refocus the Agency on being more effective, more focused, and less costly.

We are redesigning the way we do business to focus on achieving our core responsibilities - working with the states to ensure clean and breathable air, protecting water quality and investing in infrastructure, restoring our communities, ensuring timely review of chemicals and products to ensure safety for American families, all of which will have a positive impact on the environment and the economy

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From: Faulders, Katherine B. [mailto:Katherine.B.Faulders@abc.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 12:06 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: ABC News request

Thank you!

From: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 12:04 PM
To: Faulders, Katherine B.
Subject: RE: ABC News request

Hullo Katherine,

Someone will get back to you.

Thanks, R.

From: Faulders, Katherine B. [mailto:Katherine.B.Faulders@abc.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 11:56 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: ABC News request

Hi there Robert,

I hope you're doing well. I was wondering if the EPA has a response to the White House budget blueprint detailing 31% cuts to the agency. Could you pass along any statement you may have? I'm also available at Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Many thanks,
Katherine

Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/16/2017 6:40:05 PM
To: Steve Davies [steve@agri-pulse.com]
Subject: RE: Is it possible to get more details on budget proposal?

Steve, for attribution to Julia Valentine or to "an EPA spokesperson." Thanks.

A: The budget blueprint reflects the President's priorities of preserving clean air and water as well as to ease the burden of costly regulations to industry. It helps refocus the Agency on being more effective, more focused, and less costly.

This is about empowering the states to be primary implementers of environmental programs on the ground, rather than insist that EPA micromanage them.

We are redesigning the way we do business to focus on achieving our core responsibilities - working with the states to ensure clean and breathable air, protecting water quality and investing in infrastructure, restoring our communities, ensuring timely review of chemicals and products to ensure safety for American families, all of which will have a positive impact on the environment and the economy

From: Steve Davies [mailto:steve@agri-pulse.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 11:14 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Is it possible to get more details on budget proposal?

Thanks. I'll be here.

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On Thu, Mar 16, 2017 at 11:05 AM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

> Good morning Steve,
>
> For attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

We'll get back to you if we have anything to share.

Thanks, R.

From: Steve Davies [mailto:steve@agri-pulse.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 10:22 AM
To: Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>
Subject: Is it possible to get more details on budget proposal?

Hi John:

What has been released offers very little detail. Is there anything with more numbers available?

Thanks -- Steve

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/16/2017 6:36:31 PM
To: dranii@newsobserver.com.
Subject: Subject: Voicemail from a News & Observer reporter

Dear Mr. Ranii,

For attribution to Julia Valentine, or to "an EPA spokesperson," there are currently 1159 employees at the agency's Research Triangle Park facility.

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/16/2017 6:26:00 PM
To: kbogardus@eenews.net
Subject: Subject: RE: Budget briefing?

Kevin, for attribution to U.S. EPA or to, "an agency spokesperson," please:

Question: Does EPA have any reaction to President Trump's fiscal 2018 budget proposal, which cuts EPA's budget by 31 percent, or $2.6 billion, from fiscal 2017 funding and results in 3,200 fewer positions at the agency?

EPA Answer:
The budget blueprint reflects the President's priorities of preserving clean air and water as well as to ease the burden of costly regulations to industry. It helps refocus the Agency on being more effective, more focused, and less costly.

We are redesigning the way we do business to focus on achieving our core responsibilities - working with the states to ensure clean and breathable air, protecting water quality and investing in infrastructure, restoring our communities, ensuring timely review of chemicals and products to ensure safety for American families, all of which will have a positive impact on the environment and the economy

From: Kevin Bogardus [mailto:kbogardus@eenews.net]
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 9:57 AM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>; Ericksen, Doug <ericksen.doug@epa.gov>; Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Budget briefing?

Hey guys, does EPA have any reaction to President Trump's fiscal 2018 budget proposal, which cuts EPA's budget by 31 percent, or $2.6 billion, from fiscal 2017 funding and results in 3,200 fewer positions at the agency?

Here it is, on pages 41 to 42.

https://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/whitehouse.gov/files/omb/budget/fy2018/2018_blueprint.pdf
Please get back to me as soon as possible. My deadline is noon EST today but the sooner you get back to me, the more it helps my reporting. Please email me here or call my office line at 202-446-0401. Thank you for your help.

-Kevin

From: Kevin Bogardus
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 4:49 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>; 'Konkus, John' <konkus.john@epa.gov>; 'Ericksen, Doug' <ericksen.doug@epa.gov>; Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>
Subject: Budget briefing?

Doug, John and Julia,

Hi, it's Kevin Bogardus with E&E News.

Does EPA plan to have a budget briefing and/or call for reporters tomorrow? Please let me know since I would be happy to attend that briefing and/or call.

Thanks for your help. Talk to you later.

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/16/2017 6:20:57 PM
To: jeffrey.sparshott@wsj.com
Subject: Subject: Wall Street Journal - deadline request

Jeffrey, for attribution to the U.S. EPA, please:

Total number of onboard employees: 15,241 (includes 14,996 permanent employees and 245 temporary employees)

From: Sparshott, Jeffrey [mailto:jeffrey.sparshott@wsj.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 3:55 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Wall Street Journal - deadline request

Hello:

I'm a reporter at The Wall Street Journal. I'm trying to pin down the number of federal employees at the EPA. Based on budget documents I believe it's around 15,000. Is that figure correct?

Thank you.

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/16/2017 5:13:06 PM
To: Fottrell, Quentin [qfottrell@marketwatch.com]
Subject: RE: MarketWatch Media Query

Quentin, a follow-up, also attributable to Julia, please:

"Protecting water quality is one of our core responsibilities and that is reflected in this budget.

The budget provides robust funding for the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) program to finance critical drinking and wastewater infrastructure. This budget maintains full funding for the SRFs."

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 9:02 AM
To: Fottrell, Quentin <qfottrell@marketwatch.com>
Subject: Re: MarketWatch Media Query

Good morning,

For attribution to Julia Valentine or to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

We are not commenting at this early stage in the process.

Thanks, R.

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On Mar 16, 2017, at 8:24 AM, Fottrell, Quentin <qfottrell@marketwatch.com> wrote:

> Could you help with the (below) story?
>
> Quentin Fottrell
> Personal Finance Editor
> MarketWatch
>
> P: 212-416-3081
> E: qfottrell@marketwatch.com
> T: @quantanamo
>
> On Thu, Mar 16, 2017 at 8:22 AM, Fottrell, Quentin <qfottrell@marketwatch.com> wrote:
>
> > Hi Enesta,

Do you have any response on the Trump "skinny" budget, the EPA and the impact this might have on drinking water?

Regards,

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/16/2017 4:18:44 PM
To: Cameron Hickey [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
Subject: RE: PBS NewsHour filming at TSCA Meeting Tomorrow

Hullo Cameron,

With apologies for the late reply – and for attribution to U.S. EPA, or to "an agency spokesperson," please:

TSCA:

1) Can you give me an estimate of the size of the EPA staff tasked with the current phase of TSCA implementation -- how many people are on the teams for scoping and risk assessment for the first 10 chemicals?

Teams likely will range in size depending on the chemical. Since these are our first risk evaluations under amended TSCA, we can't say now how big those teams will be.

2) Was the meeting on Tuesday the first public meeting / hearing held by the EPA since Jan. 20th, 2017?
Yes, it was the first held since Jan by the Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics.

3) ...There were a lot of conflicting viewpoints about how to scoping the risks, and I know they can't say now how they will move on each issue, but I wanted to get a sense of what factors they consider when deciding on issues such as:

- How to decide where to use non-TSCA exposure in their risk assessment (i.e. cosmetic uses)
- How to balance the published safety handling guidelines vs real-world use scenarios
- How to decide when to focus on new uses vs historical uses, and how to weigh those in the final risk assessment"

EPA will consider non-TSCA uses when it is appropriate to estimate the contribution of TSCA-uses to total exposure. We will try to make our exposure scenarios reflect the ways in which the chemical is actually used. This is something we want to take comment on now. There could be scenarios where older uses are in the scope, especially if those historical uses are still providing some function and could be considered part of the conditions of use of the chemical substance.

From: Cameron Hickey [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 5:57 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: PBS NewsHour filming at TSCA Meeting Tomorrow

Hi Robert,

Tried calling you again today but didn't get through and the system didn't seem to allow me to leave a message. Can you send me an update via email? Did you get any response on chlorpyrifos?

Our TSCA story isn't happening any time soon, but I would really like to get more details on chlorpyrifos ASAP.

I'll try calling again tomorrow.

Thanks!

Cameron

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On Thu, Mar 9, 2017 at 4:30 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Sorry. Out of the office tomorrow. Back Monday.

From: Cameron Hickey [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Thursday, March 09, 2017 4:29 PM

To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: PBS NewsHour filming at TSCA Meeting Tomorrow

Tomorrow afternoon ?

Cameron Hickey

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Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 9, 2017, at 4:07 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Hey Cameron,

Not today, sadly. Lots to do over here the past few days. But we are still working on your questions.

Thanks, R.

From: Cameron Hickey [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
Sent: Thursday, March 09, 2017 12:35 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: PBS NewsHour filming at TSCA Meeting Tomorrow

Hi Robert,

I just tried your desk phone. Are you available to follow up on this today?

Best,

Cameron

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On Wed, Mar 1, 2017 at 9:55 AM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

OK. Let me see what I can find out for you.

From: Cameron Hickey [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
Sent: Wednesday, March 01, 2017 9:31 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>

Subject: Re: PBS NewsHour filming at TSCA Meeting Tomorrow

Great! When did you expect to be able to deliver a response to me -- on the CPF stuff at least?

I do have more questions, but this is a variation on what I've already asked:

What is the procedure for finalizing the decision about a change to the chlorpyrifos limits? There's been a lot of research and analysis that went into the recommendation. Is the final decision made by the administrator? Are there any statutory or court-imposed requirements for what factors must be considered when making a final determination?

The answer to this leads to more questions obviously, which is why I was hoping to have a chat with someone directly involved in the process as opposed to just a written statement. Let me know if that is a possibility.

Thanks,

Cameron

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On Wed, Mar 1, 2017 at 9:26 AM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Hullo Cameron,

Yes, we could talk – although we've made good progress on your inquiry, so I hope we can send you a response before too long.

Perhaps you have additional questions for us?

From: Cameron Hickey [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Wednesday, March 01, 2017 9:24 AM

To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Milbourn, Cathy <Milbourn.Cathy@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: PBS NewsHour filming at TSCA Meeting Tomorrow

Hey Robert -- didn't get a chance to speak with you on Monday - can I give you a call this afternoon?

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On Thu, Feb 23, 2017 at 3:25 PM, Cameron Hickey < Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) > wrote:

Understood. Yes, lets talk Monday!

Thanks,

Cameron

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On Thu, Feb 23, 2017 at 2:58 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Hullo Cameron,

A few things: The relevant program offices has your questions on TSCA and chlorpyrifos and will be sending info. I expect we'll be sending you a written response sometime next week. We'll get you good info, after which, of course, you'd be welcome to send us follow-up questions.

Just so you know, I'm a media officer rather than a subject-matter expert, so I wouldn't be giving you the background information directly anyway.

I'm out tomorrow, but should we try touching base early next week?

From: Cameron Hickey [mailto Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Thursday, February 23, 2017 2:55 PM

To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Milbourn, Cathy <Milbourn.Cathy@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: PBS NewsHour filming at TSCA Meeting Tomorrow

Hi Robert,

Following up on these questions. I'm trying to work out the schedule for our chlorpyrifos story. I'd love to speak with someone on that as soon as is feasible. Is that only going to be you, or can I actually talk to someone involved in the process? Again, I'm just looking for background on the process not a comment for publication.

Best,

Cameron

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On Tue, Feb 21, 2017 at 2:24 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Got it. Thanks, Cameron.

Let's see what we can get you in the next week or so. To be honest, I expect we'll be sending you written info, but I'll have a better idea at the beginning of next week.

Thanks, R.

From: Cameron Hickey [mailto Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Tuesday, February 21, 2017 9:58 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Milbourn, Cathy <Milbourn.Cathy@epa.gov>

Subject: Re: PBS NewsHour filming at TSCA Meeting Tomorrow

Hi Robert,

My deadline isn't urgent -- as I told Cathy -- We're developing longer lead stories about both asbestos and TSCA and I'm trying to understand the issues from the EPA perspective. I'm actually heading out of town for 8 days, but I would like to nail down who I might talk to on the above TSCA stuff before I return.

Re: chlorpyrifos backgrounder:

I understand that a final decision on revoking the tolerances for CPF should be issued by March 31st 2017. Is that still on track? If so, will that decision be announced on that day? What role will Administrator Pruitt have in finalizing the decision? -- I'd really like to have a background phone call with someone who has insights on these questions as opposed to a statement.

Thanks so much!

Cameron

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On Tue, Feb 21, 2017 at 9:41 AM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Yes, I'm handling chlorpyrifos questions. Can you resend your query – as we hadn't worked together until now?

Thanks, R.

From: Cameron Hickey [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Tuesday, February 21, 2017 9:23 AM
To: Milbourn, Cathy <Milbourn.Cathy@epa.gov>
Cc: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>

Subject: Re: PBS NewsHour filming at TSCA Meeting Tomorrow

Great, Thanks!

Also wanted to follow up on Chlorpyrifos. That's you as well?

Best,

Cameron

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On Tue, Feb 21, 2017 at 9:20 AM, Milbourn, Cathy <Milbourn.Cathy@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Cameron,

My colleague Robert is working on your request.

Cathy

Sent from my iPhone

Cathy Milbourn

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On Feb 21, 2017, at 9:14 AM, Cameron Hickey <Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)> wrote:

Hi Cathy,

I'm writing to follow up on the questions from above. I'm going to be traveling over the next few days, but should still be able to read and respond to email quickly. I'm sure today's a big day at the office -- but let me know when you think I might be able to get a response.

Warm regards!

Cameron

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On Thu, Feb 16, 2017 at 10:16 AM, Cameron Hickey
<Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)> wrote:

Hi Cathy,

First off, thanks for your help on Tuesday! That was an incredibly interesting meeting, and I was glad to be able to film and listen! We're working on expanding our coverage of the EPA and the work it does and that meeting was a great introduction to the process for me.

I wanted to follow up with you on a few issues today:

1) Can you give me an estimate of the size of the EPA staff tasked with the current phase of TSCA implementation -- how many people are on the teams for scoping and risk assessment for the first 10 chemicals?

2) Was the meeting on Tuesday the first public meeting / hearing held by the EPA since Jan. 20th, 2017?

3) I know didn't want me to bother any of the EPA staff during the meeting -- I waited until the end and asked a couple of questions --

basically those above, but they referred me back to you. Can you setup a time for me to speak with one of the staff members who was feverishly taking notes throughout the meeting? I'm looking for a quick background chat (not for comment) to get a sense of how they're feeling about the challenges of implementation after the meeting. There were a lot of conflicting viewpoints about how to scoping the risks, and I know they can't say now how they will move on each issue, but I wanted to get a sense of what factors they consider when deciding on issues such as:

- How to decide where to use non-TSCA exposure in their risk assessment (i.e. cosmetic uses)

- How to balance the published safety handling guidelines vs real-world use scenarios

- How to decide when to focus on new uses vs historical uses, and how to weigh those in the final risk assessment

I have more questions... but thats probably enough to get started.

Perhaps we can talk on the phone later today?

Warm regards,

Cameron Hickey

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On Mon, Feb 13, 2017 at 3:53 PM, Milbourn, Cathy <Milbourn.Cathy@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Cameron,

Nice chatting with you. My cell phone is Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) Feel free to call that number or email me at milbourn.cathy@epa.gov

From: Cameron Hickey [mailto Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2017 11:44 AM
To: Milbourn, Cathy <Milbourn.Cathy@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: PBS NewsHour filming at TSCA Meeting Tomorrow

Ok, thanks! Briefly:

Will there be space for setting up a camera?

Will there be a multbox available to take a feed of the audio?

How much press are you anticipating (camera positions)?

Thank you!

Cameron Hickey

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Cameron Hickey

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On Feb 13, 2017, at 11:31 AM, Milbourn, Cathy <Milbourn.Cathy@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Cameron,

Thanks for your email. I will be at the meeting and get back to you shortly.

Cathy

From: Cameron Hickey [mailto: **Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)**
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2017 10:11 AM
To: Milbourn, Cathy <Milbourn.Cathy@epa.gov>
Subject: PBS NewsHour filming at TSCA Meeting Tomorrow

Hi Cathy,

I'm writing to request access to send a camera to film tomorrow's EPA meeting on the Toxic Substances Control Act:

https://www.regulations.gov/document?D=EPA-HQ-OPPT-2017-0002-0001

I already spoke to the technical contact Sheila Canavan and she referred me to you.

We're developing a couple of science stories related to the chemicals on the docket.

Warm regards,

Cameron Hickey

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 4/24/2017 7:42:14 PM
To: Brandy Hadden [bhadden@technologypub.com]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Subject: Media Inquiry

Brandy, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

"EPA's Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (OPPT) is holding a public meeting on Monday, May 1, 2017 to discuss regulatory reform opportunities involving regulations governing chemical safety activities under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) and Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) rules. Specifically, we are soliciting input from stakeholders to help identify those regulations that might be appropriate for repeal, replacement or modification per Executive Order 13777 on Enforcing the Regulatory Agenda.
We are soliciting comments on the following questions:

- Are there regulations that may be appropriate for repeal, replacement, or modification to reduce economic or other burdens on the regulated community, including small businesses or state and local government entities?
- Are there opportunities for EPA to streamline or consolidate reporting and recordkeeping requirements to reduce burden?
- Are there opportunities for EPA to improve regulatory effectiveness through adopting or encouraging innovations that reduce burden while facilitating environmental protection?
- Are there specific provisions within regulations that have achieved their original objective and are no longer necessary?

Thanks, R.

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From: Brandy Hadden [mailto:bhadden@technologypub.com]
Sent: Monday, April 24, 2017 12:12 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Subject: Media Inquiry

Hello! Thank you so much for the response. 3 p.m. would be the deadline for tomorrow's newsletter. If that's not possible, I can always update the story at a later time.

Brandy

From: "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Date: Monday, April 24, 2017 at 11:59 AM
To: "bhadden@technologypub.com" <bhadden@technologypub.com>
Subject: Subject: Media Inquiry

Good afternoon Brandy and thanks for reaching out,

What's your deadline, please?

Regards, R.

From: Brandy Hadden <bhadden@technologypub.com>
Date: Monday, April 24, 2017 at 11:22 AM
To: <leonard.darlene@epa.gov>
Subject: Media Inquiry

Hi, Darlene, my name is Brandy Hadden and I'm an editor at Durability + Design News. We're doing a write-up for our readers in tomorrow's newsletter making sure they have all the info for the public meetings regarding the TSCA and other related issues. I was wondering if you or someone could comment on the goal of these meetings and the importance of reaching out to those who will be immediately impacted by these decisions.

I'll be sure to follow up later today if I don't hear from you. Thank you so much in advance for your time,

Brandy

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 4/24/2017 7:32:06 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: PAT: Question on TASCA? [WARNING: DKIM validation failed]

I know. And I edited and re-sent.

Thank you.

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Monday, April 24, 2017 3:29 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: PAT: Question on TASCA? [WARNING: DKIM validation failed]

You sent this one to Pat on Thurs.

Toxic Chemicals

BNA (Pat Rizzuto) [Received 4/20] – OPEN – 2016 Chemical Data Reporting (CDR) posting date – sending response to Liz B. for final approval – DDL 4/20

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"The root of all joy is gratefulness."

On Apr 20, 2017, at 4:02 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

> Pat, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:
>
> The agency plans to post 2016 CDR data at the end of May.
>
> Thanks, R.
>
> Robert Daguillard
> Office of Media Relations
> U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
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> Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) (M)

From: Rizzuto, Denise Pat [mailto:prizzuto@bna.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 2:11 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: PAT: Question on TASCA? [WARNING: DKIM validation failed]

Yes; I'm wondering if there's a general time by which you hope to make public the chemical data reporting rule info. submitted last year? If so, would welcome any details on searchability features it would have.

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 20, 2017, at 2:07 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

> Pat, I understand via the OCSPP communications team that you have a question on TSCA?
>
> Robert Daguillard
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Message

From: Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]
Sent: 4/21/2017 7:16:57 PM
To: Greg Layson [GLayson@autonews.com]; StClair, Christie [StClair.Christie@epa.gov]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: URGENT Media Request: Emissions

Hi, Greg – for attribution to an EPA spokesperson: "We respect auto manufacturers' need for confidentiality of their pre-production vehicles, so we will not comment at this time."

Thank you!

Julia P. Valentine
Assoc. Dir./Acting Dir.
U.S. EPA, Ofc of Media Relations
202.564.2663 direct
Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) m/txt

From: Greg Layson [mailto:GLayson@autonews.com]
Sent: Friday, April 21, 2017 1:25 PM
To: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>; StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Subject: URGENT Media Request: Emissions

Julia, Christie

I used to deal with Nick Conger, he's moved on. I hope you can help.

Mercedes-Benz Canada tells me its still waiting for certain diesel models to be approved by the EPA and thusly by ECCC in Canada.

Is it true the following vehicles are still tied up in inspection:

Mercedes-Benz diesel 2017 GLE, GLE Coupé and GLS

Nick previously said the following and maybe it's still all the EPA can say?

"I am not able to confirm the status of preproduction vehicles until manufacturers introduce them into commerce to respect any potential confidential business information," EPA spokesman Nick Conger said in a statement.

The sooner I hear from you the better. Thanks so much.

The reason I marked it urgent is because I'd like to have this in our daily email which sends at 3 p.m. ET

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Message

From: Freire, JP [Freire.JP@epa.gov]
Sent: 4/21/2017 5:36:45 PM
To: Lynn, Tricia [lynn.tricia@epa.gov]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: LIZ/JOHN FOR REVIEW: Response to Bloomberg BNA RE: OECA and States (DEADLINE: 4 p.m., 4/21)

Hey Tricia, I have some edits super quick and will send in a sec.

J.P. Freire
Environmental Protection Agency
Associate Administrator for Public Affairs
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On Apr 21, 2017, at 12:01 PM, Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov> wrote:

Would you like me to reply with this?

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Best,

Tricia

From: Schoof, Renee [mailto:rSchoof@bna.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 10:52 AM
To: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Bloomberg BNA questions for OECA-states story [WARNING: DKIM validation failed]

Hi Julia,
Here are three questions for the administrator for a story next week. Thanks for passing them on. I need to wrap up the reporting and writing by COB Friday. As you know, our stories appear to a wide audience on the Bloomberg terminal, as well as for our professional subscribers.

What is your vision for how OECA ought to work?
Does EPA need to have a different relationship with states than it had in the past administration? Is the one set out in National Environmental Performance Partnership System (NEPPS) outmoded, and if so what changes are needed?
Some states say that they may do fewer inspections and less enforcement if EPA grants to states are cut as proposed. Is this a likely and acceptable outcome, and why or why not?

Thank you.
Renee Schoof
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Message

From: Graham, Amy [graham.amy@epa.gov]
Sent: 4/19/2017 4:23:32 PM
To: slattimore@lakeshorepublicmedia.org
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]; Bassler, Rachel [Bassler.Rachel@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: need info on secretary visit

Hi Steven - Your email about today's event was passed along to me. There won't be a media event with the Administrator but we will send a press release with photos and video afterward.

Governor Holcomb's office is working on the itinerary for the visit so I recommend reaching out to his office for more details. Stephanie Wilson is the contact- Stepwilson@gov.in.gov

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Thanks,
Amy

Need info on Secretary's visit thanks

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Message

From: Fraser-Chanpong, Hannah [ChanpongH@cbsnews.com]
Sent: 4/19/2017 1:52:35 PM
To: Graham, Amy [graham.amy@epa.gov]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: CBS News inquiry - Pruitt visit to East Chicago, IN

Thank you. Please put me on the list for the release and any handout video/photos.

From: Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 4:49:16 PM
To: Fraser-Chanpong, Hannah
Cc: Press
Subject: Re: CBS News inquiry - Pruitt visit to East Chicago, IN

Governor Holcomb's office is working on the itinerary for the visit so I recommend reaching out to his office. There won't be a media event with the Administrator.

You should contact Stephanie Wilson - Stepwilson@gov.in.gov

On Apr 18, 2017, at 3:40 PM, Fraser-Chanpong, Hannah <ChanpongH@cbsnews.com> wrote:

Thank you. What time is the visit taking place? If not an interview, will there be any opportunity to cover his tour or his meeting with residents?

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 18, 2017, at 4:32 PM, Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov> wrote:

> Hi Hannah -
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> Thank you,
> Amy
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> **From:** Fraser-Chanpong, Hannah [mailto:ChanpongH@cbsnews.com]
> **Sent:** Tuesday, April 18, 2017 3:33 PM
> **To:** Press <Press@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** CBS News inquiry - Pruitt visit to East Chicago, IN

Hi there,

I'm with CBS News, based out of our Chicago bureau. Would you be able to provide any details about Administrator Pruitt's visit to East Chicago, IN tomorrow (Wed 4/19)? I'm interested in covering.

Thank you,
Hannah

Message

From: Graham, Amy [graham.amy@epa.gov]
Sent: 4/19/2017 1:37:44 PM
To: sesposito@suntimes.com
CC: Rowan, Anne [rowan.anne@epa.gov]; Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Chicago Sun-Times request

Hi Stefano - Your email about today's event was passed along to me. There won't be a media event with the Administrator but we will send a press release with photos and video afterward.

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Thanks,
Amy

Begin forwarded message:

> **From:** "Esposito, Stefano" <sesposito@suntimes.com>
> **Date:** April 19, 2017 at 8:18:36 AM CDT
> **To:** "rowan.anne@epa.gov" <Rowan.Anne@epa.gov>
> **Subject: Chicago Sun-Times request**
>
> Anne, I'm being sent to cover Mr. Pruitt's visit to East Chicago. Are there any media guidelines for the visit?
> Thanks,
>
> --
> Stefano Esposito
> Staff Reporter
> Chicago Sun-Times
> Desk: 312-321-2124
> Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Message

From: White, Deidra R [DRWhite@cbs.com]
Sent: 4/18/2017 8:56:01 PM
To: Graham, Amy [graham.amy@epa.gov]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: CBS 2 Chicago/ Administrator Pruitt - E. Chicago
Attachments: removed.txt

Thanks Amy.

Deidra White
WBBM-TV CHICAGO
News Planning Manager

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From: Graham, Amy [mailto:graham.amy@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 3:55 PM
To: White, Deidra R <DRWhite@cbs.com>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: CBS 2 Chicago/ Administrator Pruitt - E. Chicago

Hi Deirdra - Governor Holcomb's office is working on the itinerary for the visit so I recommend reaching out to his office. You should contact Stephanie Wilson - Stepwilson@gov.in.gov

There won't be a media event with the Administrator but we will send a release, photos and video after the event.

Additional information on the event -- EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt will visit the USS Lead Superfund site in East Chicago, Indiana tomorrow to observe soil cleanup and hear directly from East Chicago residents affected by contamination in their community. He is the first EPA Administrator to visit the USS Lead Superfund site in East Chicago, which was listed on the National Priorities List of the worst contaminated sites in the country in 2009. Administrator Pruitt is focused on getting EPA back to the basics of protecting human health and the environment, and the Superfund program is a critical component of this.

From: White, Deidra R [mailto:DRWhite@cbs.com]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 4:35 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: CBS 2 Chicago/ Administrator Pruitt - E. Chicago

Hello –
Do you have details for Administrator's Pruitt's tour in East Chicago tomorrow, 4-19?
Will there be any media availability?

Thank you

[redacted]

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Message

From: Graham, Amy [graham.amy@epa.gov]
Sent: 4/18/2017 8:43:22 PM
To: valerie.volcovici@thomsonreuters.com
CC: Timothy.Mclaughlin@thomsonreuters.com; Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Admin Pruitt in Indiana tomorrow?

Governor Holcomb's office is working on the itinerary for the visit so I recommend reaching out to his office. There won't be a media event with the Administrator.

You should contact Stephanie Wilson - Stepwilson@gov.in.gov

On Apr 18, 2017, at 2:06 PM, "valerie.volcovici@thomsonreuters.com" <valerie.volcovici@thomsonreuters.com> wrote:

Amy – any chance you can send the details about the visit now so our reporter can plan out his day tomorrow?
Thank you!

From: Graham, Amy [mailto:graham.amy@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 2:27 PM
To: Volcovici, Valerie (Reuters News)
Cc: StClair, Christie; Hull, George; McLaughlin, Timothy (Reuters News); Press
Subject: Re: Admin Pruitt in Indiana tomorrow?

Hi Valerie -

EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt will visit the USS Lead Superfund site in East Chicago, Indiana tomorrow to observe soil cleanup and hear directly from East Chicago residents affected by contamination in their community. He is the first EPA Administrator to visit the USS Lead Superfund site in East Chicago, which was listed on the National Priorities List of the worst contaminated sites in the country in 2009. Administrator Pruitt is focused on getting EPA back to the basics of protecting human health and the environment, and the Superfund program is a critical component of this. We will be sure you all receive a press release with photos and video following tomorrow's visit.

From: StClair, Christie [mailto:StClair.Christie@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 12:47 PM
To: Volcovici, Valerie (Reuters News); Hull, George
Cc: McLaughlin, Timothy (Reuters News); Press
Subject: RE: Admin Pruitt in Indiana tomorrow?

+ press@epa.gov

Thanks, Valerie. We do have your request.

Christie

Christie St. Clair

Office of Public Affairs

Environmental Protection Agency

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From: valerie.volcovici@thomsonreuters.com [mailto:valerie.volcovici@thomsonreuters.com]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 12:46 PM
To: Hull, George <Hull.George@epa.gov>; StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Cc: Timothy.Mclaughlin@thomsonreuters.com
Subject: FW: Admin Pruitt in Indiana tomorrow?

Hi George and Christie,

Are you able to help with information?

Thanks,
Valerie

From: Volcovici, Valerie (Reuters News)
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 12:45 PM
To: 'Valentine.Julia@epa.gov'
Cc: McLaughlin, Timothy (Reuters News)
Subject: Admin Pruitt in Indiana tomorrow?

Hi Julia,

I hope all is well.

Are you able to confirm details of the administrator's visit to East Chicago, Indiana tomorrow? One of my colleagues in the area may attend.

Many thanks,
Valerie

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Message

From: Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]
Sent: 5/8/2017 9:44:06 PM
To: Shah, Surabhi [Shah.Surabhi@epa.gov]; Orquina, Jessica [Orquina.Jessica@epa.gov]; Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
CC: Thomas, Latosha [Thomas.Latosha@epa.gov]; Hart, Daniel [Hart.Daniel@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Jessica and Enesta - Approval for PSRW / Sammies twitter chat tomorrow

Importance: High

Good point.

George, do you want to take one more run at this with upstairs?

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From: Shah, Surabhi
Sent: Monday, May 08, 2017 4:48 PM
To: Orquina, Jessica <Orquina.Jessica@epa.gov>; Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Cc: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>; Thomas, Latosha <Thomas.Latosha@epa.gov>; Hart, Daniel <Hart.Daniel@epa.gov>
Subject: Jessica and Enesta - Approval for PSRW / Sammies twitter chat tomorrow

Hi Jessica and Enesta,

Administrator Pruitt sent an all EPA message about the Sammies today. Seems like he and the agency are supportive.

Can John Reeder or Mike Flynn help with approval for the Twitter chat?

I'm just concerned that we've not responded to PPS.

Sent from my iPhone

On May 8, 2017, at 7:31 AM, Orquina, Jessica <Orquina.Jessica@epa.gov> wrote:

> FYI, I don't yet have approval to participate in the Twitter chat. I'll check again.
>
> Jess
>
> Jessica Ann Orquina
> Associate Director
> Office of Web Communications
> U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
> Email: orquina.jessica@epa.gov

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Mobile: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

On May 5, 2017, at 11:43 AM, Katie Koziara <KKoziara@ourpublicservice.org> wrote:

> That's great news! Looking forward to getting the info from you, Jessica. Thanks for coordinating!
>
> We'd love to have you join in Friday as well – feel free to submit your responses to the questions that day too. I'll send them along once I have the Twitter handles ☺
>
> Best,
> Katie
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> **From:** Shah, Surabhi [mailto:Shah.Surabhi@epa.gov]
> **Sent:** Friday, May 5, 2017 10:52 AM
> **To:** Katie Koziara <KKoziara@ourpublicservice.org>
> **Cc:** Orquina, Jessica <Orquina.Jessica@epa.gov>; Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>; Thomas, Latosha <Thomas.Latosha@epa.gov>; Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** PSRW / Sammies twitter chat next week
>
> Hi Katie,
>
> Thank you for thinking of us!
>
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> Thanks to Jessica for helping along the approvals process!
>
> Question: Meanwhile, when do you need confirmation from us?
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From: Shah, Surabhi
Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2017 3:23 PM
To: Orquina, Jessica <Orquina.Jessica@epa.gov>
Cc: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>; Thomas, Latosha <Thomas.Latosha@epa.gov>; Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Embargoed Sammies Finalists News Release

Hi Jessica,

Below, PPS is offering us the opportunity to be featured in this twitter chat on Tuesday. Seems like a great opportunity and a positive story for the agency.

Are we interested? If so, they need the handle we plan to use.

If we're not interested, we need to let them know asap to give someone else the opportunity.

Your thoughts?

Thank you so much for your engagement on this!

Best,
Surabhi

Sent from my iPhone

On May 4, 2017, at 2:50 PM, Katie Koziara <KKoziara@ourpublicservice.org> wrote:

> Good afternoon:
>
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Let me know if you're interested in joining and I can add you as a featured panelist. We look forward to sharing Sammies finalists' work with Federal News Radio, GovLoop, Government Matters TV and other media outlets throughout the summer!

Again, congratulations on your selection as a finalist, and I look forward to meeting you on Tuesday.

Best,
Katie

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Subject: Re: PSRW / Sammies twitter chat tomorrow

Jessica,

Thanks for your efforts to seek approval for use of EPA or OW twitter handle in tomorrow's Twitter chat, hosted by the Partnership for Public Service.

I'm looping in Katie from PPS so she's aware of the status. (Katie - if you need to final another panelist at this point, we understand).

Since Latosha is out this week, I'm also copying Barb and Antonio in OW do they're aware and can support if it's a go.

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/16/2017 3:19:47 PM
To: StClair, Christie [StClair.Christie@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Hazardous Substance Superfund [WARNING: DKIM validation failed]

Still feels like a query to me, but perhaps **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

From: Carignan, Sylvia [mailto:scarignan@bna.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 11:10 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Hazardous Substance Superfund [WARNING: DKIM validation failed]

Thanks, Robert. I'm just seeking clarification on how the Superfund trust fund works, not a comment on the proposed budget.

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 11:04 AM
To: Carignan, Sylvia <scarignan@bna.com>
Subject: RE: Hazardous Substance Superfund [WARNING: DKIM validation failed]

Good morning Sylvia,

For attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

We'll get back to you if we have anything to share.

Thanks,R.

From: Carignan, Sylvia [mailto:scarignan@bna.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 11:02 AM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Hazardous Substance Superfund [WARNING: DKIM validation failed]

Hi EPA,

I'm working on a story today about the president's budget blueprint. Would the cuts to the Hazardous Substance Superfund affect RCRA enforcement or the Brownfields program?

My deadline is 1 p.m. today; please give me a call if you prefer.

Thanks,
Sylvia

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Sylvia Carignan
Reporter, Superfund and Waste
Bloomberg BNA
1801 S Bell St, Arlington VA 22202
Direct 703-341-3708

Message

From: Shah, Surabhi [Shah.Surabhi@epa.gov]
Sent: 5/8/2017 11:33:11 AM
To: Orquina, Jessica [Orquina.Jessica@epa.gov]
CC: Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]; Thomas, Latosha [Thomas.Latosha@epa.gov]; Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]; Hart, Daniel [Hart.Daniel@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: PSRW / Sammies twitter chat next week

Thanks, Jessica! Should we go ahead and let PSS know so they can pick another panelist?

Sent from my iPhone

On May 8, 2017, at 7:31 AM, Orquina, Jessica <Orquina.Jessica@epa.gov> wrote:

> FYI, I don't yet have approval to participate in the Twitter chat. I'll check again.
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> Associate Director
> Office of Web Communications
> U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
> Email: orquina.jessica@epa.gov
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>> **From:** Shah, Surabhi [mailto:Shah.Surabhi@epa.gov]
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> **From:** Shah, Surabhi
> **Sent:** Thursday, May 04, 2017 3:23 PM
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> Sent from my iPhone

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From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 5/5/2017 8:13:06 PM
To: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: Lyndsey: Your Questions for EPA

Dear Lyndsey, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

EPA encourages the reuse of formerly contaminated lands, landfills and mine sites through its RE-Powering America's Land Initiative (https://www.epa.gov/re-powering) and through its revitalization efforts within its Superfund program and its abandoned mine lands team (https://www.epa.gov/superfund-redevelopment-initiative).

RE-Powering America's Land tracks completed renewable energy installations on such lands through its tracking matrix which it publishes every six months (see http://www.epa.gov/renewableenergyland/docs/tracking_matrix.pdf). Note: the next version of this tracking matrix will be available in a couple of weeks.

Potential challenges to solar and wind development on mining sites include: Transmission access (relating to the proximity and capacity of transmission and distribution lines near the proposed facility); intermittent availability of the solar or wind generating plan; compatibility with the cleanup remedy; permitting; other environmental challenges (e.g., migratory bird pathways for wind)

For more information, please consult the following websites:

https://www.epa.gov/superfund/abandoned-mine-lands-revitalization-and-reuse#energy

https://www.epa.gov/superfund-redevelopment-initiative/alternative-energy-superfund-sites

http://www.clu-in.org/issues/default.focus/sec/Characterization,_Cleanup,_and_Revitalization_of_Mining_Sites/cat/Overview/

In addition, West Virginia Brownfields Assistance Center at Marshall University, in partnership with the West Virginia Division of Energy, administers a grant program to support renewable energy projects on surface-mined lands. Projects seeking renewable energy from biomass, wind or solar sources are eligible.

More information can be found at www.wvbrownfields.org; and

http://www.marshall.edu/murc/brownfields-assistance-center-expands-surface-mined-land-reuse-and-redevelopment-activities/

Additional information on this topic for international projects can be found at www.energyandmines.com

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Name: Lyndsey Gilpin
Email: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Comments:
Hi there,

I am a journalist based in Louisville, and I am writing a story for Southeast Energy News on the practice of using surface mining reclamation sites for solar farms or wind farms. I'm curious how feasible it really is and what hurdles there are to doing so when it comes to transmission in particular.

Would love to speak to someone who could talk about this in the next day or two if possible.

Thanks,
Lyndsey
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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/16/2017 12:54:29 PM
To: asnider@politico.com
Subject: RE: SRF budget number?

Good morning Annie,

For attribution to Julia Valentine or to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

We are not commenting at this early stage in the process.

Thanks, R.

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From: Annie Snider [mailto:asnider@politico.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 16, 2017 7:36 AM
To: Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>
Subject: SRF budget number?

John –I'm trying to figure out whether the $4 million increase to the SRFs cited in the President's budget is comparing to the 2017 baseline number or includes the extra $100m added to the SRF for Flint in the CR.

By my calculations, 2017 enacted level for the 2 SRFs combined was $2.257 without the Flint money and $2.357B when it is included. It's hard to compare since the President's budget only rounds to the $100m point in top line numbers, but it appears that 2017 would be higher if compared to the CR level including Flint.

Annie Snider

Reporter

POLITICO

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@AnnElizabeth18

Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/15/2017 7:55:47 PM
To: Sheila Feeney [Sheila.Feeney@amny.com]; Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Deadline Press Request

Good afternoon Sheila,

For attribution to Julia Valentine or to "an agency spokesperson," please:

We're not commenting at this early stage in the process.

Regards, R.

Robert Daguillard
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From: Sheila Feeney [mailto:Sheila.Feeney@amny.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 3:54 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Deadline Press Request

Greetings,
We have a story with local environmentalists voicing concern over how proposed cuts to the EPA and it's staff (& revision of the Endangered Species Act) will affect NYC's water, air quality and wildlife.
Reaching out to see if you have any response to the following allegations:

1. That cuts to the EPA – and elimination of The Clean Power Plan - will severely impact NYC's water and air quality, making our city hotter in the summer, raising the risk of respiratory illnesses and increasing the risk that parasites and harmful bacteria will make its way into NYC's water supply?
2. That without a vigorous EPA, states and municipalities will be able to run wild over environmental regs as no federal entity will be able to "hold their feet to the fire" around compliance.
3. That the White House would like to abolish the EPA.
4. That elimination of the BEACHES Act will make swimming beaches less safe
5. That our local industrial clean up sites (Gowanus comes immediately to mind) will take even longer to clean up.
6. That a decline in water and air quality will also deleteriously affect the recovery of endangered species, which require healthy eco-systems to thrive.

   Deadline is asap (sorry!)

With thanks in advance for whatever assistance you might be able to provide, I remain,
Yours gratefully,

Sheila Anne Feeney

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/14/2017 12:59:56 PM
To: Julian Turner [julian.turner@progressivemediagroup.com]
Subject: RE: Press Inquiry about Budget

Good morning (afternoon for you) Julian,

For attribution to Julia Valentine or to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

We are not commenting at this early stage in the process.

Thanks, R.

From: Julian Turner [mailto:julian.turner@progressivemediagroup.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 7:15 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Press Inquiry about Budget

Good morning Robert,

I wanted to inquire how my interview request was progressing?

Look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

Julian

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 28 February 2017 12:39
To: Julian Turner
Subject: RE: Press Inquiry about Budget

Good morning Julian,

Thanks for reaching out. I'll forward your inquiry to the appropriate parties. Are you on deadline?

From: Julian Turner [mailto:julian.turner@progressivemediagroup.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2017 5:58 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Press Inquiry about Budget
Importance: High

Good morning Robert,

My name is Julian Turner and I am a feature writer for www.power-technology.com and *Future Power Technology* digital magazine, both part of the **Kable** portfolio of international B2B titles.

I am writing to request an interview to discuss the potential impact on the EPA of President Trump's proposed budget cuts.

The interview would take no longer than 30 minutes and I am happy to provide you with questions beforehand, as well as a rough draft of the article for approval prior to publication. Alternatively, answers by email would be fine.

You can access examples of my previous work here.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

Julian

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From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/13/2017 7:56:20 PM
To: Kristen Torres [ktorres@wbez.org]; Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: EPA Budget Proposal - Comment?

Good afternoon Kristen,

For attribution to Julia Valentine or to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

We are not commenting at this early stage in the process.

Regards, R.

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From: Kristen Torres [mailto:ktorres@wbez.org]
Sent: Monday, March 13, 2017 3:30 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: EPA Budget Proposal - Comment?

Good Afternoon,

We're writing a story up about the leaked EPA budget proposal that was reported on by the Washington Post earlier this month. Do you all have a statement or comment to verify or deny the documents?

Thanks in advance. Looking to get the story done by 4 CT.

Kristen Torres | **WBEZ91.5** | **Metro Desk** | **Desk** 312.948.4649 **Cell** Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) | 848 East Grand Avenue | Chicago, Illinois 60611

Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/13/2017 12:20:25 PM
To: Flatt, Courtney Alison [courtney.flatt@wsu.edu]
Subject: RE: Press Inquiry about Tribal Affairs

Good morning Courtney,

For attribution to Julia Valentine or to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

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Thanks for reaching out, R.

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From: Flatt, Courtney Alison [mailto:courtney.flatt@wsu.edu]
Sent: Friday, March 10, 2017 4:42 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Press Inquiry about Tribal Affairs

Hi Robert,

My name is Courtney Flatt, and I am a reporter with Northwest Public Radio, based in Washington state. I'm working on a story about how the proposed cuts to the EPA budget could affect tribes in the Northwest.

I'm just curious if you all have any concerns or thoughts about programs or grants that could be affected by future cuts?

Thank you for your time.

Best,
Courtney

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Reporter, EarthFix, Northwest Public Radio
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Message

From: StClair, Christie [StClair.Christie@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/10/2017 11:41:02 PM
To: Flatt, Courtney Alison [courtney.flatt@wsu.edu]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Press Inquiry about Tribal Affairs

Hi Courtney,

For attribution to Julia Valentine, EPA spokesperson, please:

We are not commenting at this early stage in the process.

Thanks,

Christie

Christie St. Clair
EPA Public Affairs
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On Mar 10, 2017, at 5:58 PM, Flatt, Courtney Alison <courtney.flatt@wsu.edu> wrote:

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From: "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Date: Friday, March 10, 2017 at 1:41 PM
To: "Flatt, Courtney Alison" <courtney.flatt@wsu.edu>
Subject: Automatic reply: Press Inquiry about Tribal Affairs

I am not available. Please write press@epa.gov in my absence.

Thank you,

Robert Daguillard
(202) 564-6618

Message

From: StClair, Christie [StClair.Christie@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/10/2017 10:55:37 PM
To: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: Fwd: Press Inquiry about Hazardous Waste

Christie St. Clair
EPA Public Affairs
C: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Begin forwarded message:

From: Abrahm Lustgarten <Abrahm.Lustgarten@propublica.org>
Date: March 10, 2017 at 5:39:01 PM EST
To: "StClair, Christie" <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Cc: Abrahm Lustgarten <Abrahm.Lustgarten@propublica.org>
Subject: Re: Press Inquiry about Hazardous Waste

Hi Christie,

Thank you for the response, though I'm disappointed to be referred to the FOIA process for most of these questions after more than a month. I'll pursue that now.

A couple of follow ups I hope you can help with:

You've referred me to the RCRAinfo database, which I have used extensively to research this process. The database results show there are seven OBOD sites in the United States. I believe that number is extremely low. Can you confirm to me that this does reflect the accurate count of RCRA permitted OBOD sites in the United States? Or can you confirm that the number of sites is not known by the EPA? (Or explain otherwise?).

Can you tell me which offices and which staff provided the responses that you offer below? Not for attribution, but to help me understand which offices have expertise and whether the appropriate ones were engaged?

How is the open burn and detonation of munitions and energetics in the United States different from the burn pits in Iraq and Afghanistan? For this point in particular, through my research and reading of sample permits and case studies, I am not understanding a difference. So I hope for an EPA response for my story on this, as well any technical explanation of the emissions, burned constituents, distance to public, etc that I might have previously failed to understand.

Finally – the RCRA IDs I asked about – do those have matches with companies in the EPA's database? If not, can the EPA provide an explanation of what it means that an entity is transporting and disposing of waste, and is only identifying itself to state officials (in LA) using an EPA license which cannot be located or identified?

Thank you,
Abrahm Lustgarten

From: "StClair, Christie" <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Date: Friday, March 10, 2017 at 2:21 PM
To: Abrahm Lustgarten <Abrahm.Lustgarten@propublica.org>
Subject: RE: Press Inquiry about Hazardous Waste

Hi Abrahm,

Appreciate your patience. Please attribute to an agency spokesperson.

Thanks,
Christie

Regarding Open Burn/Open Detonation practices, here's some specific technical or quantitative questions I want to ask:

1. I'd like to understand exactly how many OBOD permits exist, where they are and what their status is, and get a sense of what EPA does on a regular basis to maintain and oversee these permits. Is there a list available somewhere? Of the complete universe of OBOD sites – specifically Which ones are permitted by the EPA under RCRA or CERCLA and which ones fall outside of RCRA jurisdiction or EPA oversight to the states? (Also Which ones are Subpart X permits and which ones not?)

Please submit a FOIA, because the info requested is not readily available, would require data pulls and analysis and take several weeks.

2. Does the EPA require submission of/collect lists of OBOD sites from state environmental regulators? If so, how often, and where is that information incorporated?

EPA maintains a national database of RCRA hazardous waste facilities (i.e., RCRAInfo), including units operating under interim status. States and EPA Regions enter and maintain this information on an ongoing basis. Data from RCRAInfo is publicly available through EPA's Envirofacts database here: https://www3.epa.gov/enviro/facts/rcrainfo/search.html. Additionally, EPA makes available a list of example permits for the public to view here: https://www.epa.gov/hwpermitting/list-example-hazardous-waste-permits-open-burning-and-open-detonation.

3. How does the Clean Air Act or other environmental statutes apply to OBOD?

Please see this page: https://www.epa.gov/hwpermitting/what-hazardous-waste-permit

4. Are there specific cases/how many where the EPA is involved in RCRA-mandated cleanup of an OBOD site even while the burn is not permitted under RCRA?

Please submit a FOIA, because the info requested is not readily available, would require data pulls and analysis and take several weeks.

5. How did the Subpart X permit come to be?

EPA promulgated final permit standards in Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations in Part 264 for the most common hazardous waste management units in existence at the inception of the RCRA program: containers, tanks, surface impoundment, waste piles, land treatment units, landfills and incinerators. EPA realized that certain hazardous waste treatment and disposal practices were conducted in other types of units and in 1987 promulgated Subpart X in Part 264 that allows for the construction and permitting of miscellaneous units (those that do not meet the Part 264, Subparts I through W and DD and Part 266, Subpart H unit descriptions). More about the history of Subpart X can be found in the 1987 Federal Register notice that established it: https://www.epa.gov/hwpermitting/final-rule-establishing-standards-hazardous-waste-miscellaneous-units. Additional information about the requirements for miscellaneous hazardous waste units can be found the following web page: https://www.epa.gov/hwpermitting/requirements-miscellaneous-hazardous-waste-units and

https://www.epa.gov/hwpermitting/resource-conservation-and-recovery-act-rcra-training-module-miscellaneous-and-other.

6. How long is an interim OBOD permit good for? Of sites with EPA-issued interim permits, can you identify them and note how long they have been operating for?

In general, units operating under interim status, as specified in the statute, may continue to operate until EPA or the state acts to issue or deny a permit. Information specific to duration of operations will take time to gather; you are welcome to request this information through EPA's FOIA website: https://www.epa.gov/foia.

7. How many commercial OBOD permits exist, and how many are utilized by the federal government?

Please refer to the response to the first two questions for information about existing permits. How many are utilized by the federal government is not information that is readily accessible. We suggest that you request this information through EPA's FOIA website: https://www.epa.gov/foia.

8. Can munitions and other hazardous waste be collected offsite and moved to a permitted federal OBOD site for disposal/burn, or are federal (DoD/DOE) permitted sites only allowed to burn/detonate materials generated on that installation?

Federal OB/OD sites are allowed to receive off-site waste unless the permit says otherwise; in fact, it is common for DOD OB/OD sites to receive wastes from other DOD installations, and from off-site EOD or other emergency response personnel.

9. What is the difference between an OBOD permit for Army/DoD installation, and a permit for a private defense contractor to operate OBOD on a DoD property?

In general, the process for obtaining a permit is the same. However, permits may differ based on the site-specific circumstances at hand, for example, in terms of what wastes they are permitted to accept. All permits, though, include information regarding the owner and operator for the site.

10. Where a DoD property is leased or operated by a private or corporate contractor and OBOD operations exist, is the private contractor allowed to burn materials generated on the same installation but by a secondary or tertiary private entity also leasing or subleasing parts of the installation? (One example I'm trying to understand where this is relevant is Radford Army Ammunitions Plant).

Such arrangements may be allowed if provided for in the permit. All permits include information regarding the owner and operator for the site.

Additional information

Here are some useful links on requirements for Miscellaneous Hazardous Waste Units

- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Requirements for Miscellaneous Hazardous Waste Units
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->List of Example Hazardous Waste Permits for Open Burning and Open Detonation
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Training Module: Miscellaneous and Other Units
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Federal Register Notice Establishing Standards for Hazardous Waste Miscellaneous Units

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m: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

From: Abrahm Lustgarten [mailto:Abrahm.Lustgarten@propublica.org]
Sent: Tuesday, February 07, 2017 4:36 PM
To: StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Press Inquiry about Hazardous Waste

Hi Christie,

I left you a message a short while thinking it might be easier to talk through my next set of needs for a story I'm reporting. But following with this email. I'm reporting about open burn and open detonation sites and practices, and need to speak with folks at the EPA about how this is handled and how frequently it occurs. I'm hoping you can help with that – setting up an interview or two with the people who have direct expertise and involvement in the issue.

I'll need to move very quickly on this – finishing up by the middle of next week.

Thanks,
And I look forward to your response,

Abrahm

From: "StClair, Christie" <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Date: Monday, February 6, 2017 at 2:35 PM
To: Abrahm Lustgarten <Abrahm.Lustgarten@propublica.org>
Subject: Re: Press Inquiry about Hazardous Waste

Hi Abrahm, where did you get these IDs from? That may help us track them down.

Christie St. Clair
EPA Public Affairs
C: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

On Feb 6, 2017, at 2:27 PM, Abrahm Lustgarten <Abrahm.Lustgarten@propublica.org> wrote:

> Hi Christie,

I've got more than this, will circle back to you soon. But for now – the following EPA ID #s do not appear to be in your online RCRAinfo database. I'm not sure why – if it just is outdated?

Could you please help me identify the companies and addresses identified by each of the following EPA IDs?

I'd need this by end of day tomorrow, but I'm thinking this is a very straightforward request.

Thank you
Abrahm

Numerals
AK0983072810
CA0000077552
CAC002774357
CAC002798473
CAC002807323
CAC002807328
CAC002807330
CAC002825120
CAD981664261
CAH111000023
CAH111001375
CAL000003327
CAL000009489
CAL000192051
CAL000241611
CAL000358859
CAL000367011
CAL000369217
CAL000398801
CAP000021501
KSO213820467
LAD982310252
LAD982310369
LAD982310403
LAD982310411
PADEP0021299
PAR000527986
TXD005942438
WVP000005192

From: "StClair, Christie" <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Date: Thursday, February 2, 2017 at 7:14 AM
To: Abrahm Lustgarten <Abrahm.Lustgarten@propublica.org>
Subject: RE: Press Inquiry about Hazardous Waste

Hi Abrahm, thanks for reaching out. I'm the best point person for media inquiries on CERCLA, RCRA and fed facilities.

Can you please send me your immediate questions, and your hard deadline? We'll do our best to meet it.

Christie

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From: Abrahm Lustgarten [mailto:Abrahm.Lustgarten@propublica.org]
Sent: Wednesday, February 01, 2017 11:42 PM
To: StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Subject: Press Inquiry about Hazardous Waste

Christie,

I'm a reporter with ProPublica, and I'm working on a project about environmental cleanup at Defense sites, and it has me focusing quite a bit on RCRA issues. I've got a number of questions now, on a fast-approaching deadline. But it's also an ongoing project and I expect I'll have some issues I could use the EPA's guidance on going forward for my next story as well. Are you the best contact for these issues? RCRA, Munitions Rule, Range Rule, CERCLA.

Let me know, and I can give you a call to discuss on Thursday.

Thank you,
Abrahm

Abrahm Lustgarten
Senior Reporter, ProPublica
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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/9/2017 9:18:19 PM
To: Jacob Fenston [fenston@wamu.org]; Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: WAMU reporter question

Hullo Jacob

For attribution to Julia Valentine or to "an EPA spokesperson," please, but: We are not commenting at this early stage in the process.

Thanks, R.

From: Jacob Fenston [mailto:fenston@wamu.org]
Sent: Thursday, March 09, 2017 4:15 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: WAMU reporter question

Hi,

I'm a reporter at WAMU, working on a story about the future of the Chesapeake Bay Program ... Looking for comment on the reports of proposed cuts to that program's budget.

Specifically -- Can you confirm the reports that the president's budget proposal would reduce funding for CBP to $5 million, from $73 million?

Does Administrator Pruitt intend to push back against such a proposed cut?

Would the Chesapeake cleanup be able to meet the 2025 goes with such a diminished budget?

Thank you,
Jacob

Jacob Fenston
WAMU 88.5 American University Radio
Reporter / Editor | o: 202 885 2834 | c: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) wamu.org

Message

From: StClair, Christie [StClair.Christie@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/9/2017 8:14:34 PM
To: Kristina Brown [kristina.brown@roadscholar.com]
Subject: RE: Article

Hi Kristina, my apologies for the lag in response.

For attribution to an agency spokeperson, please.

These two links should address your questions:

https://www.epa.gov/oil-spills-prevention-and-preparedness-regulations/fact-sheet-2011-milk-exemption-under-spcc

https://www.epa.gov/oil-spills-prevention-and-preparedness-regulations/milk-exemption-under-spcc-rule

For further information on transportation, please contact the Department of Transportation.

Thanks,
Christie

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From: Kristina Brown [mailto:kristina.brown@roadscholar.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2017 10:44 AM
To: StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Article

Hi Christie,

I would love to get it posted this week if at all possible.

Thanks!

Kristina Brown
Online Business Development
Road Scholar Transport
kristina.brown@roadscholar.com

From: StClair, Christie [mailto:StClair.Christie@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2017 10:43 AM
To: Kristina Brown
Subject: RE: Article

Hi Kristina,

What is your deadline?

Christie

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From: Kristina Brown [mailto:kristina.brown@roadscholar.com]
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2017 10:39 AM
To: StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Subject: Article

Good Morning Christie,

I work in the marketing department at Road Scholar Transport, an asset-based trucking company in Dunmore, PA. We are working on an article for our website focused on milk spills and the protocols for dealing with such. I was hoping I would be able to ask you a few questions or if you could please direct me to who can answer some (if not all) of these as I'm on a tight deadline:

Does the EPA classify milk spills as hazardous? Is it classified as a pollutant? Why?

I understand that milk was regulated under the Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure program in 1973 and treated like an oil spill. Can you please explain why that was and the possible dangers of milk spills? Is it still treated as such or did Obama exclude this ruling in 2011? Can you further explain?

What are the protocols for milk spilled during transport today?

Thank you so much for your help!

Kristina Brown
Online Business Development
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kristina.brown@roadscholar.com

Message

From: Hull, George [Hull.George@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/9/2017 8:00:33 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]; Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Downsizing EPA regions to eight [WARNING: DKIM validation failed]

I think that's fine. - George

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Thursday, March 09, 2017 2:06 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Downsizing EPA regions to eight [WARNING: DKIM validation failed]

Should we just tell him Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) ?"

From: Dabbs, Brian [mailto:bdabbs@bna.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 09, 2017 2:00 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Downsizing EPA regions to eight [WARNING: DKIM validation failed]

So that means EPA is looking into that? It's been reported but I hadn't heard an EPA admission.

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, March 09, 2017 1:59 PM
To: Dabbs, Brian <bdabbs@bna.com>; Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Downsizing EPA regions to eight [WARNING: DKIM validation failed]

Good afternoon Brian,

For attribution to Julia or to "an EPA spokesperson," please, but we are not commenting at this early stage in the process.

Thanks, R.

From: Dabbs, Brian [mailto:bdabbs@bna.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 09, 2017 1:55 PM
To: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>; Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Downsizing EPA regions to eight [WARNING: DKIM validation failed]

Hey, hope you all are well.

Has the EPA said publicly it's going to look into downsizing the number of regions to eight?

Thanks much.

Brian Dabbs
Reporter
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Direct: 7033413746
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bdabbs@bna.com

Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/9/2017 7:15:05 PM
To: McQuigge, Michelle [Michelle.McQuigge@thecanadianpress.com]; Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Press Inquiry about cuts to the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative

Good afternoon Michelle,

For attribution to Julia Valentine, or to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

We are not commenting at this early stage in the process. Thanks, R.

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From: McQuigge, Michelle [mailto:Michelle.McQuigge@thecanadianpress.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 09, 2017 2:13 PM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Cc: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Press Inquiry about cuts to the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative

Michelle McQuigge
Reporter/Editor

OFFICE:
416 507 2140

MOBILE:
Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) Hello,

My name is Michelle McQuigge and I am a reporter with the Canadian Press. I was not sure whether to direct my question to the person handling queries about water or about the budget, so I have copied you both.

It has come to my attention that current budget proposals suggest the Great Lakes Resroration Initiative funding would be cut by 97 per cent. I realize this is not set in stone, but it already has many Canadian mayors very concerned about the long-term effects. Can you offer any comment on this issue? Do you know if this budget is fixed? Do you feel concerns are unfounded?

Many thanks,
Michelle

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/9/2017 7:03:36 PM
To: heather.richards@trib.com
Subject: Subject: For OPA Response: Casper Star-Tribune question on EPA funding

Dear Heather,

For attribution to Julia Valentine, or to "an agency spokesperson," please:

EPA is not commenting at this early stage in the process.

Thanks, R.

From: Mylott, Richard
Sent: Thursday, March 02, 2017 1:13 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Cc: Mutter, Andrew <mutter.andrew@epa.gov>; McClain-Vanderpool, Lisa <Mcclain-Vanderpool.Lisa@epa.gov>
Subject: For OPA Response: Casper Star-Tribune question on EPA funding

Hello,
I'm a reporter for the Casper Star Tribune. I'd like to speak with someone in the Region 8 office about how potential funding cuts to the EPA would impact Wyoming. Could someone give me a call at Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) Heather.Richards@Trib.Com?
Thank you,
Heather Richards

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/9/2017 6:59:24 PM
To: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Downsizing EPA regions to eight [WARNING: DKIM validation failed]

FYI.

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Thursday, March 09, 2017 1:59 PM
To: 'Dabbs, Brian' <bdabbs@bna.com>; Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Downsizing EPA regions to eight [WARNING: DKIM validation failed]

Good afternoon Brian,

For attribution to Julia or to "an EPA spokesperson," please, but we are not commenting at this early stage in the process.

Thanks, R.

From: Dabbs, Brian [mailto:bdabbs@bna.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 09, 2017 1:55 PM
To: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>; Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Downsizing EPA regions to eight [WARNING: DKIM validation failed]

Hey, hope you all are well.

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Brian Dabbs
Reporter
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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/9/2017 6:48:41 PM
To: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Subject: media inquiry regarding inspector general report

FYI: Approved response.

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Thursday, March 09, 2017 1:48 PM
To: 'paul.muschick@mcall.com' <paul.muschick@mcall.com>
Subject: Subject: media inquiry regarding inspector general report

Dear Paul, for attribution to "an agency spokesperson," please:

The OIG is in the best position to answer your question.

Very best, R.

From: Muschick, Paul [mailto:paul.muschick@mcall.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 09, 2017 12:37 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Cc: Muschick, Paul <paul.muschick@mcall.com>
Subject: media inquiry regarding inspector general report

Hi,

I also left a message on the media line. I am writing about OIG report 16-P-0048 from Nov. 30, 2015. The report noted that EPA would review the appropriateness of bonus awards made to an employee. I would like to know if that review was conducted and what the findings were. My deadline is 4 p.m. Friday. Thank you. I also have contacted the inspector general's press office.

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/9/2017 4:13:39 PM
To: Whyte, Chelsea (RBI-US) [Chelsea.Whyte@Newscientist.com]; Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: New Scientist magazine - request for comment / deadline today 5 PM EST

Good afternoon Chelsea,

For attribution to Julia Valentine, or to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

We are not commenting at this early stage in the process.

Very best, R.

From: Whyte, Chelsea (RBI-US) [mailto:Chelsea.Whyte@Newscientist.com]
Sent: Monday, March 06, 2017 1:21 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: New Scientist magazine - request for comment / deadline today 5 PM EST

Hello,

I'm a reporter with New Scientist magazine. I'm seeking comment on the agency's response to the proposed budget cuts in the OMB budget memo – Which programs in the agency may be reduced to meet the proposed 25% budget reduction?

I'm on deadline for 5 PM EST today.

Thank you,

Chelsea Whyte
Reporter
New Scientist
Cambridge, MA
Tel: 617.386.2119

Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/9/2017 4:07:51 PM
To: joey.bunch@ColoradoPolitics.com
Subject: Joey: Your questions for EPA

Good morning Joey and thanks for the e-mail,

For attribution to Julia Valentine or to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

We are not commenting at this early stage in the process.

Thanks again and all the best,

R.

From: Joey Bunch [mailto:joey.bunch@coloradopolitics.com]
Sent: Monday, March 06, 2017 3:11 PM
To: Mylott, Richard <Mylott.Richard@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: EPA offices getting cut?

Hey, Rich, can you comment or point me to someone who can?

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/9/2017 4:07:49 PM
To: andy@denverite.com
Subject: Andy: Your questions for EPA

Good morning Andy and thanks for the e-mail,

For attribution to Julia Valentine or to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

We are not commenting at this early stage in the process.

Thanks again and all the best,

R.

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/9/2017 3:58:15 PM
To: Mylott, Richard [Mylott.Richard@epa.gov]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: NBC News Radio on EPA Denver office

Rich, I closed this on Tuesday, FYI.

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Tuesday, March 07, 2017 12:49 PM
To: 'Taylor Summers' <Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Subject: RE: NBC News Radio on EPA Denver office

Good afternoon (morning for you) Taylor and thanks for the e-mail,

For attribution to Julia Valentine, an EPA spokesperson, please:

We are not commenting at this early stage in the process.

Thanks again and all the best,

R.

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From: Taylor Summers [mailto Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Tuesday, March 07, 2017 12:47 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: NBC News Radio on EPA Denver office

Hello Robert,

This is my email. Thank you for your help today.

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Sincerely,

Taylor Summers
NBC News Radio - Denver
O: 303-713-8685 (office hours are M-F, 6 a.m. to 2 p.m.)
C: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Message

From: Sharpe, Kristinn [Sharpe.Kristinn@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/9/2017 3:33:45 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]; Welderufael, Miriam [welderufael.miriam@epa.gov]; Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Architect magazine media inquiry: EnergyStar & President Trump

Thanks!

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Thursday, March 09, 2017 10:32 AM
To: Sharpe, Kristinn <Sharpe.Kristinn@epa.gov>; Welderufael, Miriam <welderufael.miriam@epa.gov>; Drinkard, Andrea <Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Architect magazine media inquiry: EnergyStar & President Trump

Handled.

Enesta Jones
U.S. EPA
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Office: 202.564.7873
Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

"The root of all joy is gratefulness."

Begin forwarded message:

> **Resent-From:** <Press@epa.gov>
> **From:** Chris Bentley <Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)>
> **Date:** March 9, 2017 at 10:23:21 AM EST
> **To:** "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** Press <Press@epa.gov>, "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
> **Subject: Re: Architect magazine media inquiry: EnergyStar & President Trump**
> **Reply-To:** "Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)"
>
> Thanks, Robert. I appreciate the quick reply.
>
> On Thu, Mar 9, 2017 at 10:13 AM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:
>
> > Good morning Chris,
> >
> > For attribution to Julia Valentine, an EPA spokesperson, please:

We are not commenting at this early stage in the process.

Thanks, R.

Robert Daguillard

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Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) (M)

From: Chris Bentley [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Thursday, March 09, 2017 10:10 AM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Cc: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Architect magazine media inquiry: EnergyStar & President Trump

Hello again,

Now that Sec. Pruitt is confirmed, I'm wondering if you can comment. Specifically, I'm gathering reactions to word that the EPA might slash its budget, including programs like EnergyStar. Can you confirm or comment?

Would love to talk to someone at EPA about this

On Thu, Feb 9, 2017 at 3:05 PM, Chris Bentley < Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) > wrote:

Understood, and thanks for the reply. Appreciate being added to your lists. I'll be in touch.

On Thu, Feb 9, 2017 at 1:30 PM, Press <Press@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Chris,

EPA does not have a confirmed Administrator and we cannot speculate on future plans for the agency.

We will add you to our media lists.

Thanks

Office of Public Affairs

US EPA Headquarters

Washington, DC

From: Chris Bentley [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Thursday, February 09, 2017 12:24 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Cc: vanessa.jones@epa.gov
Subject: Architect magazine media inquiry: EnergyStar & President Trump

Hello,

I'm following up on Vanessa Jones' voicemail.

I'm writing to tell you and your colleagues about a new column I'm writing for Architect. I'll be covering the new administration's impact on sustainable design, resilience, planning and the intersection of climate and the built environment.

Right now I'm reaching out to some potential sources just to ask what you and your colleagues are preparing for when it comes to President Trump's administration. **I'd like to speak with someone at EPA about the future of the EnergyStar program** over the next four years. My deadline is 3/3, but I'd like to connect with someone before then, if possible.

Feel free to share my inquiry with anyone you think might be helpful, and tell them they can give me an email or call (518-366-5732) anytime.

Please add me to any media lists you have and share my contact info with anyone who'd like to talk about federal policy on sustainable design and the built environment.

Thank you very much,

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/8/2017 8:26:43 PM
To: Joyce, Stephen [sjoyce@bna.com]
Subject: RE: GLRI funding in FY 18 [WARNING: DKIM validation failed]

Hullo Stephen,

For attribution to Julia Valentine, EPA spokesperson, please:

We are not commenting at this early stage in the process.

Thanks, R.

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From: Joyce, Stephen [mailto:sjoyce@bna.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 08, 2017 3:21 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: GLRI funding in FY 18 [WARNING: DKIM validation failed]

Two things:

1. Can you confirm, deny and/or comment on the attached proposed budget for fiscal 2018 for the Environmental Protection Agency, including whether it is genuine and authentic?

2. Do you have a date on which you'll be officially releasing your budget, and for what period of time will be budget cover?
I am hearing next week.

3. I'm in Chicago and follow the Great Lakes. If you or a colleague in WDC or Region 5 could comment on what the proposal means to the Great Lakes basin that'd be great.

Deadline is Thursday 09 March at 2 pm ET.

Thanks for the help,

Stephen

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/8/2017 8:05:51 PM
To: a.dellinger@ibtimes.com
Subject: Subject: Press inquiry re: EPA budget calls for shuttering Energy Star program

Good afternoon AJ,

For attribution to Julia Valentine, EPA spokesperson, please:

We are not commenting at this early stage in the process.

Regards, R.

From: AJ Dellinger [mailto:a.dellinger@ibtimes.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 08, 2017 2:49 PM
Subject: Press inquiry re: EPA budget calls for shuttering Energy Star program [WARNING: SPF validation failed]

Hello,

I'm working on a story for International Business Times about a report from E&E News that revealed a draft EPA budget calls for shuttering the Energy Star program.

I'm wondering if the Energy Star has any comment to provide on this report?

Thanks for your help and information.

Best Regards,
AJ Dellinger

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/1/2017 5:17:47 PM
To: Cook, Hilary [CookH@cbsnews.com]
Subject: RE: CBS NATIONAL NEWS REQUEST

Good morning Hilary,

We'll be referring you to the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (www.atsdr.cdc.gov) for the information you're seeking.

Thanks again for reaching out, R.

From: Cook, Hilary [mailto:CookH@cbsnews.com]
Sent: Monday, February 27, 2017 9:10 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: CBS NATIONAL NEWS REQUEST

Sounds good. My number is below.

Hilary Cook
CBS This Morning
Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

On Feb 27, 2017, at 9:08 AM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

> Let me call you at 9:15?
>
> ---
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> **From:** Cook, Hilary [mailto:CookH@cbsnews.com]
> **Sent:** Monday, February 27, 2017 9:06 AM
> **To:** Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** Re: CBS NATIONAL NEWS REQUEST
>
> That'd be great Robert. Thank you.
> What time are you available to talk?
>
> On Feb 27, 2017, at 9:01 AM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:
>
>> Good morning Hilary,
>>
>> A quick word to acknowledge receipt. Are you on deadline? I can't give you comments for attribution as I'm not a subject matter expert, but I'd be happy to chat to learn a bit more about your story – and how EPA can help.
>>
>> Let me know what time would work best for you today.
>>
>> Thanks, R.
>>
>> On Feb 26, 2017, at 3:58 PM, Cook, Hilary <CookH@cbsnews.com> wrote:
>>
>> Hi there –

Hilary here with CBS News.
I was wondering if you have any information on the chemical Borax. Specifically, I'm trying to gauge where its most commonly found and how dangerous it is – particularly for children.
Please let me know if you have a minute to get on the phone either today or tomorrow.
You can reach me at this email or on my cell phone at any time Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Thanks,
Hilary

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Message

From: Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]
Sent: 2/23/2017 8:31:08 PM
To: Alex Guillen [aguillen@politico.com]
Subject: Re: Twitter photo

Hi Alex,

For attribution to an agency spokesperson:

Career leaders in EPA's Office of Research and Development.

Thanks

Julia P. Valentine
Office of Media Relations
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Sent from USEPA iPhone

On Feb 23, 2017, at 1:44 PM, Alex Guillen <aguillen@politico.com> wrote:

Hi all,

Could you please identify the EPA employees pictured in this shot Adm. Pruitt tweeted today?

https://twitter.com/EPAScottPruitt/status/834833803583557633/photo/1

Thank you!

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Message

From: Dennis, Allison [Dennis.Allison@epa.gov]
Sent: 5/31/2017 2:44:10 AM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]; Lynn, Tricia [lynn.tricia@epa.gov]
Subject: Fwd: Heads up on wotus

FYI

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

> **From:** <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>
> **Date:** May 30, 2017 at 6:39:23 PM EDT
> **To:** Nancy Grantham <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>, <Threet.Derek@epa.gov>
> **Subject: Heads up on wotus**
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> Close hold info
>
> **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)** I will know more tomorrow after the 10 am weekly wotus mtg with Sarah g.
>
> Sent from my iPhone

Message

From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: 5/30/2017 2:20:41 PM
To: cdorobek@chrisdorobek.com.
CC: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named A Fellow

Hi Christopher,

Hope all is well. I have a story idea that I would like to pitch to you. It is under embargo until June 1.

One of our staffers has been named a Fellow for the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (AERE). This honor recognizes the most distinguished "individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the advancement of the profession of environmental and resource economics." AERE is the leading association for environmental economics; it has more than 1,000 members from over 30 countries, representing academia, and the public and private sectors. He is the first Fellow from government.

Are you interested in an interview?

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"The root of all joy is gratefulness."

Message

From: Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]
Sent: 5/30/2017 1:56:35 PM
To: AO OPA Media Relations [AO_OPA_Media_Relations@epa.gov]
Subject: OMR today

Good morning, team!

Hope you each had a nice long holiday weekend.

Christie will be in after her morning appointment and Acting today and tomorrow.

That said, George and I had a great meeting with Amy Graham late Thursday and it's important we keep the momentum going with her. To that end, **I will be talking with Amy today and tomorrow about process.** So you may hear from me if anything evolves that is important to our OMR processes. Not expecting anything major.

Regarding the email I forwarded from Ryan Jackson on Friday. While George and I have not been told that it is close hold (outside of OPA), we think it is safest to assume that it is until we hear otherwise.

The one additional thing I will be doing today and tomorrow is the daily email I've been sending upstairs about upcoming HQ actions and issues. So please **check with your programs and send a few sentences about what is upcoming this week and two to three weeks into June.** If there are drafts, please include those. Releases, listservs, public meetings, desk statements, FR notices going live.

Thank you all and see you Thursday!

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 5/22/2017 12:00:18 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]; AO OPA Media Relations [AO_OPA_Media_Relations@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: AMY/JP - FOR REVIEW - Response to Morgan Smith of Texas Tribune on state registration of Kaput - DEADLINE 5/17
Attachments: RE: EPA Response: State registration of Kaput

Good morning,

Please see attached.

Thanks for re-sending, R.

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Friday, May 19, 2017 10:25 AM
To: AO OPA Media Relations <AO_OPA_Media_Relations@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: AMY/JP - FOR REVIEW - Response to Morgan Smith of Texas Tribune on state registration of Kaput - DEADLINE 5/17

Does anyone know if Robert sent the response to the reporter? I wasn't cc'ed or bcc'ed on the approved response to the reporter.

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Begin forwarded message:

> **Resent-From:** <Press@epa.gov>
> **From:** "Graham, Amy" <graham.amy@epa.gov>
> **Date:** May 18, 2017 at 3:29:33 PM EDT
> **To:** "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>, Press <Press@epa.gov>
> **Subject: RE: AMY/JP - FOR REVIEW - Response to Morgan Smith of Texas Tribune on state registration of Kaput - DEADLINE 5/17**
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> ok
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> **From:** Daguillard, Robert
> **Sent:** Thursday, May 18, 2017 11:43 AM
> **To:** Press <Press@epa.gov>

Subject: AMY/JP - FOR REVIEW - Response to Morgan Smith of Texas Tribune on state registration of Kaput - DEADLINE 5/17

BACKGROUND

The reporter is following up on Tuesday's response to her questions on state pesticide product registration. We've worked with her on previous questions about warfarin, the active ingredient in "Kaput," a feral hog bait popular in West Texas. Morgan Smith – msmith@texastribune.com

RESPONSE

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Morgan Smith [mailto:msmith@texastribune.org]
Sent: Tuesday, May 16, 2017 10:49 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: EPA Response: State registration of Kaput

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Thanks!

Morgan

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Message

From: Randy Loftis Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: 5/19/2017 4:42:25 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Need titles and duties for three employees

I can't adhere to that, and I think you know that.

Given that, here's the gist of what I'll have to report in order to explain the EPA's refusal to disclose the job titles and duties of its own employees:

-- I asked the press office for the job titles and duties on March 16. The EPA never responded.
-- I asked again two months later, on May 19. You responded with no comment and no attribution.
-- I said no, I must have a name and would be happy to publish the EPA's explanation for the no comment.
-- You gave me Liz's name for attribution but did not address why the EPA refused to provide the information.
-- I again asked you why the EPA won't provide the information.
-- You then attempted not to authorize the use of either your or Liz's name for attribution. You also continued to refuse to explain the refusal to share the job titles and duties of EPA employees.

If this isn't accurate, let me know.

On Fri, May 19, 2017 at 11:22 AM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:
Hi Randy,

I do not authorize you using my name or Liz Bowman. Thanks in advance for adhering to this.

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Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

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On May 19, 2017, at 12:13 PM, Randy Loftis <Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)> wrote:

Sorry, but the EPA's refusal to provide the job titles and duties of its own employees will have to be attributed to you by name. I would be happy to add an explanation, on the record and attributed to you or someone else, of why the EPA refuses to disclose the job titles and duties of its own employees.

Randy

On Fri, May 19, 2017 at 11:07 AM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Randy,

Please attribute to an agency spokesperson:

We decline to comment.

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Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

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On May 19, 2017, at 12:06 PM, Randy Loftis <Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)> wrote:

On March 16, 2017, I asked the press office for the titles and job descriptions of EPA employees David Kreutzer, David Schnare and George Sugiyama. I have received no reply.

Mr. Schnare has since left the agency. Mr. Kreutzer and Mr. Sugiyama remain with the agency.

What are the titles and duties of Mr. Kreutzer and Mr. Sugiyama?

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding my question.

Thank you.

Randy Loftis

On Thu, Mar 16, 2017 at 9:37 AM, Randy Loftis <Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)> wrote:

Hello,

Could you provide the titles and job descriptions/duties of the following three employees:

David Kreutzer
David Schnare
George Sugiyama

My deadline for reporting is COB Friday, March 24.

Thank you. Randy Loftis

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You can send, Enesta, thanks

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Message

From: Katie Koziara [KKoziara@ourpublicservice.org]
Sent: 5/4/2017 6:49:44 PM
To: Shah, Surabhi [Shah.Surabhi@epa.gov]
CC: Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]; Thomas, Latosha [Thomas.Latosha@epa.gov]; Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: Embargoed Sammies Finalists News Release
Attachments: 2017 Sammies finalists news release Embargoed.pdf

Good afternoon:

Congratulations again on being a Sammies finalist! I am getting back in touch to share an early look at our embargoed news release announcing the finalists, please note attached. We encourage your communications office to put out a press release/statement about your selection as a finalist and share the news internally and through social media channels too after the embargo lifts Sunday night. Our hashtag for Sammies is #Sammies2017 and our handle is @rpublicservice.

Additionally, we're hosting a Twitter chat on Tuesday, May 9 at 2 p.m. entitled "Why do Sammies finalists serve?" Questions include the following:

- Why did you join public service?
- What motivated you to pursue the accomplishment that earned you a Sammies nomination?
- How does recognition make a difference for federal employees?

Let me know if you're interested in joining and I can add you as a featured panelist. We look forward to sharing Sammies finalists' work with Federal News Radio, GovLoop, Government Matters TV and other media outlets throughout the summer!

Again, congratulations on your selection as a finalist, and I look forward to meeting you on Tuesday.

Best,
Katie

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/29/2017 4:00:43 PM
To: jmurray@chroniclemail.com
Subject: EPA Response: Budget

Elizabeth, for attribution to Julia Valentine or to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

EPA Answer:
The budget blueprint reflects the President's priorities of preserving clean air and water as well as to ease the burden of costly regulations to industry. Administrator Pruitt is committed to leading the EPA in a more effective, more focused, less costly way as we partner with states to fulfill the agency's core mission.

My story is covering how potential EPA cuts rom the Trump administration will affect Region 5, especially Chicago.

I'm wondering if I can get comment from the EPA about how cutting funding for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative and the Office of Environmental Justice will impact the city and the environment, and what the EPA is possibly doing to combat these cuts.

Thanks!

Jackie Murray

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/29/2017 3:59:27 PM
To: Elizabeth.Miller@ideastream.org
Subject: EPA Response: Budget

Elizabeth, for attribution to Julia Valentine or to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

EPA Answer:
The budget blueprint reflects the President's priorities of preserving clean air and water as well as to ease the burden of costly regulations to industry. Administrator Pruitt is committed to leading the EPA in a more effective, more focused, less costly way as we partner with states to fulfill the agency's core mission.

We just spoke on the phone - I'm a reporter for WCPN/Ideastream in Cleveland and Great Lakes Today. I'm writing to see if you can confirm a detail of a story from the Detroit News. Here is a link to the story: http://www.detroitnews.com/story/news/politics/2017/03/28/trump-seeks-great-lakes-cut-help-fund-wall/99752504/.

Has an immediate $50 million cut to the GLRI been proposed? If so, when?
If this has been proposed, what are the next steps?

Thanks.

-Elizabeth
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Sent from my iPhone

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/29/2017 2:48:33 PM
To: Emmalina Glinskis [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Subject: RE: Data Access Inquiry: Light-Duty Automotive Technology, Carbon Dioxide Emissions, and Fuel Economy Trends: 1975 Through 2016

Amelia, with apologies for the late response and for attribution to Julia Valentine or to "an EPA spokesperson."

EPA's Fuel Economy Trends report is published annually to summarize trends in EPA's best estimate of real world tailpipe carbon dioxide (CO_2) emissions and fuel economy, and associated technologies. The Trends database has been maintained by EPA since 1975, and is the most comprehensive of its kind. All data are based on annual production volumes of new personal vehicles, including passenger cars, sport utility vehicles, minivans, and all but the largest pickup trucks and vans. More information on this report may be found here: https://www.epa.gov/fueleconomy/trends-report

The attached data is the underlying data used in table ES-3 in the Executive Summary of this report.

From: Emmalina Glinskis [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 3:01 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Data Access Inquiry: Light-Duty Automotive Technology, Carbon Dioxide Emissions, and Fuel Economy Trends: 1975 Through 2016

Hello Robert,

Just wanted to check in again, any news on the raw data from that report (pg 3)?
Deadline is this late afternoon/evening now.

Best,
Emmalina Glinskis
Climate Desk - VICE News Tonight

On Wed, Mar 15, 2017 at 11:18 AM, Emmalina Glinskis < Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) > wrote:

> Sure thing Robert! The deadline is more flexible than I thought. The show will air tonight however. Thanks for helping out where you can.
>
> Best,
> Emmalina Glinskis
>
> On Mar 15, 2017 7:02 AM, "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:
>
> > Thanks, Amelia,
> >
> > I can't promise we'll make this tight a deadline, but let me see what I can find out.

From: Emmalina Glinskis [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 5:46 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Data Access Inquiry: Light-Duty Automotive Technology, Carbon Dioxide Emissions, and Fuel Economy Trends: 1975 Through 2016

Hi Robert,

Thanks for looking into it. Our deadline is 11 am EST.

Best,

Emmalina Glinskis

On Mar 14, 2017 11:49 AM, "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Hullo Amelia,

Let me look into it for you. What's your hard deadline, please?

Thanks, R.

Robert Daguillard

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From: Emmalina Glinskis [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 12:45 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Data Access Inquiry: Light-Duty Automotive Technology, Carbon Dioxide Emissions, and Fuel Economy Trends: 1975 Through 2016

Hello,

I'm a environment reporter for VICE News Tonight on HBO. I was wondering if the data used in the graphs on the 2016 Trends Report on page 3 (https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2016-11/documents/420s16001.pdf) was open source and if possible, could my team get access to the raw data? We're on a tight deadline and hoping to publish tomorrow so any help on this matter would be great appreciated!

Best,

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Emmalina (Amelia) Glinskis

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/27/2017 7:57:07 PM
To: Steve Davies [steve@agri-pulse.com]; Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Chlorpyrifos

Hullo Steve,

For attribution to Julia Valentine or to "an EPA spokesperson," please: The agency will respond via a Federal Register notice.

Thanks, R.

From: Steve Davies [mailto:steve@agri-pulse.com]
Sent: Monday, March 27, 2017 10:12 AM
To: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>
Cc: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Chlorpyrifos

Thank you

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On Mon, Mar 27, 2017 at 10:09 AM, Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov> wrote:

> Hi Steve,
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> Robert Daguillard, cc'd here, will check on that for you.
>
> Julia P. Valentine
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From: Steve Davies [mailto:steve@agri-pulse.com]
Sent: Monday, March 27, 2017 10:03 AM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Chlorpyrifos

A court-ordered decision is due March 31. How will this be announced? I am trying to make sure I find out about it as soon as possible after documents are filed in the 9th Circuit.

Thank you.

Steve Davies

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From: Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/24/2017 7:14:38 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]; Sharon Lerner [sharon.lerner@theintercept.com]
Subject: RE: Press Inquiry about Integrated Risk information System (IRIS) and chloroprene

Hi Sharon,

My apologies that we were not able to get this to you sooner. I know you have already written, but here are the responses you requested:

EPA Response:

Q1) What was the purpose of that meeting?
A: Stakeholders can request meetings with the IRIS Program. Information on stakeholder requested meetings (e.g., topic, participants, materials shared with EPA, and meeting date/location) is available at https://cfpub.epa.gov/ncea/iris2/events.cfm#stakeholderMeetings. In this instance, the purpose of the stakeholder meeting was to discuss the science in the 2010 IRIS assessment of chloroprene.

Q2) Was Ramboll Environ representing DuPont?
A: Ramboll Environ was representing Denka Performance Elastomers.

Q3) I know that IRIS evaluated chloroprene in 2010. When did that evaluation become public?
A: EPA's final IRIS assessment of chloroprene was posted and publicly available on the IRIS database in September 2010. A history of the development of the assessment is available at: https://cfpub.epa.gov/ncea/iris2/chemicalLanding.cfm?substance_nmbr=1021.

Q4) Is or was the EPA planning any further steps on chloroprene?
A: The IRIS Program has no assessment activity with chloroprene at this time. The IRIS Program maintains an agenda which indicates those chemicals which are actively under development or planned for assessment in the near future. Current and historical IRIS agendas are available at: https://www.epa.gov/iris/iris-agenda.

Q5) I retrieved to 8(e) reports from the EPA website about DuPont research showing health effects of chloroprene that the company had submitted in 1992. The studies were submitted 21 and 51 years after the company performed them. Was there any discussion of fining the company for withholding this information? If not, why not?
A: No, because they were submitted under a 1990's Compliance Audit Program (CAP), which encouraged companies to submit data to EPA. This was a one-time voluntary compliance program designed to encourage companies to voluntarily audit their files for studies reportable under section 8(e). This is described in a February 1, 1991 Federal Register notice (56 FR 4128). EPA received more than 10,000 submissions under that program

Q6) Having just gotten off the phone with the Secretary of Louisiana's Department of Environmental Quality, let me add one more question. We were discussing the IRIS reference concentration for inhalation exposure, which is 2 x10-2 (see https://cfpub.epa.gov/ncea/iris2/chemicalLanding.cfm?substance_nmbr=1021) and he said "no one is standing by that number." But I can see from this document that the confidence is listed as "medium/high." My question is: is EPA standing by that number?
A: IRIS assessments go through rigorous review prior to final posting. The chloroprene assessment was subject to review by EPA program and regional scientists, other federal departments and While House offices, and an external peer review during development of the assessment. EPA stands by its assessment, and considers the 2010 IRIS assessment scientifically valid and appropriate to support Agency decisions.

It is important to note that the Reference Concentration, which is a toxicity value for non-cancer effects through inhalation exposure, was not the focus of recent discussion on the IRIS assessment on chloroprene. Stakeholder comments from the August 9, 2016 meeting (available at https://cfpub.epa.gov/ncea/iris2/events.cfm#stakeholderMeetings) focused on the derivation of the Inhalation Unit Risk value, which is an estimate of the cancer risk from inhalation exposure to a chemical for a lifetime.

(Note: The question was missing the units for the RfC. The RfC is $2x10^{-2}$ mg/m^3.)

Q7) When and why was IRIS first created?
A: The IRIS Program was created by EPA in 1985 to provide an internal database of human health assessments for chemicals found in the environment, and to foster consistency in the evaluation of chemical toxicity across the Agency. Since then, the IRIS Program has become an important public resource as well, providing high-quality, evidence-based assessments. More information about the IRIS Program and its history is available at: https://www.epa.gov/iris/basic-information-about-integrated-risk-information-system.

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From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Tuesday, March 07, 2017 3:07 PM
To: Sharon Lerner <sharon.lerner@theintercept.com>
Subject: RE: Press Inquiry about Integrated Risk information System (IRIS) and chloroprene

Sharon, a quick follow-up, if I may, on the following part of your inquiry:

A few questions about the proposed reduction in EPA's budget:

Is IRIS slated for elimination as part of the budget reduction?

Is the National Air Toxics Assessment program expected to continue?

Do you know which two regional offices will be eliminated under the proposed plan to close to regional offices?

For attribution to Julia Valentine, an EPA spokesperson:

We are not commenting at this early stage in the process.

Thanks, R.

From: Sharon Lerner [mailto:sharon.lerner@theintercept.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 07, 2017 12:13 PM
To: Milbourn, Cathy <Milbourn.Cathy@epa.gov>
Subject: Press Inquiry about Integrated Risk information System (IRIS) and chloroprene

Hi Cathy-

I hope you're doing well. I'm writing with some questions for a story I'm writing about that talks both about a chemical called chloroprene and about IRIS, the Integrated Risk Information System. Below are my questions. Can you please get back to me with response by Friday?

I know that IRIS issued a toxicological review of chloroprene in 2010. When did that evaluation become public - was it in 2010?

Is or was the EPA planning any further steps regarding chloroprene?

When and why was IRIS first created?

A few questions about the proposed reduction in EPA's budget:

Is IRIS slated for elimination as part of the budget reduction?

Is the National Air Toxics Assessment program expected to continue?

Do you know which two regional offices will be eliminated under the proposed plan to close to regional offices?

I saw that there was an August 9 of 2016 meeting about chloroprene with representatives of the company Ramboll Environ.
- What was the purpose of that meeting?
- Was Ramboll Environ representing DuPont?

I retrieved to 8(e) reports from the EPA website about DuPont research showing health effects of chloroprene that the company had submitted in 1992. The studies were submitted 21 and 51 years after the company performed them. Was there any discussion of fining the company for withholding this information? If not, why not?

Thank you,
Sharon

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 5/2/2017 3:31:49 PM
To: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Subject: Anticipating the Environmental Impact and Behavioral Drivers of Deep Carbonization

FYI. This is now closed.

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Tuesday, May 02, 2017 10:45 AM
To: 'Ken Maize' < Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) >
Subject: RE: Subject: Anticipating the Environmental Impact and Behavioral Drivers of Deep Carbonization

Dear Ken, with apologies for the late reply – and for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

The application period closed on February 10, 2017. All applications received under the Anticipating the Environmental Impact and Behavioral Drivers of Deep Carbonization Request for Applications (RFA) are currently going through EPA's normal process for grant competitions. All updates will be posted here: https://www.epa.gov/research-grants/research-funding-opportunities

Regards, R.

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From: Ken Maize [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
Sent: Thursday, April 06, 2017 5:19 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Subject: Anticipating the Environmental Impact and Behavioral Drivers of Deep Carbonization

Tuesday, April 11. Thanks for getting back to me.

On Thu, Apr 6, 2017 at 3:58 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

> Hullo Ken,
>
> My colleagues at the EPA Office of Research and Development have forwarded me your query. Would you mind sharing your deadline with us?
>
> Regards, R.

From: Ken Maize [mailto Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Wednesday, April 05, 2017 5:20 PM
To: Keating, Terry <Keating.Terry@epa.gov>
Subject: Anticipating the Environmental Impact and Behavioral Drivers of Deep Carbonization

My name is Kennedy Maize and I'm a reporter for POWER magazine. What is the status of this solicitation? Who has applied. Will EPA be moving forward with this?

Robert Daguillard

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Message

From: Banis, Lacey - Time Inc. Content Solutions <Lacey.Banis@timeinc.com> [Lacey.Banis@timeinc.com]
Sent: 4/27/2017 4:30:08 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: MEDIA REQUEST FOR TIME INC.: Help, please, re Rotenone
Attachments: image001.png; image001.png; image001.png; image001.png; image001.png

So it isn't "banned" though in the US, right?

And I don't think we'll need attribution as this is for informational purposes only, but should GEICO decide to do something else with it, I will let them know to attribute to an EPA spokesperson!

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From: "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Date: Thursday, April 27, 2017 at 12:28 PM
To: Time Inc <lacey.banis@timeinc.com>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: MEDIA REQUEST FOR TIME INC.: Help, please, re Rotenone

Lacey, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson, please:"

"All rotenone products are restricted for use by certified applicators only and, therefore, not registered for garden use."

Thanks, R.

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On Apr 27, 2017, at 10:31 AM, Banis, Lacey - Time Inc. Content Solutions <Lacey.Banis@timeinc.com> <Lacey.Banis@timeinc.com> wrote:

> Good morning! I hope you're both well. Think we might get answers today?
> ---
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From: "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Date: Wednesday, April 26, 2017 at 3:36 PM
To: Time Inc <lacey.banis@timeinc.com>, "Milbourn, Cathy" <Milbourn.Cathy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: MEDIA REQUEST FOR TIME INC.: Help, please, re Rotenone

Good afternoon Lacey,

Can't make any promises, but I'm very much hoping we can make it happen.

Thanks, R.

From: Banis, Lacey - Time Inc. Content Solutions <Lacey.Banis@timeinc.com>
[mailto:Lacey.Banis@timeinc.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 26, 2017 3:34 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Milbourn, Cathy <Milbourn.Cathy@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: MEDIA REQUEST FOR TIME INC.: Help, please, re Rotenone
Importance: High

Hi again! Just checking in to see if there is any way we'll get answers by EOD today? I'm just trying to manage the higher-ups expectations. I really don't mean to push you.

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From: Time Inc <lacey.banis@timeinc.com>
Date: Wednesday, April 26, 2017 at 11:18 AM
To: "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: MEDIA REQUEST FOR TIME INC.: Help, please, re Rotenone

Good day, Robert! I know you're still waiting, but just wanted to check in.I had told the managers yesterday that I had asked if at all possible to get the answers by EOD today unless you think that'll be totally impossible.

I hope you're having a good morning so far.

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From: Time Inc <lacey.banis@timeinc.com>
Date: Tuesday, April 25, 2017 at 12:22 PM
To: "daguillard.robert@epa.gov" <daguillard.robert@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: MEDIA REQUEST FOR TIME INC.: Help, please, re Rotenone

And, again this is strictly informational for internal purposes only.

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From: Time Inc <lacey.banis@timeinc.com>
Date: Tuesday, April 25, 2017 at 10:39 AM
To: "milbourn.cathy@epa.gov" <milbourn.cathy@epa.gov>
Subject: MEDIA REQUEST FOR TIME INC.: Help, please, re Rotenone

Hi Cathy,

I'm the Director of Research for The Foundry at Time Inc. We create custom content for companies like Ford, GEICO, etc.

We had written a story for GEICO about gardening and different tips for getting rid of common pests. One expert we quoted mentioned using a rotenone-pyrethrin spray to get rid of caterpillars chewing up your garden.

Upon further subsequent research, however, I found that the product registration for rotenone was canceled. That is correct, yes?

Does canceled mean it's no longer available for sale in the US?

Does that effectively then mean that rotenone and any products containing rotenone are banned in the US?

We already made the mistake and published the quote and so now people want to know the bottom line with this chemical, which is why I'm asking and trying to properly correct this mess. I wanted to go to the definitive source on what the deal exactly is with rotenone so we can explain it to our client.

I'm hoping you can help me out relatively quickly as I have a meeting today about it. I'm so sorry for the last minute ask. I had spoken yesterday to a coordinator at the University of Nevada Cooperative Extension who helped me through this as one of my freelancers had worked on this story. I thought that would suffice, but understandably people higher than myself want me to get the official word from the EPA. If there is any possible way you can answer my(3) questions above, as well as offer any further insight to someone entirely unfamiliar with pesticides and EPA process, I would greatly appreciate it.

Thank you, thank you,
Lacey

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Message

From: Yan, Holly [Holly.Yan@turner.com]
Sent: 4/26/2017 3:11:27 PM
To: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: Question about EPA's 2015 glyphosate report

Hello,

This is Holly Yan from CNN Digital. We are working on a story that involves an EPA CARC report on glyphosate. I emailed the below question 1 week ago, but have not received an answer yet. (Robert Daguillard suggested I try the "press@epa.gov" address now.) Would you please help us answer the following:

1) As noted by Monsanto, a report by the EPA's Cancer Assessment Review Committee about glyphosate was posted on the EPA's website on Friday, April 29, 2016. That report said glyphosate is "not likely to be carcinogenic to humans." However, three days later -- on May 2, 2016 -- that report was removed from the EPA's website with no explanation. Why was the report removed?

We will be publishing this story in the next few days, so your prompt response would be very helpful for the readers.

Thank you,
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From: Yan, Holly
Sent: Monday, April 24, 2017 3:51 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert
Subject: Re: EPA Response:: Glyphosate

Hi Robert,

Just wanted to make sure you received this email from last Wednesday. We are looking to publish this story this week, so your response would be greatly appreciated.

Thanks,
Holly

From: Yan, Holly
Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 1:12 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert
Subject: Re: EPA Response:: Glyphosate

Hi Robert,

Ideally we'd like a response before 12pm ET Friday. Would that be possible?

Thanks,
Holly

From: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 12:22 PM
To: Yan, Holly
Cc: Press
Subject: RE: EPA Response:: Glyphosate

Good afternoon Holly. Thanks for reaching out.

Are you on deadline?

Regards, R.

From: Yan, Holly [mailto:Holly.Yan@turner.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 11:43 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: EPA Response:: Glyphosate
Importance: High

Hi Robert,

Thank you for your earlier statement for our glyphosate story. We have one more follow-up question for you:

1) As noted by Monsanto, a report by the EPA's Cancer Assessment Review Committee about glyphosate was posted on the EPA's website on Friday, April 29, 2016. That report said glyphosate is "not likely to be carcinogenic to humans." However, three days later -- on May 2, 2016 -- that report was removed from the EPA's website with no explanation. Why was the report removed?

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From: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2017 2:16 PM
To: Yan, Holly
Subject: EPA Response:: Glyphosate

Holly, for attribution to U.S. EPA or to "an agency spokesperson," please:

The *In Re Round Products Liability Litigation* is a dispute between private litigants, and EPA is not a party to the case. Beyond that, the Agency does not comment on active litigation and is represented by the DOJ.

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 4/26/2017 11:46:31 AM
To: prizzuto@bna.com
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Is the agency considering transferring IRIS functions into the OCSPP or elsewhere within the agency [WARNING: DKIM validation failed]

Good morning Pat,

With apologies for the delay – and for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

"EPA is evaluating different approaches to implementing the President's budget that would allow us to effectively serve the taxpayers and protect the environment. While many in Washington insist on greater spending, EPA is focused on greater value and results. The EPA will partner with the states to ensure a thoughtful approach is used to maximize every dollar to protect our air, land, and water."

From: Rizzuto, Denise Pat [mailto:prizzuto@bna.com]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 8:17 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Is the agency considering transferring IRIS functions into the OCSPP or elsewhere within the agency [WARNING: DKIM validation failed]

Thanks Robert, hope to hear answer later.

Pat

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From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 7:48 AM
To: Rizzuto, Denise Pat <prizzuto@bna.com>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Is the agency considering transferring IRIS functions into the OCSPP or elsewhere within the agency [WARNING: DKIM validation failed]

Good morning Pat,

Quick word to acknowledge receipt.

Thanks, R.

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From: prizzuto@bna.com [mailto:prizzuto@bna.com]
Sent: Monday, April 17, 2017 5:37 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Is the agency considering transferring IRIS functions into the OCSPP or elsewhere within the agency [WARNING: DKIM validation failed]

The president's fiscal year 2018 budget says IRIS would be eliminated. Yet the functions IRIS provides—the development of hazard characterizations and toxicity values—have been used by multiple agency offices and states. Is EPA discussing transferring those functions to the OCSPP or other agency office? Deadline tomorrow (Tuesday, April 18 Noon).

Pat

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Message

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Sent: 4/25/2017 8:32:02 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
CC: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]; StClair, Christie [StClair.Christie@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: +RESPONSE: ProPublica (DDL 3/22): Open Burn

All, please hold while I am looking into this. I will circle back.

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Sent: Tuesday, April 25, 2017 4:31 PM
To: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>
Cc: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>; Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: +RESPONSE: ProPublica (DDL 3/22): Open Burn

FYI. Here's what Christie sent up for approval awhile back. I was just about to reformat and send up to 3.

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"The root of all joy is gratefulness."

Begin forwarded message:

> **From:** "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
> **Date:** April 25, 2017 at 4:29:52 PM EDT
> **To:** "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
> **Subject: Fwd: +RESPONSE: ProPublica (DDL 3/22): Open Burn**

Enesta Jones
U.S. EPA

Office of Media Relations
Office: 202.564.7873
Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

"The root of all joy is gratefulness."

Begin forwarded message:

Resent-From: <Press@epa.gov>
From: "StClair, Christie" <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Date: March 30, 2017 at 1:07:09 PM EDT
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: +RESPONSE: ProPublica (DDL 3/22): Open Burn

GTG?

ProPublica
Andrew Lustgarten
Abrahm.Lustgarten@propublica.org
DDL 3/22

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Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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This response was developed by staff in EPA's Office of Land and Emergency Management; specifically OLEM's Office of Resource Conservation and Recovery.

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Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Christie St. Clair
Office of Public Affairs

Environmental Protection Agency
Washington, DC
o: 202-564-2880
m: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

From: Sundin, Elizabeth
Sent: Wednesday, March 22, 2017 8:44 AM
To: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>; StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Cc: Cohen, Nancy <Cohen.Nancy@epa.gov>; ORCR Press <ORCR_Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: ProPublica (DDL 3/22): Open Burn

Hi Julia,

Our response to the ProPublica inquiry can be found below the OPA background and approval. We did not respond to Question 4 – please advise us in how to respond to this one. Our suggestion is to let them know the Office of Land and Emergency Management has expertise in this area.

Background: This reporter reached out to us in mid-February for specific Open Burn/Open Detonation responses. I have attached our previous responses. Much like the previous inquiry, for the current inquiry we are advising Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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This response was approved by the Division Director that handles RCRA Open Burn/Open Detonation

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Thanks!

Elizabeth Sundin
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Office of Resource Conservation and Recovery
(703) 347-8955

From: StClair, Christie
Sent: Friday, March 17, 2017 5:19 PM
To: Arcari, Christine <Arcari.Christine@epa.gov>
Cc: Sundin, Elizabeth <Sundin.Elizabeth@epa.gov>; ORCR Press <ORCR_Press@epa.gov>; Cohen, Nancy <Cohen.Nancy@epa.gov>; Valentine, Julia

<Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: ProPublica (DDL 3/22): Open Burn

Thanks, Christine. I'm looping Julia, as I'll be in training all next week - so she will be the one sorting this out.

I appreciate all your work on this!

Have a great weekend.

Christie

Christie St. Clair
EPA Public Affairs
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On Mar 17, 2017, at 4:43 PM, Arcari, Christine <Arcari.Christine@epa.gov> wrote:

> Hi Christie,
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> We have checked with a number of people in the group that handles open burn open detonation inquiries and they have not seen any FOIAs come through. We have one more person to check with and will let you know.
>
> I also heard from that group about the Wednesday deadline and it will not be possible for a full response to this inquiry. This request would require the same amount of work as this reporter's previous inquiries since we'd have to do our own data pull to be able to verify his. We will be able to provide responses by Wednesday, but they will likely include similar language that we provided to his last inquiry.
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> Thanks,
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> Christine
> ---
> Christine Arcari
> U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
> Email: arcari.christine@epa.gov
> Phone: 703-308-8462
> Follow us on Twitter @EPAland
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> **From:** StClair, Christie
> **Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2017 5:10 PM
> **To:** Sundin, Elizabeth <Sundin.Elizabeth@epa.gov>; ORCR Press <ORCR_Press@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** Cohen, Nancy <Cohen.Nancy@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** RE: ProPublica (DDL 3/22): Open Burn
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> Yes, he says he has submitted several FOIAs.
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> **Christie St. Clair**
> Office of Public Affairs
>
> Environmental Protection Agency

Washington, DC
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Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 5:09 PM
To: StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>; ORCR Press <ORCR_Press@epa.gov>
Cc: Cohen, Nancy <Cohen.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: ProPublica (DDL 3/22): Open Burn

Hi Christie,

In our previous response in February, we advised that the reporter submit a FOIA to obtain some of this information as it will take several weeks to pull together. Do you know if he submitted one? Since the questions have narrowed from the last inquiry, we can check back in with our program and see if this deadline is attainable.

Thanks,

Elizabeth Sundin
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(703) 347-8955

From: StClair, Christie
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 3:27 PM
To: ORCR Press <ORCR_Press@epa.gov>
Cc: Cohen, Nancy <Cohen.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: ProPublica (DDL 3/22): Open Burn

Is this deadline reasonable? Thanks - Christie

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DDL 3/22

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 4/24/2017 8:41:09 PM
To: nderringer@bridgemi.com
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: EPA Response: Your question on GLRI

Good afternoon Ms. Derringer,

For attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

"EPA is evaluating different approaches to implementing the President's budget that would allow us to effectively serve the taxpayers and protect the environment. While many in Washington insist on greater spending, EPA is focused on greater value and results. The EPA will partner with the states to ensure a thoughtful approach is used to maximize every dollar to protect our air, land, and water."

Reporter - Nancy Derringer, nderringer@bridgemi.com

My editor downloaded a database of all the GLRI projects, and noticed some trends. I'm wondering:

1) It looks as though the program hit the ground running in 2010, with 164 projects total, 142 of them new. Since then, thought, it appears to be dwindling, with only 5 new projects in 2016. Can you explain the trend?

2) What's the relationship, financially and otherwise, between the EPA and some of the other agencies involved -- NOAA, BIA, USACE, etc.? Would a cutback to the GLRI cover these projects in full, in part, or not at all? (I know that's a dumb question. Yes, I know.)

3) What are the implications for the health of the Great Lakes if this program were zeroed out, as the administration would like to do? It's only a few years old, and I know it's been very successful in individual projects, but what are we talking about here? What's at risk?

Thanks, R

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 5/9/2017 11:28:16 AM
To: Kessler, Aaron [Aaron.Kessler@turner.com]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Subject: An inquiry on TCE proposed rule, EPA-HQ-OPPT-2016-0163

Aaron, with apologies for the delay and for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

The comment period is still open on two of the three proposed section 6 rules. We'll be reviewing comments and determining next steps.

Regards, R.

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On May 4, 2017, at 12:59 PM, Kessler, Aaron <Aaron.Kessler@turner.com> wrote:

> Sure, if it helps what's prompted us to look at TCE is we didn't know what's going to actually happen with it now under the new administration?
> Since EPA under the Obama admin proposed a large-scale ban of TCE as one of the last proposed rules in Jan before leaving office, we're trying to find out if the new EPA leadership and WH plan to continue finalizing that ban? Or if the ban is being reconsidered given the new leadership's views.
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> Aaron
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> **From:** Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
> **Sent:** Thursday, May 4, 2017 11:34 AM
> **To:** Kessler, Aaron <Aaron.Kessler@turner.com>
> **Subject:** RE: Subject: An inquiry on TCE proposed rule, EPA-HQ-OPPT-2016-0163
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> Good morning Aaron,
>
> Just so we can get you the best possible information: Can you tell us a bit more about the focus of your story? I understand you're working on TCE and several other chemicals, but did a specific event, trend, concern, or a series of the same, prompt your inquiry?
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> Thanks, R.
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> **From:** Kessler, Aaron [mailto:Aaron.Kessler@turner.com]
> **Sent:** Wednesday, May 03, 2017 4:52 PM

To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Subject: An inquiry on TCE proposed rule, EPA-HQ-OPPT-2016-0163

Robert,

So for the other three chemicals, the initial questions are really:

1) <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Where do things currently stand in the process for possibly moving to regulate the chemical under the Safe Drinking Water Act?
2) <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->What steps remain to be completed before adding the chemical to the list of regulated SDWA substances?
3) <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->When does the agency anticipate the chemical will be added to the regulated list?
4) <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Does the agency plan to put plans for regulating the chemical on hold? Or so, for how long.

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, May 3, 2017 12:28 PM
To: Kessler, Aaron <Aaron.Kessler@turner.com>
Subject: RE: Subject: An inquiry on TCE proposed rule, EPA-HQ-OPPT-2016-0163

Thanks, Aaron.

So, I just connected with the water program. It's likely we'll be sending you a written response. Can you send specific questions?

Regards, R.

From: Kessler, Aaron [mailto:Aaron.Kessler@turner.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 03, 2017 12:25 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Subject: An inquiry on TCE proposed rule, EPA-HQ-OPPT-2016-0163

Robert,

Ah, I see – thanks for letting me know, and in that case if you could indeed connect me with them that would be great. Meanwhile if you're able to continue yourself to get us an answer on TCE that would be much appreciated.

At this point we're still looking at a Friday deadline. I can go back to the boss here and see if we can get more time if need be, but at least on TCE to get that wrapped by Friday is what I'm being asked to do.

Aaron

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, May 3, 2017 11:41 AM
To: Kessler, Aaron <Aaron.Kessler@turner.com>
Subject: RE: Subject: An inquiry on TCE proposed rule, EPA-HQ-OPPT-2016-0163

Thanks, Aaron,

I'm on it. Your new questions are for a different program office. Let me connect with them.

Again, what's your firm deadline?

Regards, R.

From: Kessler, Aaron [mailto:Aaron.Kessler@turner.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 03, 2017 11:10 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Subject: An inquiry on TCE proposed rule, EPA-HQ-OPPT-2016-0163

Robert,

As you might imagine, it's always better to actually talk about these things than just get a statement. But should I understand that it sounds like a statement it what the agency will be offering on TCE in this case?

If that is true, then it's probably a good idea for me to ask you about three other chemicals as well – though again, I'm more than happy to talk about them on background first, if that would be helpful. They are:

-PFOS/PFOA
-Chromium 6
-Perchlorate

Since all of the above chemicals have been in some stage of moving towards possible regulation under the SDWA, we'd like to also find out where each of those stands as well?

Much thanks,
Aaron

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, May 3, 2017 7:33 AM
To: Kessler, Aaron <Aaron.Kessler@turner.com>
Subject: RE: Subject: An inquiry on TCE proposed rule, EPA-HQ-OPPT-2016-0163

Good morning Aaron,

Welcome back. We're still working on a response. I think we're good, unless you have additional questions? Please advise.

From: Kessler, Aaron [mailto:Aaron.Kessler@turner.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 02, 2017 2:42 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Subject: An inquiry on TCE proposed rule, EPA-HQ-OPPT-2016-0163

Robert,

I'm back from California and wanted to circle back... Do you have a few mins to jump on the phone this afternoon?

Aaron

From: Kessler, Aaron
Sent: Thursday, April 27, 2017 6:41 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Subject: An inquiry on TCE proposed rule, EPA-HQ-OPPT-2016-0163

Robert,

Thanks for the response, and it's good to hear back from you. I've been traveling all day out to the west coast, so my apologies for the delayed response.

Would greatly appreciate your help, and since I'll be out here in California for the next few days why don't we set up a good time to talk on Monday, if that works for you...? The deadline for this isn't until the end of next week, so talking on Mon should be just fine - and we can also trade emails as well between now and then, if that's helpful.

At the moment we're doing a story on both TCE as well as several other chemicals, though the TCE status was the one that remained most unclear to us. So if you can help illuminate where it all stands with TCE and where the agency is likely to take it from here, that would be most helpful. I'm happy to talk to you about the handful of other chemicals as well.

Thanks again,
Aaron

From: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, April 27, 2017 10:35:21 AM
To: Kessler, Aaron
Subject: Subject: An inquiry on TCE proposed rule, EPA-HQ-OPPT-2016-0163

Good morning Aaron, and thanks for reaching out. Tony and her colleagues forwarded me your inquiry. We are happy to help. What is your firm deadline, please?

Also, are you preparing a story specifically on TCE, or do you have a bigger focus?

Thank you in advance, R.

From: Kessler, Aaron [mailto:Aaron.Kessler@turner.com]
Sent: Tuesday, April 25, 2017 2:28 PM
To: Krasnic, Toni <krasnic.toni@epa.gov>
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Toni,

I saw that you may be the best contact for the proposed rule on TCE, and was hoping you could tell me where things currently stand with it?

We saw that the public comment period was closed about a month ago, but I'm trying to get a sense of where the process is at the moment, and the expected timeline for when the next may take place by the agency.

Much thanks,

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Message

From: Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/23/2017 5:54:33 PM
To: Lynn, Tricia [lynn.tricia@epa.gov]; Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: National Geographic (Budget questions)

Good

From: Lynn, Tricia
Sent: Thursday, March 23, 2017 1:50 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: National Geographic (Budget questions)

GTG?

Deadline: 3/22
Outlet: National Geographic Explorer
Reporter: Lindsay Dittman
Lindsay.Dittman@natgeo.com

Reporter is requesting an interview regarding budget cuts for National Geographic Explorer.

Reporter Question:

We're doing a story about the proposed budget cuts to the EPA and would love to speak to you today if you've got a moment.

EPA Response:

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Best,

Tricia

EPA Response:

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Deegan, Dave
Sent: Thursday, March 23, 2017 8:41 AM
To: Lindsay.Dittman@natgeo.com; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Cc: Deegan, Dave <Deegan.Dave@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: National Geographic (Budget questions)

Hi Lindsay,

My colleague Sharon Wells forwarded your email to me. In turn, I'm passing this along to my colleagues in EPA's HQ press office, since they have more information on the budget than we have in our office.

Thanks and Best Regards,
Dave

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Lindsay Dittman <Lindsay.Dittman@natgeo.com>
Date: March 22, 2017 at 11:55:58 AM EDT
To: "wells.sharon@epa.gov" <wells.sharon@epa.gov>
Subject: National Geographic / Sharon Wells

Hi,

Hope all is well! My name is Lindsay Dittman and I'm a researcher for National Geographic. I'm currently working on a show called Explorer, one of the longest-running documentary series on cable. Explorer takes viewers around the world, opening a window into hidden parts of the world, unlocking mysteries both ancient and modern, and investigating stories of science, nature, and culture.

We're doing a story about the proposed budget cuts to the EPA and would love to speak to you today if you've got a moment. Thanks!

Best,
Lindsay

Message

From: Lynn, Tricia [lynn.tricia@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/23/2017 5:40:44 PM
To: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Media inquiry

I'm checking

From: Chilson, Morgan [mailto:morgan.rothenberger@cjonline.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 23, 2017 9:56 AM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Media inquiry

I still need the data on what Energy Star programs are used in Kansas, and the annual expenditure of funds in Kansas for 10 years.

Thanks.

From: Lynn, Tricia [mailto:lynn.tricia@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, March 23, 2017 8:52 AM
To: Chilson, Morgan
Subject: Re: Media inquiry

Morgan—

See below for EPA's response to your inquiry.

Best,

Tricia

EPA Response:

The budget blueprint reflects the President's priorities of preserving clean air and water as well as to ease the burden of costly regulations to industry. Administrator Pruitt is committed to leading the EPA in a more effective, more focused, less costly way as we partner with states to fulfill the agency's core mission

- For attribution to Julia Valentine, an EPA spokesperson

From: "Chilson, Morgan" <morgan.rothenberger@cjonline.com>
Date: March 21, 2017 at 3:27:31 PM EDT
To: "media@energystar.gov" <media@energystar.gov>
Subject: Media inquiry

Good afternoon:

I'm working on a story about potential cuts under the Trump budget proposal. I understand the Energy Star program may be cut. I'd like to narrow in on what Energy Star programs are utilized in Kansas, how such cuts would impact the state and also would like to see an annual expenditure of funds in Kansas through the past 10 years.

I'd also love to interview someone about Energy Star, its focus as a program, its accomplishments and tie in any Kansas numbers possible.

Thank you!
Morgan

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U.S. EPA
Office: 202.564.2615

Message

From: Morgan Smith [msmith@texastribune.org]
Sent: 3/23/2017 5:03:50 PM
To: Press [Press@epa.gov]
CC: Lynn, Tricia [lynn.tricia@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Pesticide Approval/Registry

Hi there,

Checking back in on this. Please let me know when I can expect a response.

Thanks!

Morgan

On Mon, Mar 20, 2017 at 11:08 AM, Press <Press@epa.gov> wrote:

> Hi Morgan,
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> Tricia Lynn or I will get back to you on this.
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> Thanks.
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> Julia P. Valentine
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> Assoc. Dir./Acting Dir.
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> 202.564.2663 direct
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> **From:** Milbourn, Cathy
> **Sent:** Monday, March 20, 2017 12:07 PM
> **To:** Morgan Smith <msmith@texastribune.org>
> **Cc:** Press <Press@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** RE: Pesticide Approval/Registry
>
> Hi Morgan,

Robert is out of the office—I've copied press@epa.gov to help facilitate your inquiry.

Cathy

From: Morgan Smith [mailto:msmith@texastribune.org]
Sent: Monday, March 20, 2017 12:01 PM
To: Milbourn, Cathy <Milbourn.Cathy@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Pesticide Approval/Registry

Hi Cathy,

Got a bounce back when I sent this message to Robert. Could you help clarify?

Thanks!

Morgan

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: **Morgan Smith** <msmith@texastribune.org>
Date: Mon, Mar 20, 2017 at 10:56 AM
Subject: Re: Pesticide Approval/Registry
To: "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>

Hi Robert,

I had a quick follow up question to this response:

> **2) I'd like to know whether, if the EPA approves a pesticide for use, do states have the authority to reject registration of the pesticide if a company applies for it?**

Yes, a State can refuse the sale, distribution and use of any pesticide product.

On what grounds can a state refuse the sale/distribution/use of a pesticide product?

Thanks!

On Thu, Mar 16, 2017 at 1:20 PM, Morgan Smith <msmith@texastribune.org> wrote:

Thank you!

On Thu, Mar 16, 2017 at 1:17 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Dear Morgan, for attribution to U.S. EPA, or to "an agency spokesperson," please:

I'm trying to understand how pesticide approval/registry works at the federal and state levels.

1) My understanding is that once a company receives EPA approval for a pesticide, they must register that pesticide in the states they want to operate. (Please correct me if I'm wrong.)

Yes, this is correct. Once a company is granted an EPA registration, the company must also receive registration from the State in which the company wishes to sell and distribute the product.

2) I'd like to know whether, if the EPA approves a pesticide for use, do states have the authority to reject registration of the pesticide if a company applies for it?

Yes, a State can refuse the sale, distribution and use of any pesticide product.

3) And if states wish to enact additional restrictions for use, does that happen during the registration process or separately?

States can impose additional use restrictions on a pesticide product beyond the federal restrictions; however, the State cannot allow less restrictions or restrictions contrary to those imposed by the federal registration. Whether and when additional state restrictions are placed on a registration would be dictated by state laws or regulations.

From: Morgan Smith [mailto:msmith@texastribune.org]
Sent: Wednesday, March 15, 2017 12:12 PM
To: Milbourn, Cathy <Milbourn.Cathy@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Pesticide Approval/Registry

Hi Cathy,

I still haven't heard from anyone on this -- let me know when I may expect a response if you can.

Thanks!

Morgan

On Tue, Mar 14, 2017 at 1:53 PM, Milbourn, Cathy <Milbourn.Cathy@epa.gov> wrote:

H Morgan,

Someone will get back to you shortly.

Cathy

From: Morgan Smith <msmith@texastribune.org>
Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 2:43 PM
To: Milbourn, Cathy
Subject: Pesticide Approval/Registry

Hi Cathy,

I'm trying to understand how pesticide approval/registry works at the federal and state levels.

My understanding is that once a company receives EPA approval for a pesticide, they must register that pesticide in the states they want to operate. (Please correct me if I'm wrong.)

I'd like to know whether, if the EPA approves a pesticide for use, do states have the authority to reject registration of the pesticide if a company applies for it?

And if states wish to enact additional restrictions for use, does that happen during the registration process or separately?

Please let me know if you're able to help.

Thanks!

Morgan

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Message

From: Lynn, Tricia [lynn.tricia@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/23/2017 1:52:11 PM
To: morgan.rothenberger@cjonline.com
Subject: Re: Media inquiry

Morgan—

See below for EPA's response to your inquiry.

Best,

Tricia

EPA Response:

The budget blueprint reflects the President's priorities of preserving clean air and water as well as to ease the burden of costly regulations to industry. Administrator Pruitt is committed to leading the EPA in a more effective, more focused, less costly way as we partner with states to fulfill the agency's core mission

- For attribution to Julia Valentine, an EPA spokesperson

From: "Chilson, Morgan" <morgan.rothenberger@cjonline.com>
Date: March 21, 2017 at 3:27:31 PM EDT
To: "media@energystar.gov" <media@energystar.gov>
Subject: Media inquiry

Good afternoon:

I'm working on a story about potential cuts under the Trump budget proposal. I understand the Energy Star program may be cut. I'd like to narrow in on what Energy Star programs are utilized in Kansas, how such cuts would impact the state and also would like to see an annual expenditure of funds in Kansas through the past 10 years.

I'd also love to interview someone about Energy Star, its focus as a program, its accomplishments and tie in any Kansas numbers possible.

Thank you!
Morgan

Morgan Chilson
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Tricia Lynn

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U.S. EPA
Office: 202.564.2615

Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 5/9/2017 7:31:51 PM
To: Charlie Passut [charlie.passut@naturalgasintel.com]; Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: seeking comment/clarification for news story

Hullo Charlie,

For attribution to Mr. Freire as "EPA spokesman," please:

"Advisory panels like BOSC play a critical role reviewing the agency's work. EPA received hundreds of nominations to serve on the board, and we want to ensure fair consideration of all the nominees – including those nominated who may have previously served on the panel – and carry out a competitive nomination process."

Regards, R.

Robert Daguillard
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Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) (M)

-----Original Message-----
From: Charlie Passut [mailto:charlie.passut@naturalgasintel.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 09, 2017 3:17 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Cc: Charlie Passut <charlie.passut@naturalgasintel.com>
Subject: seeking comment/clarification for news story

Hi Mr. Freire,

My name is Charlie Passut, and I am a reporter with Shale Daily/Natural Gas Intelligence. We are an industry publication based in Sterling, Va.

I am currently working on a story about changes at the EPA.
Specifically, I have seen several media reports that the EPA has decided to replace several members of its Board of Scientific Counselors (BOSC).

Would you be able to comment on what is happening there? I have seen one report that quoted you as saying that "no one has been fired or terminated," and that new advisers were being brought in. Another report that said the people who will be leaving were near the end of a three-year term. Are those statements correct?

How many people are on BOSC? When will the new board members join? When will the former (or soon to be former) members be leaving?

Thank you for any clarification or commentary you are able to provide.

Sincerely,
Charlie Passut
Associate Editor
Shale Daily/Natural Gas Intelligence
(703) 318-8848

Message

From: Jenni Doering [jdoering@loe.org]
Sent: 5/9/2017 4:42:00 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]; Bowman, Liz [Bowman.Liz@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: On Deadline: 11 a.m. E.T. Wed., PRI's Living on Earth inquiry on Board of Scientific Counselors

Thank you, Robert.
Jenni

Jenni Doering
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On Tue, May 9, 2017 at 12:41 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Dear Jenni, for attribution to J.P. Freire, EPA spokesman, please:

"Advisory panels like BOSC play a critical role reviewing the agency's work. EPA received hundreds of nominations to serve on the board, and we want to ensure fair consideration of all the nominees – including those nominated who may have previously served on the panel – and carry out a competitive nomination process."

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From: Jenni Doering [mailto:jdoering@loe.org]
Sent: Tuesday, May 09, 2017 12:38 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>; Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>
Subject: On Deadline: 11 a.m. E.T. Wed., PRI's Living on Earth inquiry on Board of Scientific Counselors

Dear Liz Bowman & EPA Press Office:

Jenni Doering here from PRI's *Living on Earth* radio program. We are doing a story this week about the dismissals of nine scientists from EPA's Board of Scientific Counselors, and I am emailing to ask if EPA would like to provide a statement about the dismissal. I would also appreciate if you could provide a list of the names and titles of the board members who were dismissed, as well as the four whose second terms expired and the five who remain. In addition, could you please give me a rough timeline for when EPA expects to have replaced the departing board members?

Thank you,

Jenni Doering

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 5/9/2017 4:22:49 PM
To: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: InsideClimate News/ BOSC

FYI

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Tuesday, May 09, 2017 12:21 PM
To: 'georgina.gustin@insideclimatenews.com' <georgina.gustin@insideclimatenews.com>
Subject: FW: InsideClimate News/ BOSC

Georgina, for attribution to J.P. Freire, EPA spokesman, please:

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From: Georgina Gustin [mailto:georgina.gustin@insideclimatenews.org]
Sent: Monday, May 08, 2017 2:07 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>; Tracy, Tom <Tracy.Tom@epa.gov>
Subject:

Hello,

I'm following up on my earlier request, and cc'ing Tom Tracey, the DFO for the agency's Board of Scientific Counselors.

Has any of the following happened, prior to May 5, when the BOSC members were told they had been dismissed?

Has the DFO conducted outreach for new members? Have new names been publicly solicited? (Is there an established timeline?)

Thanks for your help,
Best,

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Georgina Gustin

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Message

From: Shah, Surabhi [Shah.Surabhi@epa.gov]
Sent: 5/9/2017 12:41:02 AM
To: Katie Koziara [KKoziara@ourpublicservice.org]
CC: Orquina, Jessica [Orquina.Jessica@epa.gov]; Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]; Thomas, Latosha [Thomas.Latosha@epa.gov]; Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: PSRW / Sammies twitter chat next week

Hi Katie,

I apologize for the late notice. We were not able to gain appropriate approvals for the Twitter chat.

We appreciate you thinking of us!

Sent from my iPhone

On May 5, 2017, at 11:43 AM, Katie Koziara <KKoziara@ourpublicservice.org> wrote:

> That's great news! Looking forward to getting the info from you, Jessica. Thanks for coordinating!
>
> We'd love to have you join in Friday as well – feel free to submit your responses to the questions that day too. I'll send them along once I have the Twitter handles ☺
>
> Best,
> Katie
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> ---
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> **From:** Shah, Surabhi [mailto:Shah.Surabhi@epa.gov]
> **Sent:** Friday, May 5, 2017 10:52 AM
> **To:** Katie Koziara <KKoziara@ourpublicservice.org>
> **Cc:** Orquina, Jessica <Orquina.Jessica@epa.gov>; Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>; Thomas, Latosha <Thomas.Latosha@epa.gov>; Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** PSRW / Sammies twitter chat next week
>
> Hi Katie,
>
> Thank you for thinking of us!
>
> Jessica Orquina at EPA will confirm and provide the appropriate twitter handle.
> Thanks to Jessica for helping along the approvals process!
>
> Question: Meanwhile, when do you need confirmation from us?
>
> Note if you've still got a need for a panelist for Friday, we'd be happy to do that instead. Attaching schedule for our EPA team.

TWITTER CHATS

May 8-12 from 2-3 p.m. ET each day
Follow along using **#PSRWChat**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
How does your agency celebrate PSRW?	Why do Sammies finalists serve?	How do you start a career in public service?	How can you thank public servants?	Why are you a public servant?

Sent from my iPhone

On May 4, 2017, at 3:31 PM, Orquina, Jessica <Orquina.Jessica@epa.gov> wrote:

> I am working on getting this approved. I have not gotten an answer yet.
>
> Jess
>
> Jessica Ann Orquina
> Associate Director
> Office of Web Communications
> U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Email: orquina.jessica@epa.gov
Office: 202-564-0446
Mobile: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

From: Shah, Surabhi
Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2017 3:23 PM
To: Orquina, Jessica <Orquina.Jessica@epa.gov>
Cc: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>; Thomas, Latosha <Thomas.Latosha@epa.gov>; Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Embargoed Sammies Finalists News Release

Hi Jessica,

Below, PPS is offering us the opportunity to be featured in this twitter chat on Tuesday. Seems like a great opportunity and a positive story for the agency.

Are we interested? If so, they need the handle we plan to use.

If we're not interested, we need to let them know asap to give someone else the opportunity.

Your thoughts?

Thank you so much for your engagement on this!

Best,
Surabhi

Sent from my iPhone

On May 4, 2017, at 2:50 PM, Katie Koziara <KKoziara@ourpublicservice.org> wrote:

> Good afternoon:
>
> Congratulations again on being a Sammies finalist! I am getting back in touch to share an early look at our embargoed news release announcing the finalists, please note attached. We encourage your communications office to put out a press release/statement about your selection as a finalist and share the news internally and through social media channels too after the embargo lifts Sunday night. Our hashtag for Sammies is #Sammies2017 and our handle is @rpublicservice.
>
> Additionally, we're hosting a Twitter chat on Tuesday, May 9 at 2 p.m. entitled "Why do Sammies finalists serve?" Questions include the following:
>
> - <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Why did you join public service?
> - <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->What motivated you to pursue the accomplishment that earned you a Sammies nomination?
> - <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->How does recognition make a difference for federal employees?

Let me know if you're interested in joining and I can add you as a featured panelist. We look forward to sharing Sammies finalists' work with Federal News Radio, GovLoop, Government Matters TV and other media outlets throughout the summer!

Again, congratulations on your selection as a finalist, and I look forward to meeting you on Tuesday.

Best,
Katie

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<2017 Sammies finalists news release Embargoed.pdf>

Message

From: timothy.gardner@thomsonreuters.com [timothy.gardner@thomsonreuters.com]
Sent: 2/21/2017 2:50:47 PM
To: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: Pruitt speech for embargo?

Hi There,
I am going to the Pruitt speech today, any chance of an embargoed copy of speech?
Thanks, Tim

From: US EPA Media Relations [mailto:noreply-subscriptions@epa.gov]
Sent: Saturday, February 18, 2017 10:45 AM
To: Gardner, Timothy (Reuters News)
Subject: MORE…What they are saying about Administrator Pruitt

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

February 18, 2017

MORE…What they are saying about Administrator Pruitt

WASHINGTON-Positive comments keep rolling in for new EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt. Read the latest:

Jay Vroom, President and CEO of CropLife America
"EPA needs an effective leader, un-swayed by the whims of unscientific fear campaigns. Through his service to the great state of Oklahoma, Administrator Pruitt has shown that he carefully listens to the needs of agriculture and other constituents and works to get policy outcomes that adhere to science and law. We are eager to share our priority issues with the new leadership at EPA, including the need for rigor in examining studies used in human health risk assessments. After Sonny Perdue is confirmed as Secretary of Agriculture, we can all focus on getting farmers the finest technology that science can bring."

Jim Matheson, CEO, National Rural Electric Cooperative Association
"We congratulate Scott Pruitt on his confirmation and look forward to working with him on proposals that protect our environment and promote a healthy economy. EPA regulations have an enormous impact on electric co-ops and small businesses throughout rural America. We hope the agency will work with us to review these impacts and ensure that future regulations allow cooperatives the freedom and flexibility to continue providing safe, affordable, and reliable power to families and businesses across the nation."

U.S. Representative Lamar Smith (TX)
"I congratulate Administrator Scott Pruitt on his confirmation to take the helm of the Environmental Protection Agency. Mr. Pruitt will be a tremendous leader in bringing together states, industry, and stakeholders to help decide what measures and rules work best for them. Mr. Pruitt will be an invaluable asset in resetting the agenda on environmental improvement as we move forward. I look forward to working with the Trump administration and Administrator Pruitt in bringing our

country out of an era of red tape and into a more transparent age based on sound science."

Chet Thompson, President and CEO, American Fuel & Petrochemical Manufacturers
"We congratulate Administrator Pruitt on his confirmation as the next Administrator of EPA. His experience and leadership skills will be an asset to EPA and the country. We are confident that Administrator Pruitt understands that environmental protection, economic growth, and energy security are not mutually exclusive, but rather require reasonable balancing. Under his leadership, we can realize the President's America First Energy Plan, which embraces our country's potential to be an energy superpower while simultaneously protecting the environment."

Tom Kuhn, President, Edison Electric Institute
"EEI congratulates EPA Administrator Pruitt on his confirmation, and we look forward to engaging with him on environmental policy issues important to our industry. EEI's member companies are committed to a healthy environment and to a clean and affordable energy future. Today, EEI's member companies are making significant investments in diverse energy resources, including clean coal, natural gas, nuclear, solar, wind, and energy efficiency. We will continue to advocate for policies that maintain a diverse and balanced energy mix, which is critical to the reliable, affordable electricity our customers expect."

Ryan Quarles, Kentucky Commissioner of Agriculture
"I want to congratulate Attorney General Scott Pruitt on his confirmation by the U.S Senate today as the new Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency. Administrator Pruitt is a native Kentuckian who we hope will lead the EPA in the right direction working to restore transparency and cooperative federalism among state governments and the farming communities they represent. I look forward to working with the Administrator on policies that will both protect our environment and strengthen our nation's farm economy."

Ronnie Lee, Chairman, National Cotton Council
"I look forward to the day very soon that farmers can spend more time producing crops and less time worrying about how to comply with onerous, overly burdensome regulations and doing paperwork. The cotton industry looks forward to working with Administrator Pruitt as he leads EPA in a way to help ensure a safe and healthy environment alongside a strong and viable agricultural sector."

Energy and Commerce Committee Chairman Greg Walden (R-OR) and Environment Subcommittee Chairman John Shimkus (R-IL)
"We'd first like to congratulate Mr. Pruitt on his appointment to head the EPA. Administrator Pruitt understands the challenges states may face in implementing complex federal environmental requirements, and the importance of cooperation between states and the EPA in carrying out our nation's environmental laws. We look forward to working with him as we consider potential legislation to modernize our environmental laws in order to protect public health and our environment while also ensuring we have a strong and thriving economy."

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Message

From: Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]
Sent: 2/16/2017 2:51:48 PM
To: AO OPA Media Relations [AO_OPA_Media_Relations@epa.gov]
Subject: OMR: Timing change for event

Hi all,

Since the confirmation vote may not happen til later than originally thought, the media event is moving to Tuesday. We're expecting the time to be noon.

We are meeting again with the team today to try to finalize timing and other needs. Will let you know as soon as I have more.

Thanks!

Julia P. Valentine
Assoc. Dir./Acting Dir.
U.S. EPA, Ofc of Media Relations
202.564.2663 direct
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Message

From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: 6/21/2017 4:38:14 PM
To: David Heldreth Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
CC: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]; StClair, Christie [StClair.Christie@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Topic: EPA/Washington State Special Local Need Fertilizer/Pesticides for Cannabis Approvals

Christie St. Clair, copied here, will be in touch with our response on Friday. I'm out that day.

Thanks for working with us on this, David.

Enesta Jones
U.S. EPA
Office of Media Relations
Office: 202.564.7873
Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

"The root of all joy is gratefulness."

On Jun 21, 2017, at 12:34 PM, David Heldreth <Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)> wrote:

> We can make it work. Thanks for the notice. Have a good day,
>
> David Heldreth
>
> Sent from my iPhone
>
> On Jun 21, 2017, at 8:58 AM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:
>
> > Hi David, we'll need to get back to you on Friday with our responses. Hope that is ok.
> >
> > **Enesta Jones**
> > **U.S. EPA**
> > **Office of Media Relations**
> > **Office: 202.564.7873**
> > **Cell:** Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
> >
> > **"The root of all joy is gratefulness."**
> >
> > On Jun 19, 2017, at 2:33 PM, David Heldreth <Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)> wrote:

We are trying to send to print over the weekend, and my deadline is Friday morning, so ideally just before Thursday afternoon would work for us. Thanks so much for your help,

David Heldreth
The Cannabiz Journal
805-207-2964

On Mon, Jun 19, 2017 at 11:29 AM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi David, what's your deadline?

Enesta Jones

U.S. EPA

Office of Media Relations

Office: 202.564.7873

Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

"The root of all joy is gratefulness."

From: David Heldreth [mailto Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Monday, June 19, 2017 2:28 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Topic: EPA/Washington State Special Local Need Fertilizer/Pesticides for Cannabis Approvals

Hi, I'm attempting to follow up and see what the status of these applications was?

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Why would the EPA deny the applications?

Has there been any submitted feedback from people about the applications?

Has the applicant submitted any further applications for SLN for cannabis in other states beyond the first 3?

Thanks for your help,

David Heldreth

The Cannabiz Journal

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Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 19, 2017, at 4:51 AM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

> Dear Mr. Heldreth, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:
>
> **1. What is EPA's view on hemp and cannabis as agricultural industry?**

EPA is responsible for regulating pesticides. If you have questions about agriculture, you may wish to consult the US Department of Agriculture.

2. Did OPP receive WSDA's attached letters on April 4, 2017?

Yes, we have received the letters from WSDA electronically.

3. What is EPA's timing on the review/approval process?

Under §24(c) of FIFRA, states may register an additional use of a federally registered pesticide product, or a new end use product to meet special local needs. EPA reviews these registrations, and may within 90 days, disapprove the state registration. If EPA does not object within 90 days, the registration remains a federal registration. https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/guidance-fifra-24c-registrations

Additional information on this issue can be found online at: https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/pesticide-use-marijuana and https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2016-01/documents/epa_letter_to_cda_5-19-15_slns_for_marijuana.pdf.

4. Have other states submitted similar SLN letters to EPA? Which states?

On April 4, 2017, Vermont and Washington each issued four 24(c) registrations for use on cannabis. The Nevada Department of Agriculture also issued four 24(c) registrations for use on cannabis on April 5, 2017.

Warm regards, R.

Robert Daguillard

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Message

From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: 6/21/2017 4:36:44 PM
To: Strauss, Linda [Strauss.Linda@epa.gov]
CC: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; StClair, Christie [StClair.Christie@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: LINDA ACTION: The Cannabiz Journal re: EPA/Washington State Special Local Need Fertilizer/Pesticides for Cannabis Approvals

Linda, the reporter is fine with Friday. Christie will be the OMR go-to on this since I'm out. I will loop her with the reporter now.

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On Jun 21, 2017, at 12:05 PM, Strauss, Linda <Strauss.Linda@epa.gov> wrote:

> Thanks
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> Sent from my iPhone
>
> On Jun 21, 2017, at 11:57 AM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:
>
> > Makes sense. Sure. Thanks!
>
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>
> **"The root of all joy is gratefulness."**
>
> On Jun 21, 2017, at 11:56 AM, Strauss, Linda <Strauss.Linda@epa.gov> wrote:
>
> > Enesta, these decisions will be made by the Administrator this Friday. Can we wait to answer them after that, on Friday? We

have answers to them but it's been hard not to "give away" the decision. We'll have a desk statement.

Just let me know.

Linda

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Monday, June 19, 2017 2:44 PM
To: Strauss, Linda <Strauss.Linda@epa.gov>
Cc: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: LINDA ACTION: The Cannabiz Journal re: EPA/Washington State Special Local Need Fertilizer/Pesticides for Cannabis Approvals

Reporter: David Heldreth
DDL: 6/22

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Sent: 6/19/2017 6:33:36 PM
To: David Heldreth [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
Subject: Re: Topic: EPA/Washington State Special Local Need Fertilizer/Pesticides for Cannabis Approvals

Got it, thanks.

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Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

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On Jun 19, 2017, at 2:33 PM, David Heldreth <Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)> wrote:

> We are trying to send to print over the weekend, and my deadline is Friday morning, so ideally just before Thursday afternoon would work for us. Thanks so much for your help,
>
> David Heldreth
> The Cannabiz Journal
> 805-207-2964
>
> On Mon, Jun 19, 2017 at 11:29 AM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:
>
> > Hi David, what's your deadline?
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Hi, I'm attempting to follow up and see what the status of these applications was?

Have they been approved for any of the 3 states?

The final day for the EPA to give a decision is July 4/5 due to different submission dates, correct?

How will that decision be announced?

Why would the EPA deny the applications?

Has there been any submitted feedback from people about the applications?

Has the applicant submitted any further applications for SLN for cannabis in other states beyond the first 3?

Thanks for your help,

David Heldreth

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805-207-2964

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 19, 2017, at 4:51 AM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Dear Mr. Heldreth, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

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Warm regards, R.

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Sent: 6/5/2017 2:13:42 AM
To: Kevin Bogardus [kbogardus@eenews.net]
Subject: Re: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named First Time Fellow from Government

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> **Sent:** Sunday, June 04, 2017 12:45 PM
> **To:** Kevin Bogardus
> **Cc:** Jones, Enesta
> **Subject:** Re: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named First Time Fellow from Government
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Based on the high points below, please send over some specific questions you'll have of Al -- in advance of the interview. Thanks!

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Subject: Fwd: FOR REVIEW: Response to Honolulu Star-Adviser - Proposed FY Budget and possible impacts on R9 and Hawaii

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Resent-From: <Press@epa.gov>
From: "Graham, Amy" <graham.amy@epa.gov>
Date: May 26, 2017 at 12:27:36 PM EDT
To: "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>, Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: FOR REVIEW: Response to Honolulu Star-Adviser - Proposed FY Budget and possible impacts on R9 and Hawaii

Same fort this one:

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 7:53 AM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
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Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 6:38 AM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Reporter's questions on Trump's proposed budget for EPA and possible impacts to Hawaii

From region 9 for hq press @ epa to handle

Thanks ng

Nancy Grantham
Office of Public Affairs
US Environmental Protection Agency
202-564-6879 (desk)
Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) **(mobile)**

From: regionalpress
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 6:37 AM
To: Higuchi, Dean <Higuchi.Dean@epa.gov>; regionalpress <regionalpress@epa.gov>
Cc: Zito, Kelly <ZITO.KELLY@EPA.GOV>; Glenn, William <Glenn.William@epa.gov>
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Subject: Reporter's questions on Trump's proposed budget for EPA and possible impacts to Hawaii

Please see the the reporters question highlightled in yellow.

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From: Sophie Cocke [mailto:SCocke@staradvertiser.com]
Sent: Thursday, May 25, 2017 12:52 PM
To: Higuchi, Dean <Higuchi.Dean@epa.gov>
Subject: Trump's proposed budget

Hi Dean,

I received a breakdown of specific cuts in Trump's proposed FY18 budget from Rep. Colleen Hanabusa's office today. The proposed cuts to the EPA are particularly significant amounting to a 30 percent cut in the agency's budget. (As i'm sure you are aware of.)

Under the budget, 46 of the agency's programs, including all of its geographic programs, would be eliminated, according to the analysis that was done with the assistance of the Appropriations Committee and Center for American Progress. The workforce would be reduced by 3,784 employees, enforcement funds would be cut by 23 percent and state grants cut by 44 percent.

The numbers don't get too specific, however, when it comes to Hawaii or Region 9. Do you have a breakdown on how the proposed budget would specifically effect Hawaii - such as how many jobs would be lost and what programs would be eliminated or reduced?

Many thanks, Sophie

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Good day, George,

Circling back on this, to see if you've made a final decision. Please let me know at your earliest convenience.

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To: "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>, George Jackson <georgejackson@sbgtv.com>
Subject: RE: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named a Fellow

Hi Enesta! Great to hear from you. Hope all is well.

My colleague George Jackson (copied here) handles all of the pitches for GovMatters, and will review this.

Thanks for connecting!

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Message

From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: 6/1/2017 3:20:40 PM
To: Kevin Bogardus [kbogardus@eenews.net]
Subject: Re: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named First Time Fellow from Government

All set, talk then. Thanks!

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On Jun 1, 2017, at 10:50 AM, Kevin Bogardus <kbogardus@eenews.net> wrote:

All right, 11:30 am Monday it is. Talk to you then!

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From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 10:42 AM
To: Kevin Bogardus
Subject: Re: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named First Time Fellow from Government

11:30? He has a 10:30 meeting that may run over.

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Can we do 11 am?

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From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 10:38 AM
To: Kevin Bogardus
Subject: RE: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named First Time Fellow from Government

Any time between 7:30-8:30? Or after 11 a.m.?

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From: Kevin Bogardus [mailto:kbogardus@eenews.net]
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 10:36 AM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named First Time Fellow from Government

Can we do 10 am on Monday?

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From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 10:26 AM
To: Kevin Bogardus
Subject: RE: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named First Time Fellow from Government

Kevin,
We need to move it to Monday. What time works for you? Also, by then you'll have the pr so you can please send us specific questions in advance.

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From: Kevin Bogardus [mailto:kbogardus@eenews.net]
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 9:19 AM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named First Time Fellow from Government

Great. That works for me. Talk to you then!

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From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 9:16 AM

To: Kevin Bogardus
Subject: Re: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named First Time Fellow from Government

Hi Kevin,
We'll call you at 2:30 p.m.

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On May 31, 2017, at 5:24 PM, Kevin Bogardus <kbogardus@eenews.net> wrote:

> Any update on this, Enesta? Let me know. Thanks.
>
> Also, since I'm working from home tomorrow, please email me here or call my cell phone at Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
>
> Thanks again for your help. Talk to you later.
>
> -Kevin
>
> ---
>
> **From:** Kevin Bogardus
> **Sent:** Wednesday, May 31, 2017 10:53 AM
> **To:** 'Jones, Enesta' <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** RE: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named First Time Fellow from Government
>
> Thanks for the pitch, Enesta. Yeah, I'm interested in this. Give me a call at Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) Thanks again.
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> **To:** Kevin Bogardus <kbogardus@eenews.net>
> **Cc:** Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
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From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: 6/1/2017 11:48:16 AM
To: Kevin Bogardus [kbogardus@eenews.net]
Subject: Re: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named First Time Fellow from Government

Hey Kevin,

I can't share any advanced materials. Can we discuss the recognition, Al and what this means?

What time are you available?

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Message

From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: 5/31/2017 3:20:10 PM
To: Theresa Clift [tclift@tribweb.com]
Subject: Re: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named First Time Fellow from Government

Thanks, Theresa.

I'll be back in touch on the lead question.

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On May 31, 2017, at 11:19 AM, Theresa Clift <tclift@tribweb.com> wrote:

> Hi Enesta,
> I told my editor about this and he said we have to pass. We are a much smaller staff than we used to be, only about 9 reporters, and we have to be really picky these days.
>
> Thanks for helping me with the lead question.
>
> **Theresa Clift**
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> Pittsburgh Tribune-Review
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> Twitter: @tclift
>
> ---
>
> **From:** Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
> **Sent:** Wednesday, May 31, 2017 5:57 AM
> **To:** Theresa Clift
> **Cc:** Jones, Enesta
> **Subject:** PITCH: EPA Staffer Named First Time Fellow from Government
>
> Hi Theresa,
>
> Hope all is well.
>
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From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: 5/31/2017 10:21:36 AM
To: llegere@post-gazette.com; tmauriello@post-gazette.com; jdaly@post-gazette.com
CC: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: PITCH: EPA Staffer and Pittsburgh Native Named First Time Fellow from Government

Hi All,

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From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: 5/31/2017 10:03:19 AM
To: dhopey@post-gazette.com
CC: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named First Time Fellow from Government/ He is Pittsburgh Native

Hi Don,

Hope all is well.

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Message

From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: 5/31/2017 1:43:38 AM
To: tom.fox@washpost.com; fedcoach@ourpublicservice.org
Subject: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named First from Government for Fellow

Hi Tom,

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Message

From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: 5/30/2017 4:32:18 PM
To: White, Eric [ewhite@federalnewsradio.com]
CC: Temin, Tom [ttemin@federalnewsradio.com]; Larson, Lauren [llarson@federalnewsradio.com]
Subject: Re: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named A Fellow

Hi Eric,

I am wondering if we could possibly do a two-fer. Could we do the WIFIA and this one on Monday, both in the studio?

I'll need to check everyone's avail here.

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On May 30, 2017, at 12:27 PM, White, Eric <ewhite@federalnewsradio.com> wrote:

> Hey Enesta,
>
> We try to record all interviews during the morning hours between 8-11a.m. That being the case, could we do it Monday morning? Just let me know. Any time after 9:30 will work.
>
> Thanks!
> Eric
>
> ---
>
> **From:** Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
> **Sent:** Tuesday, May 30, 2017 11:51 AM
> **To:** Temin, Tom
> **Cc:** White, Eric; Larson, Lauren
> **Subject:** Re: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named A Fellow
>
> Thanks for your interest, Tom.
>
> Yes, we could him in the studio.
>
> Would Friday afternoon or Monday be options?
>
> **Enesta Jones**

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On May 30, 2017, at 11:50 AM, Temin, Tom <ttemin@federalnewsradio.com> wrote:

That would be a good interview. I would concentrate on the work he's done and what is the state of the art of environmental economics. Could we get him in studio for this?

Cc'ing Lauren and Eric to get it into the booking pipeline.

Thank you for the suggestion!

Tom

--
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From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 30, 2017 10:23 AM
To: Temin, Tom
Cc: Jones, Enesta
Subject: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named A Fellow

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From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: 5/30/2017 3:44:14 PM
To: Francis Rose [frose@sbgtv.com]
CC: George Jackson [georgejackson@sbgtv.com]
Subject: Re: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named a Fellow

Thanks very much, Francis.

I look forward to hearing from you, George. Reachable by email and cell.

Best,
Enesta

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On May 30, 2017, at 11:41 AM, Francis Rose <frose@sbgtv.com> wrote:

> Hi Enesta! Great to hear from you. Hope all is well.
>
> My colleague George Jackson (copied here) handles all of the pitches for GovMatters, and will review this.
>
> Thanks for connecting!
>
> Best
> Francis
>
> **From:** Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
> **Sent:** Tuesday, May 30, 2017 10:19 AM
> **To:** Francis Rose <frose@sbgtv.com>
> **Cc:** Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** PITCH: EPA Staffer Named a Fellow
>
> Hi Francis:
>
> Hope all is well. We haven't spoken in awhile. I have a story idea that I would like to pitch to you. It is under embargo until June 1.

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Sent: 5/30/2017 3:05:43 PM
To: tcama@thehill.com
CC: Enesta Jones [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named Fellow

Hi Tim,

Hope all is well.

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Are you interested in an interview, or at least writing about it on Thursday afternoon?

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Message

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Sent: 5/30/2017 3:04:03 PM
To: joe.davidson@washpost.com
CC: Enesta Jones [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: PITCH: EPA Staffer Named Fellow

Hi Joe,

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Message

From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: 4/18/2017 10:21:11 PM
To: Emily Dooley [Emily.Dooley@newsday.com]
Subject: Re: 1,4-dioxane

Hi Emily, that's not what I am saying. A written response, which we tried to put in lay as possible, may be the more efficient path here.

If you have any follow-up or need clarification, please let me know.

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On Apr 18, 2017, at 6:19 PM, Emily Dooley <Emily.Dooley@newsday.com> wrote:

> So EPA refuses to put a subject matter expert on the phone for my questions?
> Thanks, Emily
>
> **From:** Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
> **Sent:** Tuesday, April 18, 2017 5:48 PM
> **To:** Emily Dooley <Emily.Dooley@newsday.com>
> **Subject:** Re: 1,4-dioxane
>
> Yes. You understood it correctly. Thanks.
>
> **Enesta Jones**
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> On Apr 18, 2017, at 5:47 PM, Emily Dooley <Emily.Dooley@newsday.com> wrote:
>
> > Hi, Enesta,

The answer is yes to if I understood it correctly or if EPA will put a human on the line?
Thanks, Emily

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 5:37 PM
To: Emily Dooley <Emily.Dooley@newsday.com>
Subject: Re: 1,4-dioxane

Hi Emily, the answer is yes. If you need a name for attribution, please use Julia Valentine.

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On Apr 18, 2017, at 4:25 PM, Emily Dooley <Emily.Dooley@newsday.com> wrote:

> Hi, Enesta,
> Thanks.
>
> If I am reading this correctly and interpreting the EPA-ease, you are saying that it takes less exposure to 1,4-dioxane for there to be a cancer risk than for there to be damage to the liver or kidney?
> This is kind of an opaque response. Is it really the guidance EPA intends to put out to the taxpaying public? And is there a reason a name cannot be put to this?
> This is why it would be helpful to talk to a human being on the phone. Will EPA make someone available?
> Thanks, Emily
>
> ---
>
> **From:** Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
> **Sent:** Tuesday, April 18, 2017 11:12 AM
> **To:** Emily Dooley <Emily.Dooley@newsday.com>
> **Cc:** Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>; Kluesner, Dave <kluesner.dave@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** Re: 1,4-dioxane
>
> Hi Emily,
>
> For attribution to an EPA spokesperson:
>
> Research in animals has indicated that 1,4-dioxane can cause both adverse, noncarcinogenic effects as well as cancer. The lifetime health

advisory (HA) is the concentration of a chemical in drinking water that a person can be exposed to over a lifetime without experiencing any adverse, noncarcinogenic (i.e., non-cancer) effects(found in the 2012 Drinking Water Standards and Health Advisory Table). The critical effect that serves as the basis for the derivation of the health advisory value for 1,4-dioxane is liver and kidney toxicity. The 10^{-6} cancer risk describes the concentration of a chemical in drinking water that gives a person an estimated cancer risk of 1 in 1,000,000 over their lifetime. The 10^{-6} cancer risk is 0.35 ppb for 1,4-dioxane and is based on observed hepatocellular adenomas and carcinomas in mice (found in the IRIS 2010 Chemical Assessment Summary for 1,4 Dioxane, page 14 and 17). In other words, the cancer risk is meant to protect against cancer while the lifetime HA is meant to protect against non-cancer effects. A lifetime HA for non-cancer effects (in this case 200ppb) is made available to risk assessment managers for comparison to the cancer risk level (in this case 0.35ppb) drinking water concentration, allowing them to determine whether the non-cancer lifetime HA or the cancer risk level drinking water concentration provides a more meaningful scenario-specific risk reduction.

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On Apr 7, 2017, at 4:33 PM, Emily Dooley <Emily.Dooley@newsday.com> wrote:

> Hi Mary, Enesta and Dave,
> Thanks for sending this along.
> While I have you all, is it possible to set up a call next week about the 1,4-dioxane health advisories?
> I'm confused by the disparity between the cancer risk and lifetime other health risk advisory and want to be sure I understand how the .35 ppb can be a risk (albeit small) but 200 ppb is the threshold for other ill effects.
> Thanks, Emily
>
> ---
>
> **From:** Mears, Mary [mailto:Mears.Mary@epa.gov]
> **Sent:** Thursday, April 06, 2017 10:10 AM
> **To:** Emily Dooley <Emily.Dooley@newsday.com>
> **Cc:** Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>; Kluesner, Dave <kluesner.dave@epa.gov>

Subject: 1,4-dioxane
Importance: High

Hi Emily,
Enesta let me know you were looking for the response letters to Gov. Cuomo and Commissioners Seggos and Zucker on 1,4-dioxane. Both responses came from Catherine McCabe – the first in her capacity as Acting Administrator and the second on behalf of Administrator Pruitt in her capacity as Acting Regional Administrator. Both are attached.

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Message

From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: 4/18/2017 6:48:01 PM
To: schafer, joan [schafer.joan@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Press Inquiry about Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations (CAFOs)

No problem. Hope all is well.

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Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

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On Apr 18, 2017, at 2:46 PM, schafer, joan <schafer.joan@epa.gov> wrote:

> Thanks!
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> Sent from my iPhone
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> On Apr 18, 2017, at 11:07 AM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:
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bkroner@chespub.com

Message

From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: 4/18/2017 4:11:59 PM
To: Bradley Kroner [bkroner@chespub.com]
Subject: Re: Press Inquiry about Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations (CAFOs)

That's our response at this time.

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On Apr 18, 2017, at 12:11 PM, Bradley Kroner <bkroner@chespub.com> wrote:

> Do you have a timeline for when the agency may develop a policy on this? Do you anticipate the EPA enforcing this court order?
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Message

From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: 4/18/2017 3:27:41 PM
To: Bowman, Liz [Bowman.Liz@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: 1,4-dioxane

My pleasure!

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On Apr 18, 2017, at 11:27 AM, Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov> wrote:

> Thank you for being so organized and quick to respond!
>
> **From:** Jones, Enesta
> **Sent:** Tuesday, April 18, 2017 11:12 AM
> **To:** Emily Dooley <Emily.Dooley@newsday.com>
> **Cc:** Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>; Kluesner, Dave <kluesner.dave@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** Re: 1,4-dioxane
>
> Hi Emily,
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> For attribution to an EPA spokesperson:
>
> Research in animals has indicated that 1,4-dioxane can cause both adverse, noncarcinogenic effects as well as cancer. The lifetime health advisory (HA) is the concentration of a chemical in drinking water that a person can be exposed to over a lifetime without experiencing any adverse, noncarcinogenic (i.e., non-cancer) effects(found in the 2012 Drinking Water Standards and Health Advisory Table). The critical effect that serves as the basis for the derivation of the health advisory value for 1,4-dioxane is liver and kidney toxicity. The 10^{-6} cancer risk describes the concentration of a chemical in drinking water that gives a person an estimated cancer risk of 1 in 1,000,000 over their lifetime. The 10^{-6} cancer risk is 0.35 ppb for 1,4-dioxane and is based on observed hepatocellular adenomas and carcinomas in mice (found in the IRIS 2010 Chemical Assessment Summary for 1,4 Dioxane, page 14 and 17). In other words, the cancer risk is meant to protect against cancer while the lifetime HA is meant to protect against non-cancer effects. A lifetime HA for non-cancer effects (in this case 200ppb) is made available to risk assessment managers for comparison to the cancer risk level (in this case 0.35ppb) drinking water concentration, allowing them to determine whether the non-cancer lifetime HA or the cancer risk level drinking water concentration provides a more meaningful scenario-specific risk reduction.

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On Apr 7, 2017, at 4:33 PM, Emily Dooley <Emily.Dooley@newsday.com> wrote:

Hi Mary, Enesta and Dave,
Thanks for sending this along.
While I have you all, is it possible to set up a call next week about the 1,4-dioxane health advisories?
I'm confused by the disparity between the cancer risk and lifetime other health risk advisory and want to be sure I understand how the .35 ppb can be a risk (albeit small) but 200 ppb is the threshold for other ill effects.
Thanks, Emily

From: Mears, Mary [mailto:Mears.Mary@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, April 06, 2017 10:10 AM
To: Emily Dooley <Emily.Dooley@newsday.com>
Cc: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>; Kluesner, Dave <kluesner.dave@epa.gov>
Subject: 1,4-dioxane
Importance: High

Hi Emily,
Enesta let me know you were looking for the response letters to Gov. Cuomo and Commissioners Seggos and Zucker on 1,4-dioxane. Both responses came from Catherine McCabe – the first in her capacity as Acting Administrator and the second on behalf of Administrator Pruitt in her capacity as Acting Regional Administrator. Both are attached.

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Message

From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/29/2017 8:55:32 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: Fwd: statistics question

One actually left the station!

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Begin forwarded message:

Resent-From: <Press@epa.gov>
From: Jeff Brady <JBrady@npr.org>
Date: March 29, 2017 at 4:51:50 PM EDT
To: "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: statistics question

Xlent – thanks!

Jeff Brady | NPR Correspondent | jbrady@npr.org | 202-513-3414 | @jeffbradynpr

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From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 4:47 PM
To: Jeff Brady
Cc: Press
Subject: Re: statistics question

Hi Jeff,

For attribution to an EPA spokesperson:

Those are the most updated numbers available. They are from our 2014 data. We will have 2015 numbers available when the GHG Inventory is finalized in mid-April of this year.

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On Mar 29, 2017, at 11:36 AM, Jeff Brady <JBrady@npr.org> wrote:

> 2 pm ET. I'm sorry it's a "quick fact check" today but it wasn't a week ago when I sent the first email!
>
> Jeff Brady | NPR Correspondent | jbrady@npr.org | 202-513-3414 | @jeffbradynpr
>
> ---
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> **From:** Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
> **Sent:** Wednesday, March 29, 2017 11:34 AM
> **To:** Jeff Brady
> **Cc:** Press
> **Subject:** Re: statistics question
>
> Got it. What's the latest you need to hear back from us with this quick fact check?
>
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> On Mar 29, 2017, at 11:33 AM, Jeff Brady <JBrady@npr.org> wrote:
>
> > We have a piece airing that looks at two coal carbon capture projects in the US – Kemper and Petra Nova. In the radio story I'm comfortable saying, "Coal is responsible for most of the carbon dioxide emissions from power plants." In the text version of the story I'd like to use numbers—something like this: "The latest numbers from the EPA show coal generates about 39 percent of the electricity in the US but it produces about 77 percent of the Cos emissions that come from power plants."

Although coal accounts for about 77 percent of CO_2 emissions from the sector, it represents about 39 percent of the electricity generated in the United States.

Message

From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/13/2017 8:16:18 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]; Sharpe, Kristinn [Sharpe.Kristinn@epa.gov]; Welderufael, Miriam [welderufael.miriam@epa.gov]
Subject: Fwd: Subject: Fwd: Huffington Post questions about Energy Star

Handled.

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Begin forwarded message:

Resent-From: <Press@epa.gov>
From: "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Date: March 13, 2017 at 4:15:46 PM EDT
To: Alexander Kaufman <alexander.kaufman@huffingtonpost.com>
Subject: Subject: Fwd: Huffington Post questions about Energy Star

Dear Alexander,

For attribution to Julia Valentine or to, "an EPA spokesperson," please:

We are not commenting at this early stage in the process.

Thanks, R.

From: Alexander Kaufman [mailto:alexander.kaufman@huffingtonpost.com]
Sent: Friday, March 10, 2017 10:30 AM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Huffington Post questions about Energy Star

Forwarding to this line, per Robert's away email.

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: **Alexander Kaufman** <alexander.kaufman@huffingtonpost.com>
Date: Fri, Mar 10, 2017 at 10:29 AM
Subject: Huffington Post questions about Energy Star
To: "StClair, Christie" <stclair.christie@epa.gov>, daguillard.robert@epa.gov

Good morning,

I'm working on a story, probably coming out later today, on how multiple industries -- including real estate, building, engineering, building management and more -- depend on the Energy Star program that is reportedly on the chopping block.

I was hoping to confirm a few things:

1. Can you confirm that the program was flagged for phase out under the budget proposed by the administration?

2. The EPA funded the program last year to the tune of $50 million, with another $7 million coming from DOE, correct?

3. What private services would the EPA point to as possible alternatives or as models for how the program could function as a privatized institution?

Thank you!

--
Alexander C. Kaufman
Business & Environment Reporter
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Message

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Sent: 3/13/2017 8:12:52 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]; Sharpe, Kristinn [Sharpe.Kristinn@epa.gov]; Welderufael, Miriam [welderufael.miriam@epa.gov]
Subject: Fwd: Subject: Media inquiry about EPA budget

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From: "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Date: March 13, 2017 at 4:12:15 PM EDT
To: "jmcgrath@digitaltrends.com" <jmcgrath@digitaltrends.com>
Subject: Subject: Media inquiry about EPA budget

Good afternoon,

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We are not commenting at this early stage in the process.

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Jenny McGrath <jmcgrath@digitaltrends.com>
Date: March 10, 2017 at 2:20:11 PM EST
To: "media@energystar.gov" <media@energystar.gov>
Subject: Media inquiry about EPA budget [WARNING: SPF validation failed]

Hi,
I'm the home editor at Digital Trends, an online tech site with over 20 million readers a month. I'm working on a story based on a blog post from NRDC about the potential to cut the Energy Star program. I'd like to get a little more insight from someone at Energy Star if possible.

Thanks,

Jenny McGrath
Home Editor
Phone: 206.745.2289
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Sent: 1/25/2017 7:36:15 PM
To: Cohen, Dave [DCohen@rff.org]
Subject: FW: POLITICO: Spicer: Social media crackdown isn't directed by White House

Alternative facts

Spicer: Social media crackdown isn't directed by White House

By Andrew Restuccia

White House press secretary Sean Spicer said today that the White House is not directing federal agencies to rein in their public communications.

"There's nothing that has come from the White House," Spicer said. "Absolutely not."

A series of internal directives at federal agencies — including EPA and the Interior Department, which houses the National Park Service — to limit social media and other public-facing communications have caused a firestorm in recent days, with watchdog groups raising red flags.

But Spicer insisted those directives were agency-specific policies, not a broader directive from the White House.

Spicer also blamed rogue employees for tweets from National Park Service Twitter accounts, including images comparing crowds at former President Barack Obama's 2009 inauguration with Trump's inauguration and posts about climate change.

He said a "an unauthorized user had an old password in the San Francisco office, went in and started retweeting inappropriate things that were in violation of their policy."

Spicer said both EPA and the National Park Service are working to resolve the issue.

"A couple of these agencies have had trouble adhering to their own policies, and I'd refer you back to them as to why those things are happening," he said. "But I know they are taking steps in both of those two cases to address inappropriate use of social media."

And Spicer also pointed to Obama administration violations of social media policy, such as the 2015 Government Accountability Office report that EPA had violated federal law with a social media campaign to win public support for a controversial water regulation.

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Sent: 6/27/2018 3:03:59 PM
To: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Subject: Fwd: Article on Regulation of Carbon Dioxide Storage in North Dakota

Hi Mark, I'm now looking into your questions.

From: Mark Halsall [mailto Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
Sent: Wednesday, June 27, 2018 10:32 AM
To: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Article on Regulation of Carbon Dioxide Storage in North Dakota

Hi Lynn.

Here are those questions for the carbon capture and sequestration article I'm writing, as promised:

- North Dakota is the first state in the U.S. to be given authority to regulate underground wells used for long-term storage of waste carbon dioxide captured from industrial sources. What is the significance of this agreement between the EPA and North Dakota?

- Why did the EPA agree to grant this authority to North Dakota?

- Why is carbon capture and sequestration (CCS) important? What is the EPA doing to promote this technology?

What are the potential benefits of CCS technology for the C02 producers (i.e. coal-fired power plants and ethnol production facilities)? What are the potential benefits for C02 users (i.e. oil and gas wells)?

- EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt has been quoted as saying that handing regulation over to the state would help advance carbon capture and sequestration technology How will this agreement help advance CCS technology?

- What does this agreement mean for the coal and ethanol industries in North Dakota (and/or the US in general)? What does it mean for the oil and gas industry in North Dakota (and/or the US in general)?

That's about it. As previously indicated, July 6 is when I need to have either conducted a phone interview or received written responses in order to make my deadline. If a phone interview is the route the EPA chooses to go, appreciate it if you could let me know know as soon as you can so we can set this up.

Thanks for help, Lynn.

Regards,

Mark Halsall

Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

On Wed, Jun 20, 2018 at 1:30 PM, Mark Halsall < Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) > wrote:

> Thanks for getting back to me Tricia - much appreciated. I will get you a list of questions early next week. The hard deadline for the piece is July 6.
>
> Mark
>
> On Wed, Jun 20, 2018 at 1:23 PM, Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov> wrote:
>
> > Hi Mark—
> >
> > Thanks for your inquiry.
> >
> > I'm happy to check into the possibility of an interview, but please be aware that they're not always available. If not, we can typically respond in writing. Any response is more likely to come from our subject matter experts than the Administrator. Even then, we may not be able to provide a specific source for attribution.
> >
> > In any case, to begin I'll need a list of your specific questions and hard deadline. Can you please supply those at your earliest convenience?
> >
> > Thanks so much,

Tricia

Tricia Lynn

Office of Public Affairs

U.S. EPA

Office: 202.564.2615

From: Mark Halsall [mailto Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Wednesday, June 20, 2018 1:24 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Article on Regulation of Carbon Dioxide Storage in North Dakota

Hello. I just sent an interview request to Richard Mylott, but he's suggested I contact the EPA national press office at this email address instead. If you could get back to me about request at your earliest convenience, I'd really appreciate it.

Regards,

Mark Halsall

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---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: **Mylott, Richard** <Mylott.Richard@epa.gov>

Date: Wed, Jun 20, 2018 at 12:14 PM
Subject: Re: Article on Regulation of Carbon Dioxide Storage in North Dakota
To: Mark Halsall < Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Thanks for this Mark. Folks in our national press office should be able to help with this. Best is 202-564-4355 or press@epa.gov.

Rich Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 20, 2018, at 11:11 AM, Mark Halsall Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) wrote:

> Hello Rich,
>
> My name is Mark Halsall, and I'm writing an article on the move by the EPA to give North Dakota the power to regulate carbon dioxide storage wells within the state for Basin Bits, a trade magazine put out by the Western Dakota Energy Association. It would be great if I could include a comment or two from EPA Adminstrator Scott Pruitt in the article, and I am contacting you in the hopes we can make arrangements for interview (either via phone or email). If you could get back to me at your earliest convenience to let me know if this is doable, I'd really appreciate it.
>
> Thanks - hope to hear back from you soon.
>
> Mark Halsall
>
> Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

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Sent: 7/26/2018 6:45:26 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Subject: TCE Inquiry for EPA from LaCrosse Tribune

The things E notices...editing so cute! 😂🅱️😂

On Jul 26, 2018, at 2:42 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Chris, for attribution to "an EPA Spokesperson," please:

The amended Toxic Substances Control Act put in place new scientific standards for best available science and weight of evidence. As part of EPA's ongoing risk evaluation of TCE, which is scheduled to be completed in late 2019, the Agency is including the conditions of use from the two proposed TCE section 6 rules.

EPA has concluded that the risk evaluations for TCE will be more robust if the conditions of use are evaluated by applying the guidance and approaches required by the amended TSCA statute. *If through its evaluation EPA determines that any of these conditions of use present unreasonable risks, EPA will take prompt action under the statute to address those risks.*

Cheers, R.

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From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Thursday, July 26, 2018 1:50 PM
To: 'Chris.Hubbuch@lee.net' <Chris.Hubbuch@lee.net>
Subject: Subject: TCE Inquiry for EPA from LaCrosse Tribune

Good afternoon Chris,

Do you still need a response, since I understand your story has already run? Please advise.

Cheers, R.

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From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 24, 2018 4:45 PM
To: Chris Hubbuch <Chris.Hubbuch@lee.net>
Cc: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: TCE Inquiry for EPA from LaCrosse Tribune

Hi Chris, thanks for reaching out and apologies for just hearing back from us.

Are those your only questions below and what's your firm deadline?

Thanks,
Enesta

I'm trying to figure out the agency's current status and plans for the proposed ban on trichloroethylene (TCE) under TSCA. Specifically, does the agency intend to move forward and if so under what timeline?

I realize this is probably a question for headquarters – can you advise on the appropriate contact or forward my request?

Thanks.

Chris Hubbuch
La Crosse Tribune
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Sent: 10/26/2018 8:16:46 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
Subject: NANCY: Fact-checking questions from PNAS about e-waste

Nvm. He fig'ed it out.

From: "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Date: October 26, 2018 at 4:16:03 PM EDT
To: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) >
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Fact-checking questions from PNAS about e-waste

Roberta, on background – i.e., for attribution to U.S. EPA, please:

No, it is not correct. The generation of selected consumer electronics was 3.36 million tons in 2014, while in 2015 (our latest year of data), it decreased to 3.09 million tons. Please see Table 14 on page 16 of our 2015 Data Tables for more information: https://www.epa.gov/facts-and-figures-about-materials-waste-and-recycling/advancing-sustainable-materials-management

Cheers, R.

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From: Roberta Kwok [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Friday, October 26, 2018 2:58 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Fact-checking questions from PNAS about e-waste

Hi Robert,

I think that's probably fine; I'll let you know if my editor sets an earlier deadline than that.

Thanks!
Roberta

On Fri, Oct 26, 2018, at 2:55 PM, Daguillard, Robert wrote:

> Thanks, Roberta,
>
> Let's shoot for the end of next week, if that's all right?

Cheers, R.

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From: Roberta Kwok [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Friday, October 26, 2018 2:54 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Fact-checking questions from PNAS about e-waste

Dear Robert,

Thanks for your message. I don't have a firm deadline from my editor yet for getting in corrections. If someone is able to get back to me in the next few business days, that would probably be fine. Thanks!

Roberta

On Fri, Oct 26, 2018, at 2:53 PM, Daguillard, Robert wrote:

> Dear Ms. Kwok, (Roberta, if I may),
>
> Happy to look into this for you. Are you on deadline? And when are you hoping to publish your story?
>
> Thanks, R.
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> **From:** Roberta Kwok [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
> **Sent:** Friday, October 26, 2018 2:48 PM
> **To:** Press <Press@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** Re: Fact-checking questions from PNAS about e-waste
>
> Hello,
>
> I got an out-of-office message from Ms. Lynn. Would someone else at EPA be able to help with this fact-checking question (below)?
>
> Best,
> Roberta
>
> On Fri, Oct 26, 2018, at 2:47 PM, Roberta Kwok wrote:

Dear Ms. Lynn,

I am a freelance journalist based near Seattle. I am currently fact-checking an article about e-waste recycling for the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS)' news section, which will briefly mention information from the EPA report "Improved Information Could Better Enable EPA to Manage Electronic Waste and Enforce Regulations" (#13-P-0298).

I was wondering if I could confirm one fact with you: Is it correct that the amount of e-waste is growing faster than that of every other type of solid garbage in the United States?

You can find more information about my work, including previous articles I've written, at http://www.robertakwok.com.

Thank you for your help!

Best,
Roberta Kwok

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Message

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Sent: 6/1/2018 3:22:39 PM
To: Abboud, Michael [abboud.michael@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Upcoming publication of area attainment designations for 2015 ozone NAAQS signed April 30

Weird. Not supposed to be that way. They don't link to anything.

On Jun 1, 2018, at 11:22 AM, Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov> wrote:

What are the hyperlinks for?

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Friday, June 1, 2018 11:20 AM
To: Sean Reilly <sreilly@eenews.net>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Upcoming publication of area attainment designations for 2015 ozone NAAQS signed April 30

"EPA has worked through its normal process to assure that the final designations notice signed by the Administrator on April 30, 2018 was complete, accurate and ready for publication in the Federal Register. The Agency has been informed that it will publish on June 4, 2018. This final rule does not designate eight counties in the San Antonio, Texas area. EPA will complete designations for these counties by July 17, 2018." — EPA spokesperson

On Jun 1, 2018, at 9:45 AM, Sean Reilly <sreilly@eenews.net> wrote:

Hi folks:
I'm working on a story today that will note that publication is coming after EPA was criticized for foot-dragging by environmental groups and about 15 states in filings last week with the D.C. Circuit Court (https://www.eenews.net/greenwire/stories/1060082777/). Is EPA now going ahead with these designations because of that criticism?
My deadline is noon; I need any response to be on-the-record and for attribution. If not, I can't use it.

Thanks,
Sean

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Sent: 8/22/2018 6:51:41 PM
To: Allington, Adam [aallington@bloombergenvironment.com]
Subject: Re: URGENT: Media request from Bloomberg

We can do 10 a.m. ET tomorrow.
It's on background. Not for attribution/direct sourcing.
We have 45 mins tops for the discussion.

What's the best number to reach you on? We will call you.

On Aug 22, 2018, at 2:49 PM, Allington, Adam <aallington@bloombergenvironment.com> wrote:

How about any time before 11:00 a.m?

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, August 22, 2018 2:29 PM
To: Allington, Adam <aallington@bloombergenvironment.com>
Subject: Re: URGENT: Media request from Bloomberg

Great.

Deadline time tomorrow?

Any times that do not work for you?

On Aug 22, 2018, at 2:28 PM, Allington, Adam <aallington@bloombergenvironment.com> wrote:

Yep. Tomorrow morning would work.

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, August 22, 2018 2:10 PM
To: Allington, Adam <aallington@bloombergenvironment.com>
Subject: Re: URGENT: Media request from Bloomberg

And tomorrow morning? Is that an option, Adam?

On Aug 22, 2018, at 2:09 PM, Allington, Adam <aallington@bloombergenvironment.com> wrote:

I could if that is the only option, but 4:30 would be much better, as I'm usually heading out the door for daycare pickup right at 5:00

Thanks, Enesta.

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, August 22, 2018 1:50 PM

To: Allington, Adam <aallington@bloombergenvironment.com>
Subject: Re: URGENT: Media request from Bloomberg

Can you do 5 pm today?

On Aug 22, 2018, at 12:39 PM, Allington, Adam <aallington@bloombergenvironment.com> wrote:

Hello Robert,

I'm working on a story looking at non-target testing for chemicals....kind of based off this blog post from EPA. https://www.epa.gov/sciencematters/epa-researchers-use-innovative-approach-find-pfas-environment

I'd love to speak with someone from EPA about this, Mark Strynar perhaps.

1. <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->How does non-target analysis work?
2. <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->How new is this approach? Are researchers just now using if for the first time to identifying threats to drinking water and other things in communities?
3. <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->What are the implications going forward?

Ideally, I'd love to speak to someone today, if possible.

Many thanks!
Adam

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Sent: 10/12/2018 4:11:46 PM
To: Critchfield, James [Critchfield.James@epa.gov]
CC: Sylvan, Stephan [Sylvan.Stephan@epa.gov]; Stevens, Katherine [stevens.katherine@epa.gov]; DeLuca, Isabel [DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov]; Clarke, Deirdre [clarke.deirdre@epa.gov]; Clouse, Matt [Clouse.Matt@epa.gov]; Klein, Melissa [Klein.Melissa@epa.gov]; Moss, Jacob [Moss.Jacob@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: UC Berkeley GPP response

Perf; tnx!

On Oct 12, 2018, at 12:11 PM, Critchfield, James <Critchfield.James@epa.gov> wrote:

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

To add some context to the attribution statement, you might also add the words Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Friday, October 12, 2018 12:07 PM
To: Sylvan, Stephan
Cc: Stevens, Katherine; DeLuca, Isabel; Critchfield, James; Clarke, Deirdre; Clouse, Matt; Klein, Melissa; Moss, Jacob
Subject: Re: UC Berkeley GPP response

Tnx. Notice the **bold**. I included it. It's accurate, right?

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On Oct 12, 2018, at 12:04 PM, Sylvan, Stephan <Sylvan.Stephan@epa.gov> wrote:

That makes good sense to me. Thanks!

Stephan D. Sylvan
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From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Friday, October 12, 2018 12:03:48 PM
To: Stevens, Katherine
Cc: Sylvan, Stephan; DeLuca, Isabel; Critchfield, James; Clarke, Deirdre; Clouse, Matt; Klein, Melissa; Moss, Jacob
Subject: Re: UC Berkeley GPP response

Tnx all. I think we can share all the info on background and lift this for attribution to James:

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Does this approach work for everyone?

On Oct 12, 2018, at 11:58 AM, Stevens, Katherine <stevens.katherine@epa.gov> wrote:

Attached is James Critchfield's response.

Thanks,

Kati

Kati Stevens

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Sent: 4/10/2018 8:01:36 PM
To: Amorosi, Joanne [Amorosi.Joanne@epa.gov]
CC: Cooper, Marian [Cooper.Marian@epa.gov]
Subject: FINAL RESPONSE: Questions about your agency, sustainability report

On background (not for attribution):

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Sent: 1/8/2018 11:23:55 PM
To: AO OPA Press Officers [AO-OPA-Press-Officers@epa.gov]
Subject: Fwd: Problem formulations: question

I will reach out to the Bloomberg Environment editor who I know well — Jessica Coomes — to see if they have a firm, across-the-board, all-the-time, all subjects policy now established on attribution.

That will be helpful to us, the third floor — and the programs, on the front end, when they send us responses, knowing we need a name + title.

<prizzuto@bloombergenvironment.com>
Date: January 8, 2018 at 1:34:51 PM EST
To: "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Problem formulations: question

In this case then I won't even use the remark, because it doesn't provide new information, and it was only of interest if it did. By the way, for the future, my bosses are cracking down. We're not to use "EPA spokesperson" any more. The view is: spokespeople provide us comments they've been cleared to offer. It's their job to deliver those comments, and therefore they are identified by name with the title of spokesman or spokeswoman, which makes it clear the person isn't delivering his or her own opinion.
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Bloomberg Environment

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From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Monday, January 08, 2018 1:31 PM
To: Rizzuto, Denise Pat <prizzuto@bloombergenvironment.com>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Problem formulations: question

Pat, for attribution, as usual, to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

The problem formulations are still under internal review and will be issued as soon as review is complete.

Cheers, R.

From: Rizzuto, Denise Pat [mailto:prizzuto@bloombergenvironment.com]
Sent: Monday, January 08, 2018 11:36 AM

To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Problem formulations: question

I'm helping write a story today that will mention EPA's anticipated problem formulation for asbestos (as a reminder that is one of 10 chemicals/groups of chemicals the agency is evaluating for health/environmental risks, and the agency has said the problem formulations would be out by the end of December—an estimate then moved to end of January.
Deadline 2 p.m.

What's the estimated time when the asbestos problem formulation will be released?
What about the problem formulations for the remaining 9 chemicals?

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Sent: 4/4/2018 1:02:05 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: RFS refinery waivers

Where the capital "a" in agency? ๑๑๑๑๑๑

On Apr 4, 2018, at 9:00 AM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Chris, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

This type of waiver contains confidential business information, and the agency has no comment at this time.

Cheers, R.

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From: Chris Clayton [mailto:chris.clayton@dtn.com]
Sent: Tuesday, April 03, 2018 5:12 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: RFS refinery waivers

Robert,

I'm getting a great deal of commentary from organizations pointing out how these waivers, particularly the one highlighted by Reuters, "have no transparency" and undermine the RFS.
There's also a question raised about the need for regulatory relief, or relief from a court order for EPA because of the court ruling highlighting a 500 million gallon RINs shortfall for 2016 after a court ruled EPA had erred in its RVO obligations from 2014-16.

So are these refiners getting waivers, then being allowed to sell 2016 RINs back into the marketplace?

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From: Chris Clayton
Sent: Tuesday, April 03, 2018 3:26 PM
To: 'Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov' <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RFS refinery waivers

Robert,

You sent me a number of the refineries granted 2016 waivers on March 22 as 14 refineries for 2016.
I read a Reuters piece about the waivers and I do not understand why EPA is declining to release information on the waivers when the agency is waiving an environmental regulatory obligation to a company. What is the basis for declining to share information on the waivers and of those 14 refineries, can you tell me how many RINs that entails?

Thanks,

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Sent: 4/3/2018 2:10:10 PM
To: schafer, joan [schafer.joan@epa.gov]
Subject: Fwd: Reaction to U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia ruling on Anacostia River trash tmdl

FYI

Begin forwarded message:

Resent-From: <Press@epa.gov>
From: "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Date: April 2, 2018 at 5:46:35 PM EDT
To: "Saiyid, Amena" <asaiyid@bloombergenvironment.com>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Reaction to U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia ruling on Anacostia River trash tmdl

Amena, for attribution to an EPA spokesperson, please:

"We are reviewing the decision."

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On Apr 2, 2018, at 5:36 PM, Saiyid, Amena <asaiyid@bloombergenvironment.com> wrote:

> Not in my hands Robert.
>
> Sent from my iPhone
>
> On Apr 2, 2018, at 5:30 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:
>
> > Thanks, Amena. It'll likely require a little bit more time if you can hang on just a little while longer.
> >
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> > On Apr 2, 2018, at 4:54 PM, Saiyid, Amena <asaiyid@bloombergenvironment.com> wrote:
> >
> > > Need to file now but can wait until 5:45 pm.

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From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Monday, April 02, 2018 4:54 PM
To: Saiyid, Amena <asaiyid@bloombergenvironment.com>
Subject: Re: Reaction to U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia ruling on Anacostia River trash tmdl

Thanks, Amena. What's your deadline and how late can you update your story, please?

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On Apr 2, 2018, at 4:50 PM, Saiyid, Amena <asaiyid@bloombergenvironment.com> wrote:

> Hello all,
> I wanted to find out if the EPA plans to appeal the March 30 federal district court ruling that vacated the trash tmdl.
> Sincerely,
> Amena
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>
> **Amena H. Saiyid**
> Water Reporter
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Sent: 11/13/2017 2:19:54 PM
To: Julia Boccagno [jboccagno@sbgtv.com]
CC: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Follow up: mosquitos

Thanks. Can you come to EPA Headquarters for the interview? Or can it be done another way? This is taped-to-air when?

On Nov 13, 2017, at 9:18 AM, Julia Boccagno <jboccagno@sbgtv.com> wrote:

Hi Enesta,

Thanks for following up. My hard deadline is Wednesday, so if I could interview someone tomorrow, that'd be great.

Here are the questions I sent to Robert.

1.) Why now? Why has the ZAP strain method just been approved?

2.) Why were certain states selected for trials? Is this where mosquito-related issues are rampant?

3.) Who will monitor the release? And what does that process look like?

From: "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Date: Monday, November 13, 2017 at 8:26 AM
To: Julia Boccagno <jboccagno@sbgtv.com>
Cc: "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>, "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Follow up: mosquitos

Hi Julia, I'm covering for Robert today. I can look into whether an interview is possible. What are your specific interview questions and hard deadline? Thank you.

On Nov 9, 2017, at 6:28 PM, Julia Boccagno <jboccagno@sbgtv.com> wrote:

Hi Robert,

Thanks so much for this. But I was wondering if it's possible to arrange an on-camera interview with someone who can say this since I'm producing a video on it?

From: "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Date: Thursday, November 9, 2017 at 5:57 PM
To: Julia Boccagno <jboccagno@sbgtv.com>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Follow up: mosquitos

Julia, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

1.) **Why now? Why has the ZAP strain method just been approved?**

MosquitoMate, the ZAP Males® registrant, first requested an experimental use permit (EUP) to test the *Wolbachia* technology in 2013. Since that time MosquitoMate has continued testing *Wolbachia* under a number of EPA-issued EUPs in select locations across the U.S. More information about these field trials can be found onwww.regulations.gov under docket number EPA-HQ-OPP-2013-0254.

In early 2016, EPA received a registration application for the ZAP Males® as a microbial bio-pesticide. The data gathered during the preceding EUPs were used to inform the registration decision.

2.) **Why were certain states selected for trials? Is this where mosquito-related issues are rampant?**

The registrant, in this case, MosquitoMate, decides where they would like to conduct their testing and includes those areas in their applications for EUPs. More information about these field trials can be found on www.regulations.gov under docket number EPA-HQ-OPP-2013-0254.

3.) **Who will monitor the release? And what does that process look like?**

According to the label, ZAP Males® are for use only by MosquitoMate, Inc., those under direct contract with the company, government officials responsible for public health or vector control, or those certified to perform the applications. State lead pesticide agencies monitor for compliance with label requirements.

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On Nov 8, 2017, at 12:02 PM, Julia Boccagno <jboccagno@sbgtv.com> wrote:

Hi Robert,

I'm not on a firm deadline, but sooner rather than later is always preferred.

Yes, I've already reached out to Mosquito Mate, and they're interested in talking to me for the piece as well. Since the EPA is the institution that approved it, I believe it's equally vital to include the government's perspective as well.

Does this help?

From: "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Date: Wednesday, November 8, 2017 at 11:55 AM
To: Julia Boccagno <jboccagno@sbgtv.com>
Subject: RE: Follow up: mosquitos

Thanks, Julia. Are you on a firm deadline? When are you hoping to produce your piece (video/audio)?

Also, how will information from EPA fit into your larger story? Other voices you're hoping to include?

Thanks, R.

From: Julia Boccagno [mailto:jboccagno@sbgtv.com]
Sent: Wednesday, November 08, 2017 11:50 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Follow up: mosquitos

Hi Robert,

Thanks for this. Still wondering if it's possible to arrange a quick on-camera interview, since we're primarily a video-centric news organization. I'd love to talk with someone from this department about the following:

1.) Why now? Why has the ZAP strain method just been approved?
2.) Why were certain states selected for trials? Is this where mosquito-related issues are rampant?
3.) Who will monitor the release? And what does that process look like?

Please let me know if you're able to assist,

Julia

From: "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Date: Wednesday, November 8, 2017 at 11:24 AM
To: Julia Boccagno <jboccagno@sbgtv.com>
Subject: RE: Follow up: mosquitos

Hey Julia,

I hope the following helps. Thanks, R.

EPA Pesticide Program Updates

From EPA's Office of Pesticide Programs

www.epa.gov/pesticides

November 7, 2017

In This Update:

EPA Registers the Wolbachia ZAP Strain in Live Male Asian Tiger Mosquitoes

On November 3, 2017, EPA registered a new mosquito biopesticide – ZAP Males® - that can reduce local populations of the type of mosquito (*Aedes albopictus*, or Asian Tiger Mosquitoes) that can spread numerous diseases of significant human health concern, including the Zika virus.

ZAP Males® are live male mosquitoes that are infected with the ZAP strain, a particular strain of the *Wolbachia* bacterium. Infected males mate with females, which then produce offspring that do not survive. (Male mosquitoes do not bite people.) With continued releases of the ZAP Males®, local *Aedes albopictus* populations decrease. *Wolbachia* are naturally occurring bacteria commonly found in most insect species.

This time-limited registration allows MosquitoMate, Inc. to sell the *Wolbachia*-infected male mosquitoes for five years in the District of Columbia and the following states: California, Connecticut, Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Maine, Maryland, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Nevada, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Vermont, and West Virginia. Before the ZAP Males® can be used in each of those jurisdictions, it must be registered in the state or district.

When the five-year time limit ends, the registration will expire unless the registrant requests further action from EPA.

EPA's risk assessments, along with the pesticide labeling, EPA's response to public comments on the Notice of Receipt, and the proposed registration decision, can be found on www.regulations.gov under docket number EPA-HQ-OPP-2016-0205.

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From: Julia Boccagno [mailto:jboccagno@sbgtv.com]
Sent: Wednesday, November 08, 2017 11:21 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Follow up: mosquitos

Hi Robert,

It was a pleasure talking to you.

I'm following up on our conversation earlier to obtain more information about the EPA's recent approval of a bacterium to kill wild mosquitos. Would you be able to pass along that information, and I can re-evaluate from there.

Separately, I cover a lot of environmental stories here at Circa, and I was wondering if there's a press distribution list you would be able to add me to.

Many thanks,
Julia
—
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Message

From: prizzuto@bna.com [prizzuto@bna.com]
Sent: 10/27/2017 7:25:33 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
CC: Pearson, Sam [spearson@bna.com]
Subject: Re: Robert has there been some misunderstanding about our question?

Got it. That was a different question for a story on which he was the lead.

Somewhere in the chain of emails a question our editors asked us to get for TSCA stories I'm likely to write by the end of the year involves staffing at OPPT. I'm trying to figure out three items:

1) I'm wondering what the OPPT staff level is now -- including detainees/--and how that compares to pre-Lautenberg.
2) I'm also wondering if folks from OPP have been detailed to OPPT, because (I think) it has the most expertise directly applicable (correct me if I'm wrong) or if OPPT has gotten folks from many different offices, regions?
3) Can OPPT pick among potential detailees to get those with the most sought-after expertise or does the office have to choose folks based on other criteria such as seniority?

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 27, 2017, at 3:05 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

> Good afternoon and thanks, Pat. The response below actually addresses a slightly different set of questions, which Sam sent on Tuesday as part of the larger back-and-forth on OCSPP staff assignments and details.
>
> "I also need to get a response today, it turns out, to some advocate comments that got added into my draft... where advocates were expressing a perspective that they claimed it's not clear the current EPA leadership "has any interest in protecting workers, even though workers were a large part of them being in office" – so wanted to give EPA the chance to respond to that if you like – the context is, that the story is about what kind of worker protections could result from EPA's reviews under new TSCA of the first 10 chemicals, and how EPA could have authority to set protective limits for the chemicals that are stricter than what OSHA has done historically. However, some advocates are skeptical that EPA intends to fully use this authority at this time. Obviously EPA may have a different view so if there's anything you can share there that would be great"
>
> I sent the response about OPP-OPPT details yesterday at 1:38 PM; and passed Sam's questions on to the OCSPP folks as soon as I received them.
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> **From:** Rizzuto, Denise Pat [mailto:prizzuto@bna.com]
> **Sent:** Friday, October 27, 2017 2:41 PM
> **To:** Pearson, Sam <spearson@bna.com>
> **Cc:** Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** Robert has there been some misunderstanding about our question?
>
> The answers we've gotten about whether folks from OPP have been transferred, or "detailed," to OPPT seem so odd that I'm wondering whether there's been a misunderstanding. I asked him to find out if folks from OPP had been detailed to OPPT, because of all the EPA offices the pesticides one has the most risk assessment experience. Or perhaps, EPA has sought to add experienced risk assessors—from OPP, the air and other offices to provide that experience to OPPT, which has not done a lot of risk evaluations.

Quite confused by your reply below,

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From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Friday, October 27, 2017 1:27 PM
To: Pearson, Sam <spearson@bna.com>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: SAM: TSCA and worker protection

Sam, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

EPA is committed to protecting workers and has clear authority to do so under TSCA, as amended by the Frank R. Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act. We can not speculate what kind of worker protections could result from EPA's reviews before evaluations are completed. However, the scope documents of EPA's risk evaluations for the first ten chemicals do address workers. In addition, EPA addressed consideration of workers in the final rule (https://www.federalregister.gov/d/2017-14325) that established the Agency's procedures for chemical risk evaluations under TSCA.

If EPA determines that chemical substance presents an unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment, TSCA requires the EPA to initiate the development a regulation to reduce the risks such that they would no longer be unreasonable (Read more here about actions EPA could take).

More information on authorities under the amended TSCA: TSCA section 6(b)(4)(A) requires that EPA conduct risk evaluations to determine whether a chemical substance presents an unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment, without consideration of costs or other nonrisk factors, including an unreasonable risk to a "potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulation" identified as relevant to the risk evaluation by the Administrator, under the conditions of use. As defined in section 3 of the amended TSCA, the term "potentially exposed or susceptible subpopulation" means a group of individuals within the general population identified by the Administrator who, due to either greater susceptibility or greater exposure, may be at greater risk than the general population of adverse health effects from exposure to a chemical substance or mixture, such as infants, children, pregnant women, **workers**, or the elderly.

Cheers, R.

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Sent: 8/13/2017 4:05:00 PM
To: E Jones Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

From: "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Date: July 13, 2017 at 6:57:24 PM EDT
To: Alex Guillen <aguillen@politico.com>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Hearing details on methane NSPS?

Hi Alex,

On background:

The notice of public hearing was included the Federal Register notices for the proposed actions. The notices indicated that if a hearing were requested, it would be held at the EPA East Building on July 10. When a hearing was requested, we also posted a notice about the hearing and instructions for registering to speak on EPA's website athttps://www.epa.gov/controlling-air-pollution-oil-and-natural-gas-industry/public-hearing-oil-and-gas-nsps-proposed .We held that hearing on Monday; nearly 120 people provided comments at the hearing.

Here's where you can find the announcements in the Federal Register:

For the proposed two-year stay, see the top of the third column on the first page at:https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2017-06-16/pdf/2017-12698.pdf

For the proposed three-month stay, see the bottom of the third column on the first page at:
For the proposed two year stay, see the top of the third column on the first page age:https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2017-06-16/pdf/2017-12698.pdf

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From: "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Date: July 18, 2017 at 11:49:37 PM EDT
To: "Biesecker, Michael" <MBiesecker@ap.org>
Subject: Re: PITCH: Billion Dollars To Help Improve Water Quality Across the Country

Hey Michael,

Here it is -- under embargo. What do you think?

EPA Selects 12 Projects to Apply for Water Infrastructure Loans
Loans will help improve water quality for 20 million Americans in rural, urban communities

WASHINGTON – The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is inviting 12 projects in nine states to apply for Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) loans. These potential applicants were selected from a group of projects that represent large and small communities from across the United States that submitted letters of interest to EPA in April 2017.

In FY2017, the WIFIA program received $25 million in funding, including an additional $8 million in the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2017 that President Donald Trump signed into law on May 5, 2017. This year's projects will also leverage more than a billion dollars in private capital and other funding sources including EPA's State Revolving Fund (SRF) loans, to help finance a total of $5.1 billion in water infrastructure investments. The selected projects demonstrate the broad range of project types that the WIFIA program can finance including wastewater, drinking water, stormwater, and water recycling projects.

"Rebuilding America's infrastructure is a critical pillar of the President's agenda," said EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt. "These large-scale projects will improve water quality for 20 million Americans, especially those communities that need it the most – such as rural and urban communities."

EPA received 43 letters of interest from both public and private entities in response to the 2017 WIFIA Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA). After a robust, statutorily required reviewprocess, the WIFIA Selection Committee chose the following 12prospective borrowers projects to submit applications for loans:

1. Miami-Dade County, Florida - Ocean Outfall Discharge Reduction and Resiliency Enhancement Project.
2. San Francisco Public Utilities Commission, California - Southeast Water Pollution Control Plant Biosolids Digester Facilities Project.
3. Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District, Missouri - Deer Creek Sanitary Tunnel and Sanitary Relief.
4. City of Omaha, Nebraska - Saddle Creek Combined Sewer Overflow Retention Treatment Basin.
5. Orange County Water District, California - Groundwater Replenishment System Final Expansion.
6. City of San Diego, California - Pure Water San Diego.
7. Indiana Finance Authority, Indiana - Indiana Finance Authority FY 2017.
8. King County, Washington - Georgetown Wet Weather Treatment Station.
9. Baltimore City Department of Public Works, Maryland - Comprehensive Infrastructure Repair, Rehabilitation and Replacement Program.
10. Maine Water Company, Maine - Saco River Water Treatment Facility. (*Private*)
11. City of Morro Bay, California - Water Reclamation Facility Project. (*Small Community*)
12. City of Oak Ridge, Tennessee - Water Treatment Plant Design and Construction.

The Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act established by Congress in 2014 requires EPA to follow a selection framework that includes an assessment of letters of interest by performing an eligibility screening, a preliminary creditworthiness assessment, and an evaluation of the selection criteria. The WIFIA program selection criteria and respective weights are available in the WIFIA Handbook (Appendix C, page 53).

Established by the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act of 2014, the WIFIA program is a new federal loan and guarantee program at EPA that aims to accelerate investment in our nation's water infrastructure by providing long-term, low-cost supplemental credit assistance for regionally and nationally significant projects. The WIFIA program's funding in President Trump's FY18 budget is $20 million, an amount that should fund approximately $1 billion in loans. For more information about the WIFIA program, visit: https://www.epa.gov/wifia

On Jul 18, 2017, at 11:23 PM, Biesecker, Michael <MBiesecker@ap.org> wrote:

Enesta,

Send me the details and I'll take a look.

Thanks,

Michael

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On Jul 18, 2017, at 9:21 PM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Michael,

Sorry to hit you at this late hour. I pitched this to your colleague, John Flesher, but he couldn't get a green light from his editor.

I am reaching out to pitch you a story that will resonate with your readers. There is an EPA effort underway -- specifically a federal loan and guarantee program -- that will help rural communities and municipalities financially across the country provide significantly cleaner water for 22 million Americans.

Tomorrow at noon EST, EPA is announcing this effort via national and local press releases.

We would like to give you an opportunity to write about this story, which could publish when the embargo lifts at 6 a.m. EST on July 19.

If you are interested, please let me know at your soonest so I can work in giving you everything that you need in a timely fashion.

I'm available by email and cell.

Thank you for your serious consideration.

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From: Jones.Enesta@epa.gov
Date: July 17, 2017 at 8:09:36 PM EDT
To: "Flesher, John" <jflesher@ap.org>
Subject: Re: PITCH: Billion Dollars To Help Improve Water Quality Across the Country

Hey John,

WIFIA is the first federal credit program for water infrastructure at EPA and this is the inaugural round of projects that have been selected to submit an application. As a federal credit program, it provides long-term, low-cost loans to regionally and nationally significant projects.

The money is borrowed from the Department of Treasury. For each project, EPA uses it WIFIA appropriation to set aside a reserve in case of default. This is similar to how a bank reserves for capital adequacy.

While the program was established approximately 3 years ago, EPA received its first appropriation to make WIFIA loans in December 10, 2016 ($17 million) and an additional appropriation ($8 million) on May 5, 2017.

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From: "Flesher, John" <jflesher@ap.org>
Date: July 17, 2017 at 8:04:48 PM EDT
To: "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: PITCH: Billion Dollars To Help Improve Water Quality Across the Country

I talked to my editor. He wanted more info that would help us determine whether this rises to the level of a national AP story – who's getting the money, but particularly whether this differs from run-of-the-mill grants/loans that EPA awards, and if so, how. What program does the funding come from, and does it represent an increase? (Or a decrease, for that matter?) What's unique or unusual about it? We typically don't run national stories about routine grants or loans, even those that involve a good bit of money, unless there's some particular news hook. We might run state-level stories, however.

Any details you could offer that might shed light would be appreciated.

Thanks,

John

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Monday, July 17, 2017 7:00 PM
To: Flesher, John
Subject: Re: PITCH: Billion Dollars To Help Improve Water Quality Across the Country

Hi John, any final word? Anything you need from me to pitch it?
On Jul 17, 2017, at 5:54 PM, Flesher, John <jflesher@ap.org> wrote:

Thanks. I'll be back with you ASAP.

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Monday, July 17, 2017 5:49 PM
To: Flesher, John
Subject: Re: PITCH: Billion Dollars To Help Improve Water Quality Across the Country

John,

Close hold: We have selected entities in 9 states -- and borrowers will receive loans ranging from $22 to $625 million. Rural, urban and environmental justice communities will benefit.

On Jul 17, 2017, at 5:46 PM, Flesher, John <jflesher@ap.org> wrote:

I'm sorry, he's been on a project deadline for some time. We're supposed to talk yet today. (He's on the West Coast, so there's a time lag.) Is there any additional information you could provide that I could share with him when we talk?

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Monday, July 17, 2017 5:44 PM
To: Flesher, John
Subject: Re: PITCH: Billion Dollars To Help Improve Water Quality Across the Country

Hi John,

Any response from your editor?

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On Jul 17, 2017, at 2:17 PM, Flesher, John <jflesher@ap.org> wrote:

Hello, Enesta –

Thanks for contacting me. Let me check with editors. Will be back shortly.

John

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Monday, July 17, 2017 1:40 PM
To: Flesher, John
Cc: Jones, Enesta; Lynn, Tricia
Subject: PITCH: Billion Dollars To Help Improve Water Quality Across the Country

Hi John,

Hope you are well.

I know you cover all things water so I am reaching out to pitch you a story about water infrastructure that will resonate with your readers. There is an EPA effort underway -- specifically a federal loan and guarantee program -- that will help rural communities and municipalities financially across the country provide significantly cleaner water for 22 million Americans.

On Wednesday, July 19, EPA is announcing this effort via national and local press releases.

We would like to give you an opportunity to write about this story, which could publish when the embargo lifts at 6 a.m. EST on July 19. **At this point, it would be an embargoed exclusive.**

If you are interested, please let me know at your soonest so I can work in giving you everything that you need in a timely fashion.

I'm available by email and cell.

Thank you for your serious consideration,
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Sent: 7/17/2019 7:46:42 PM
To: Labbe, Ken [Labbe.Ken@epa.gov]
CC: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
Subject: Fwd: Reuters Inquiry: Confidentiality in Civil Litigation and Impact on Government Oversight

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From: "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Date: July 17, 2019 at 1:57:44 PM EDT
To: "Dowdell, Jaimi L. (Reuters)" <Jaimi.Dowdell@thomsonreuters.com>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Reuters Inquiry: Confidentiality in Civil Litigation and Impact on Government Oversight

Thanks, Jaimi,

Someone should be following up with you very shortly.

Cheers, R.

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From: Dowdell, Jaimi L. (Reuters) <Jaimi.Dowdell@thomsonreuters.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 17, 2019 1:44 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Reuters Inquiry: Confidentiality in Civil Litigation and Impact on Government Oversight

Hi, Robert. Just following up with you on this. I look forward to hearing from you.
Thanks,
Jaimi

From: Dowdell, Jaimi L. (Reuters)
Sent: Monday, July 08, 2019 2:46 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>; Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Reuters Inquiry: Confidentiality in Civil Litigation and Impact on Government Oversight

Hi, Robert and Tricia.
I reached out to you last year for a survey we're conducting to get a better sense of how U.S. departments and agencies handle common confidentiality provisions in civil litigation. As a reminder, we've been conducting research on private civil litigation and how it impacts the federal government as part of a Reuters series on court secrecy. Over the course of our research we've learned that the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and the Consumer Product Safety

Commission have issued guidance regarding these issues. We're now updating the survey. I've included our previous conversation below as a reminder of what we discussed. Please answer the questions below by Wednesday, July 24th. If you are not the best contact, could you please put me in touch with the proper person? Please let me know if you have any questions.
Kind regards,
Jaimi

Questions:
1) Does the EPA have any guidance or policies regarding the use of protective orders, sealing and settlement agreements in private civil litigation? For example, does the EPA encourage the courts and parties in litigation to include a provision in protective orders and settlement agreements that allows dissemination of information to the EPA? If so, has the guidance/policy been published? When did it take effect? Can we get a copy of, or a link to the guidance/policy?

2) More generally, how does the EPA typically interact with litigation that could have an impact on the work of the EPA and its responsibilities?

3) In the past 10 years, has the EPA intervened in civil litigation to attempt to obtain information? If so, please describe the litigation and the information the EPA was attempting to obtain. Was the EPA successful in the intervention?

4) In the past 10 years, has the EPA taken any action based, at least in part, on documents/data that the EPA first became aware of due to civil litigation? If so, please provide some basic information on each instance including the name of the scrutinized party and/or related investigations opened, any other government action taken and the relevant dates associated with such actions.

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From: Dowdell, Jaimi L. (Reuters)
Sent: Friday, August 10, 2018 2:28 PM
To: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Subject: FW: Subject: Reporter inquiry: Survey on civil litigation

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From: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Sent: Friday, August 10, 2018 1:29 PM
To: Dowdell, Jaimi L. (Reuters) <Jaimi.Dowdell@thomsonreuters.com>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Subject: Reporter inquiry: Survey on civil litigation

Jaimi, for attribution to "an EPA Spokesperson," please:

"We are not aware of any such civil litigation guidance or policy for the EPA

EPA filings with a court within the context of private civil litigation case where EPA is not a party would be a public record. For instance, if DOJ were to file a motion to intervene on behalf of EPA, that motion would be on record with the court. You should be able to access any such motions with a court record search.

Though the timeframe of this request spans more than a decade and EPA has not conducted an exhaustive search of all its records, EPA does not believe that it has taken regulatory action since 2006 based, even in part, on information gathered during civil litigation relating to a recalled product."

Cheers, R.

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From: Dowdell, Jaimi L. (Reuters) [mailto:Jaimi.Dowdell@thomsonreuters.com]
Sent: Friday, August 10, 2018 1:17 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Subject: Reporter inquiry: Survey on civil litigation

Thanks to you both!

From: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Sent: Friday, August 10, 2018 10:10 AM
To: Dowdell, Jaimi L. (Reuters) <Jaimi.Dowdell@thomsonreuters.com>
Cc: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Subject: Reporter inquiry: Survey on civil litigation

Good afternoon Jaimi. We're hoping to have something for you today.

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On Aug 10, 2018, at 12:21 PM, Dowdell, Jaimi L. (Reuters) <Jaimi.Dowdell@thomsonreuters.com> wrote:

> Hi, Robert and Tricia. Thanks for chatting with me Monday. I just wanted to check in with you on this.
> Thanks again,
> Jaimi
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> **From:** Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
> **Sent:** Monday, August 06, 2018 7:26 AM
> **To:** Dowdell, Jaimi L. (Reuters) <Jaimi.Dowdell@thomsonreuters.com>
> **Cc:** Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** RE: Subject: Reporter inquiry: Survey on civil litigation
>
> That's a worldwide media organization for you.

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Sent: Monday, August 06, 2018 10:22 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Subject: Reporter inquiry: Survey on civil litigation

Yes, but I live in California. It's complicated, haha. I live in California, my team is in New York and I have a St. Louis phone number. ☺

From: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Sent: Monday, August 06, 2018 7:19 AM
To: Dowdell, Jaimi L. (Reuters) <Jaimi.Dowdell@thomsonreuters.com>
Cc: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Subject: Reporter inquiry: Survey on civil litigation

314. That's St. Louis, correct?

Cheers, R.

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Subject: Re: Subject: Reporter inquiry: Survey on civil litigation

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From: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Sent: Monday, August 6, 2018 7:11:03 AM
To: Dowdell, Jaimi L. (Reuters)
Cc: Lynn, Tricia
Subject: RE: Subject: Reporter inquiry: Survey on civil litigation

You know what? We can talk at 10:30 Eastern after all. At what number can I reach you?

Cheers, R.

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From: Dowdell, Jaimi L. (Reuters) [mailto:Jaimi.Dowdell@thomsonreuters.com]
Sent: Monday, August 06, 2018 10:08 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Subject: Reporter inquiry: Survey on civil litigation

Hi Robert,
I thought you meant you wanted to talk this morning. The story won't be published right away so there is some time on that end.
Thanks,
Jaimi

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From: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Sent: Monday, August 6, 2018 6:29:22 AM
To: Dowdell, Jaimi L. (Reuters)
Cc: Lynn, Tricia
Subject: RE: Subject: Reporter inquiry: Survey on civil litigation

Good morning Jaimi and thanks for this. 10:30 might prove a little tight, but we'll try updating you later in the day.

Bottom line, what's the very latest you can accept a response from us? When are you planning on publishing your story?

Cheers, R.

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From: Dowdell, Jaimi L. (Reuters) [mailto:Jaimi.Dowdell@thomsonreuters.com]
Sent: Friday, August 03, 2018 5:39 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Subject: Reporter inquiry: Survey on civil litigation

Hi, Robert. Sorry I missed your call today. It's late in DC so I understand if you don't want to talk today. But I could chat with you Monday morning. I'm in California so I'd be willing to talk as early as 10:30 a.m. Eastern. Would that work? I have another call at noon Eastern but am free much of the rest of the day.
Thanks much,
Jaimi

From: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Sent: Friday, August 03, 2018 1:25 PM
To: Dowdell, Jaimi L. (Reuters) <Jaimi.Dowdell@thomsonreuters.com>
Cc: Lynn, Tricia <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Subject: Reporter inquiry: Survey on civil litigation

Ms. Dowdell, my colleague Tricia is out today and I don't think we'll be able to get back to you before close of business. Perhaps you could still accept a response from us early next week?

I left you a voicemail not long ago. Let me know if you have time to chat this afternoon or first thing Monday morning.

Cheers, R.

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From: Dowdell, Jaimi L. (Reuters)
Sent: Wednesday, July 18, 2018 8:35 AM
To: 'lynn.tricia@epa.gov' <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Reporter inquiry: Survey on civil litigation

Ms. Lynn,
My name is Jaimi Dowdell and I'm a reporter with Reuters. We've been doing some research into private civil litigation and how it impacts the regulatory process. As part of that, we're conducting a survey of federal regulatory agencies. Please answer the questions below by Friday, August 3. If you are not the best contact, could you please put me in touch with the proper person? Please let me know if you have any questions.
Kind regards,
Jaimi

Questions:
1) Does the EPA have any guidance or policies regarding the use of protective orders, sealing and settlement agreements in private civil litigation? For example, does the EPA encourage the courts and parties in litigation to include a provision in protective orders and settlement agreements that allows dissemination of public-safety related information to the EPA? If so, has the guidance/policy been published? When did it take effect? Can we get a copy of, or a link to the guidance/policy?

2) More generally, how does the EPA typically interact with safety litigation that could have an impact on the work of the EPA and its regulatory responsibilities?

3) Since 2006, has the EPA intervened in civil litigation to attempt to obtain information? If so, please describe the litigation and the information the EPA was attempting to obtain. If Was the EPA successful in the intervention?

4) Since 2006, has the EPA taken any regulatory action based, at least in part, on documents/data that the EPA first became aware of due to civil litigation? If so, please provide some basic information on each instance including the name of the sanctioned party and/or recalled product and date.

Jaimi Dowdell
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Message

From: Jones, Enesta [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=65B8E6C6E5CA4A7A9AE85D98A4C8EEDB-EJONES02]
Sent: 12/21/2017 7:40:15 PM
To: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Subject: ROBERT: Press request on C2P2

Two incomings on House letter re: Superfund.

You got all of OLEM today?

Want to be sure so no fruit is left hanging.

On Dec 21, 2017, at 11:49 AM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

I'll handle.

From: David LaRoss [mailto:dlaross@iwpnews.com]
Sent: Thursday, December 21, 2017 10:41 AM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Re: Press request on C2P2

I'm forwarding this request to the general press mailbox as Tricia is out of the office. Thanks for your help!

-------- Forwarded Message --------
Subject: Re: Press request on C2P2
Date: Thu, 21 Dec 2017 10:35:24 -0500
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Tricia -

Thanks! I've updated the story, but would also like to follow up if I could -- what action or report does EPA see as addressing the second IG recommendation? Is it part of the RCRA coal ash rule?

David LaRoss
Inside EPA
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On 12/20/2017 4:11 PM, Lynn, Tricia wrote:

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For attribution to "an EPA spokesperson:"

The Agency appreciates working with stakeholders on the responsible beneficial use of CCR, as well as other non-hazardous industrial secondary materials. We fully addressed the concerns that had been raised by EPA's IG. The Agency has not made a decision to revive the Coal Combustion Products Partnership (C2P2) Program.

Best,

Tricia

Tricia Lynn
Office of Public Affairs
U.S. EPA
Office: 202.564.2615

From: David LaRoss [mailto:dlaross@iwpnews.com]
Sent: Tuesday, December 19, 2017 1:09 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Press request on C2P2

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Message

From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/27/2017 3:35:07 PM
To: Markham Heid [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
Subject: Re: Media Request from PREVENTION

Thanks.

Enesta Jones
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Office: 202.564.7873
Cell: [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]

"The root of all joy is gratefulness."

On Jul 27, 2017, at 11:02 AM, Markham Heid <[Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]> wrote:

Of course, will do

On Thu, Jul 27, 2017 at 10:37 AM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:
Can you please just use an EPA spokesperson?

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On Jul 27, 2017, at 10:36 AM, Markham Heid <[Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]> wrote:

No, I'm just asking for clarification.

On Thu, Jul 27, 2017 at 10:32 AM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:
Markham,

Must you have a name?

Enesta Jones
U.S. EPA
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Cell: [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]

"The root of all joy is gratefulness."

On Jul 27, 2017, at 10:26 AM, Markham Heid <[Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]> wrote:

Hi Enesta,

Thank you very much for these statements. For attribution, can I add a person's name (yours?) along with EPA spokesperson? Or is "EPA spokesperson" as specific as I can get here?

Thanks again,
Markham

On Thu, Jul 27, 2017 at 10:20 AM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Markham,

Attributable to an EPA spokesperson:

America's drinking water remains among the safest in the world and protecting drinking water is one of EPA's top priorities. We take our commitment to protecting public health seriously and when issues arise, we work closely with states, local governments, and water suppliers to review and address, as appropriate.

Background

More than 90 percent of the country's drinking water systems meet all of EPA's health-based drinking water standards every day throughout the year.

EPA has set drinking water standards for more than 90 contaminants, including microorganisms, disinfectants, disinfection byproducts, inorganic and organic chemicals, and radionuclides.

Public water systems are required to report drinking water data to EPA, which is made available to the public in the Safe Drinking Water Information System (SDWIS). Data collected in SDWIS includes public water system characteristics, violation and enforcement information. Additionally, every five years, EPA also collects data for certain unregulated contaminants through the Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule. This data is provided to utilities and can be found in EPA's National Occurrence Database.

Citizens who are concerned about their drinking water and who are served by a public water system can contact their local water supplier and ask for information on contaminants in their drinking water. They are also encouraged to request a copy of their Consumer Confidence Report. This report lists the levels of contaminants that have been detected in the water, including those by EPA, and whether the system meets state and EPA drinking water standards.

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From: Markham Heid [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
Sent: Thursday, July 27, 2017 10:15 AM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Subject: Media Request from PREVENTION

Dear Enesta Jones,

I write for Prevention, and I'm working on a story about the EWG's recent report on U.S. tap water contaminants. I'm hoping for comment from someone at EPA.

Because this is breaking news, I'm working on a tight deadline. I'd need to hear back from you today in order to include the EPA's reaction. I'm very sorry for the hurry. Specifically, I'd like a reply to EWG claims that many EPA safety limits are too high to be effective, and the criticism that no new contaminants have been added to the EPA's list of regulated tap water contaminants since 1996.

I'd really like to include EPA's response to all this. Thank you,

Markham Heid

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Sent: 12/21/2017 3:44:05 PM
To: AO OPA Media Relations [AO_OPA_Media_Relations@epa.gov]
Subject: OMR: Re: Press request on C2P2

My bad. I'm not handling OLEM today.

From: David LaRoss [mailto:dlaross@iwpnews.com]
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Sent: 12/21/2017 3:43:00 PM
To: David LaRoss [dlaross@iwpnews.com]
Subject: Re: Press request on C2P2

Checking, David.

On Dec 21, 2017, at 10:42 AM, David LaRoss <dlaross@iwpnews.com> wrote:

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Sent: 6/27/2019 4:21:46 PM
To: Press [Press@epa.gov]
Subject: Fwd: media request: looking for attribution for quotes in a FedTech article

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) ?

Begin forwarded message:

Resent-From: <Press@epa.gov>
From: Elizabeth Neus <elizabeth.neus@manifest.com>
Date: June 27, 2019 at 12:20:36 PM EDT
To: "Jones, Enesta" <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Cc: "Labbe, Ken" <Labbe.Ken@epa.gov>, Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: media request: looking for attribution for quotes in a FedTech article

Good afternoon! I was just wondering if you'd found someone to whom we can attribute the quotes in this FedTech story. If not, we can work with using Michael's name instead; just let me know.

betsy

On Thu, Jun 13, 2019 at 4:48 PM Elizabeth Neus <elizabeth.neus@manifest.com> wrote:
Thank you so much!

On Thu, Jun 13, 2019 at 4:45 PM Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:
Checking, Elizabeth.

On Jun 13, 2019, at 4:40 PM, Elizabeth Neus <elizabeth.neus@manifest.com> wrote:

Good afternoon.

I am Jacquelyn Bengfort's editor at FedTech magazine, and she's written an article for me on the EPA's use of storage area networks. She's quoted spokesperson Michael Abboud extensively, but my boss has asked if there's any way we could get an actual IT official on the record. If anyone's willing to just put their name on Michael's quotes, that's fine, especially since Michael provided exactly what we needed. Here's the segment of the article in which he's quoted:

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In 2013, the EPA moved its entire workforce — at the time, more than 18,000 employees and contractors — to the cloud for email and collaboration. The agency has continued to move additional functions and data to the cloud.

"The EPA is fully engaged in an agency-wide campaign to migrate end user data to OneDrive and shared file storage," says Michael Abboud, an EPA spokesperson. "The cloud platform minimizes storage cost and complexity while maximizing accessibility, availability, integrity, security, records management and discovery capabilities."

SANs still remain an important part of the IT mix at the EPA, however. While the agency is working

to limit SAN growth, it still needs this sort of data storage for certain applications. Abboud shares one example: "EPA's National Computing Center in Research Triangle Park, N.C., recently extended its SAN infrastructure and software to ensure 'hot' data is on the fastest physical tier."

The EPA's Office of Research and Development (ORD) likewise continues to use SANs to meet information security requirements and support specialized workloads for scientific data at its 13 facilities.

These SANs need to support isolated and interconnected networks, says Abboud.

"Faced with the challenge of refreshing SAN storage for several of these locations, EPA's ORD disk subsystems managed using virtual SAN software," explains Abboud. "This solution provided an integrated, cost-efficient, high-performance SAN solution for distributed research laboratories.

"EPA's private and hybrid cloud platforms will continue to have significant storage area network investments," he adds.

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Please let us know as soon as possible if there's any IT official to whom we can attribute this material, and also let us know if there's anything in the content that might need to be changed.

thank you!
betsy
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Elizabeth Neus
Senior Editor
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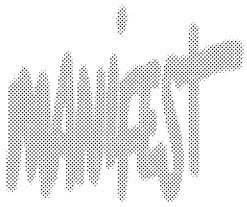
D.C. Studio



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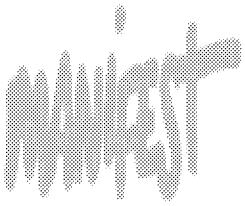

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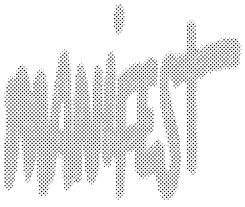

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Message

From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/19/2017 2:32:54 PM
To: Flesher, John [jflesher@ap.org]
Subject: Re: PITCH: Billion Dollars To Help Improve Water Quality Across the Country

Here you go, John. Thanks!

EPA Selects 12 Projects to Apply for Water Infrastructure Loans
Loans will help improve water quality for 20 million Americansin rural, urban communities

WASHINGTON – The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is inviting 12 projects in nine states to apply for Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) loans. These potential applicants were selected from a group of projects that represent large and small communities from across the United States that submitted letters of interest to EPA in April 2017.

In FY2017, the WIFIA program received $25 million in funding, including an additional $8 million in the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2017 that President Donald Trump signed into law on May 5, 2017. This year's projects will also leverage more than a billion dollars in private capital and other funding sources including EPA's State Revolving Fund (SRF) loans, to help finance a total of $5.1 billion in water infrastructure investments. The selected projects demonstrate the broad range of project types that the WIFIA program can finance including wastewater, drinking water, stormwater, and water recycling projects.

"Rebuilding America's infrastructure is a critical pillar of the President's agenda," said EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt. "These large-scale projects will improve water quality for 20 million Americans, especially those communities that need it the most – such as rural and urban communities."

EPA received 43 letters of interest from both public and private entities in response to the 2017 WIFIA Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA). After a robust, statutorily required reviewprocess, the WIFIA Selection Committee chose the following 12prospective borrowers projects to submit applications for loans:

1. Miami-Dade County, Florida - Ocean Outfall Discharge Reduction and Resiliency Enhancement Project.
2. San Francisco Public Utilities Commission, California - Southeast Water Pollution Control Plant Biosolids Digester Facilities Project.
3. Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District, Missouri - Deer Creek Sanitary Tunnel and Sanitary Relief.
4. City of Omaha, Nebraska - Saddle Creek Combined Sewer Overflow Retention Treatment Basin.
5. Orange County Water District, California - Groundwater Replenishment System Final Expansion.
6. City of San Diego, California - Pure Water San Diego.
7. Indiana Finance Authority, Indiana - Indiana Finance Authority FY 2017.
8. King County, Washington - Georgetown Wet Weather Treatment Station.
9. Baltimore City Department of Public Works, Maryland - Comprehensive Infrastructure Repair, Rehabilitation and Replacement Program.
10. Maine Water Company, Maine - Saco River Water Treatment Facility. (*Private*)
11. City of Morro Bay, California - Water Reclamation Facility Project. (*Small Community*)
12. City of Oak Ridge, Tennessee - Water Treatment Plant Design and Construction.

The Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act established by Congress in 2014 requires EPA to follow a selection framework that includes an assessment of letters of interest by performing an eligibility screening, a preliminary creditworthiness assessment, and an evaluation of the selection criteria. The WIFIA program selection criteria and respective weights are available in the WIFIA Handbook (Appendix C, page 53).

Established by the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act of 2014, the WIFIA program is a new federal loan and guarantee program at EPA that aims to accelerate investment in our nation's water infrastructure by providing long-term, low-cost supplemental credit assistance for regionally and nationally significant projects. The WIFIA program's funding in President Trump's FY18 budget is $20 million, an amount that should fund approximately $1 billion in loans. For more information about the WIFIA program, visit: https://www.epa.gov/wifia

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On Jul 19, 2017, at 10:29 AM, Flesher, John <jflesher@ap.org> wrote:

Hi – my instructions were to pass on this. But if you send the release along, I'll run it up the flagpole and see what reaction I get.

John

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 19, 2017 7:33 AM
To: Flesher, John
Subject: Re: PITCH: Billion Dollars To Help Improve Water Quality Across the Country

Hi John,

If I get you the embargoed press release now, will you write up something and get it out before noon EST?
On Jul 18, 2017, at 4:01 PM, Flesher, John <jflesher@ap.org> wrote:

Will do. Thanks.

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 18, 2017 3:49 PM
To: Flesher, John
Subject: Re: PITCH: Billion Dollars To Help Improve Water Quality Across the Country

Hi John,

If anything changes, just shoot me an email or call my cell. I'm around. Thanks.

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On Jul 18, 2017, at 1:33 PM, Flesher, John <jflesher@ap.org> wrote:

Enesta – I'm sorry, still no answer. I don't want to keep you hanging, and, frankly, my editor wasn't too enthused about this when we talked last night. So maybe I should just go ahead and take a pass. We may end up doing something when your release comes out, but for now the answer seems to be no. Apologies for taking so long, and I do appreciate your running it past me.

John

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 18, 2017 1:26 PM
To: Flesher, John
Subject: Re: PITCH: Billion Dollars To Help Improve Water Quality Across the Country

Hey John,

Any word?
On Jul 18, 2017, at 9:44 AM, Flesher, John <jflesher@ap.org> wrote:

Hi, Enesta. I forwarded the material you sent and am awaiting word. Shouldn't be too long.

From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 18, 2017 7:43 AM
To: Flesher, John
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Good day, John,

Have we reached a decision yet?

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On Jul 17, 2017, at 8:06 PM, Flesher, John <jflesher@ap.org> wrote:

I talked to my editor. He wanted more info that would help us determine whether this rises to the level of a national AP story – who's getting the money, but particularly whether this differs from run-of-the-mill grants/loans that EPA awards, and if so, how. What program does the funding come from, and does it represent an increase? (Or a decrease, for that matter?) What's unique or unusual about it? We typically don't run national stories about routine grants or loans, even

those that involve a good bit of money, unless there's some particular news hook. We might run state-level stories, however.

Any details you could offer that might shed light would be appreciated.

Thanks,

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Hi John, any final word? Anything you need from me to pitch it?
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I'm available by email and cell.

Thank you for your serious consideration,
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Sent: 12/20/2017 4:41:19 PM
To: Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]
CC: AO OPA Media Relations [AO_OPA_Media_Relations@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Jahan just came by

Too funny! Sean was just being diligent in asking for attribution. We good.

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From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
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> Good to have everything by 8 p.m. or so. Thanks!
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Date: Monday, July 17, 2017 at 2:16 PM
To: Anthony Adragna <aadragna@politico.com>
Cc: "Lynn, Tricia" <lynn.tricia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: PITCH: EPA Announces Projects to Apply for Water Infrastructure Loans on July 19

What's the latest I can get them to you tomorrow? What are your hours these days?

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Subject: PITCH: EPA Announces Projects to Apply for Water Infrastructure Loans on July 19

Hi Anthony,

Hope your summer is going well.

These loans will help improve water quality for 20 million Americansin rural, urban communities.

Can we get this in ME on Wednesday? I'll get you the 10 plus entities who we have selected to apply late tomorrow --- and anything else you need. We won't formally announce until noon on July 19.

Please let me know -- and thanks, as always.

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Sent: 1/16/2018 12:11:30 AM
To: Strauss, Linda [Strauss.Linda@epa.gov]
CC: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]; Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Subject: LINDA: Question re: chlorpyrifos label

Linda, the reporter has two follow-up questions below in **bold.**

From: "Block, Molly" <block.molly@epa.gov>
Date: January 11, 2018 at 4:44:20 PM EST
To: "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>, Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Question re: chlorpyrifos label

Thanks! Let's **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Thursday, January 11, 2018 4:43 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Question re: chlorpyrifos label

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)?

From: Anna Casey [mailto:annacasey@investigatemidwest.org]
Sent: Thursday, January 11, 2018 4:39 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Question re: chlorpyrifos label

Thank you for the your timely response.

I have just two follow up questions.

Regarding the buffer zone - an EPA document titled "Revised Human Health Risk Assessment" from November 3, 2016 stated the following:

Non-Occupational Spray Drift Exposure and Risk Assessment

A spray drift (from treatment of agricultural fields) assessment was conducted for this assessment. Adult dermal and children's (1 < 2 year old) dermal and incidental oral risk estimates from indirect exposure to chlorpyrifos from spray drift result in risk estimates of concern at the field edge. All scenarios require buffer distances of > 300 feet to be below the level of concern.

I'm assuming that since the recommendations in the risk assessment were not adopted, the buffer on the label remained the same. Could you provide any more information about how the E.P.A arrived at the 10 - 100 foot buffer?

And finally, did the E.P.A reference any specific studies that contradicted the conclusions made in the proposal about chlorpyrifos?

Sincerely,

Anna

On Wed, Jan 10, 2018 at 4:45 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Anna, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

"EPA is confident that pesticide application buffer zones are protective of human health and the environment, especially with regard to sensitive areas." – EPA spokesperson.

Background: The minimum buffer is 10 feet, but there are larger buffers for some aerial and airblast applications.

Chlorpyrifos has been used as a pesticide since 1965, and is proven to be an effective control of foliage- and soil-borne insect pests for a variety of crops including corn, soybeans, fruit and nut trees, and non-agricultural uses including golf courses, and roach and ant bait stations. Congress has mandated that registration review be completed by the statutory deadline of October 1, 2022. The public record lays out serious scientific concerns and substantive process gaps in the proposal submitted in the petition to ban the pesticide. Reliable data, overwhelming in both quantity and quality, contradicts the reliance on – and misapplication of – studies to establish the end points and conclusions used to rationalize the proposal

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On Jan 4, 2018, at 2:40 PM, Anna Casey <annacasey@investigatemidwest.org> wrote:

Hi Mr. Daguillard,

Thank you for the prompt response. We're hoping to publish the story early next week.

As I mentioned, I'm seeking more information on the chlorpyrifos label.

The story that I'm working on is related to buffer zone regulations around schools. In Illinois, where we're based, we do not have any additional restrictions beyond what is on the EPA-approved label. It's my understanding that the buffer on the chlorpyrifos label is 10 feet. Some are concerned that the label does not go far enough to protect sensitive areas (like schools) that are near agricultural fields. I would like to include a statement from the EPA regarding the chemical's safety, and the efficacy of the label.

Feel free to give me a call at your earliest convenience, or respond by email. I'm happy to answer additional questions by phone (my cell is the best way to reach me).

Thanks again,

Anna

On Thu, Jan 4, 2018 at 12:49 PM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Dear Ms. Casey,

Thanks for reaching out. Also, are you on deadline? Happy to discuss.

Regards, R.

Robert Daguillard

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From: Anna Casey [mailto:annacasey@investigatemidwest.org]
Sent: Thursday, January 04, 2018 1:12 PM
To: Friedman, Dana <Friedman.Dana@epa.gov>
Subject: Question re: chlorpyrifos label

Hi Ms. Friedman,

I saw that you were listed as the contact for the page on chlorpyrifos: https://iaspub.epa.gov/apex/pesticides/f?p=CHEMICALSEARCH:3::NO:1,3,31,7,12,25:P3_XCHEMICAL_ID:1822

Do you know where I can find the most recent EPA-approved label? I was also wondering about the buffer zone restriction. One of the product labels said that the buffer zone around "sensitive areas" was 10 feet. Is that correct?

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To: Flesher, John

Cc: Jones, Enesta; Lynn, Tricia
Subject: PITCH: Billion Dollars To Help Improve Water Quality Across the Country

Hi John,

Hope you are well.

I know you cover all things water so I am reaching out to pitch you a story about water infrastructure that will resonate with your readers. There is an EPA effort underway -- specifically a federal loan and guarantee program -- that will help rural communities and municipalities financially across the country provide significantly cleaner water for 22 million Americans.

On Wednesday, July 19, EPA is announcing this effort via national and local press releases.

We would like to give you an opportunity to write about this story, which could publish when the embargo lifts at 6 a.m. EST on July 19. **At this point, it would be an embargoed exclusive.**

If you are interested, please let me know at your soonest so I can work in giving you everything that you need in a timely fashion.

I'm available by email and cell.

Thank you for your serious consideration,
Enesta

Enesta Jones
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Appointment

From: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]
Sent: 11/20/2018 8:34:03 PM
To: Davis, Alison [Davis.Alison@epa.gov]; Woods, Clint [woods.clint@epa.gov]; Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]

Subject: Call to discuss press strategy for Willowbrook community meeting on November 29
Location: Call in #: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) Code Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Start: 11/20/2018 10:30:00 PM
End: 11/20/2018 11:00:00 PM
Show Time As: Tentative

Appointment

From: Konkus, John [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=555471B2BAA6419E8E141696F4577062-KONKUS, JOH]
Sent: 11/20/2018 8:34:50 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]

Subject: Accepted: Call to discuss press strategy for Willowbrook community meeting on November 29
Location: Call in #: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) Code: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Start: 11/20/2018 10:30:00 PM
End: 11/20/2018 11:00:00 PM
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Sent: 11/20/2018 8:34:05 PM
To: Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Davis, Alison [Davis.Alison@epa.gov]; Woods, Clint [woods.clint@epa.gov]; Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]

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Sent: 1/29/2019 5:16:54 PM
To: Dunn, Alexandra [dunn.alexandra@epa.gov]

Subject: Accepted: Talk through press strategy
Location: WJCE 3130A

Start: 1/30/2019 6:15:00 PM
End: 1/30/2019 6:45:00 PM
Show Time As: Busy

Message

From: abboud.michael@epa.gov [abboud.michael@epa.gov]
Sent: 9/9/2019 3:33:33 PM
To: Brazauskas, Joseph [brazauskas.joseph@epa.gov]
CC: Schiermeyer, Corry [schiermeyer.corry@epa.gov]; McFaul, Jessica [mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: EPA Administrator Chattanooga Event

Thanks Joe, we will drop it in the release.

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 9, 2019, at 10:31 AM, Brazauskas, Joseph <brazauskas.joseph@epa.gov> wrote:

Joseph A. Brazauskas
Acting Associate Administrator
Office of Congressional & Intergovernmental Relations
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From: Lovett, Kasey <Kasey.Lovett@mail.house.gov>
Sent: Monday, September 9, 2019 11:30 AM
To: Kolb, John (JohnMark) <kolb.john@epa.gov>; Howell, Steven <Steven.Howell@mail.house.gov>; McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>
Cc: Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>; Brazauskas, Joseph <brazauskas.joseph@epa.gov>; Jenkins, Brandi <Jenkins.Brandi@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: EPA Administrator Chattanooga Event

Hi JohnMark-

See below for statement from Congressman Fleischmann. Let me know if I am ok to pull the Administrator's quote to use in our release as well.

"The Southside Superfund site is the perfect location to welcome Administrator Wheeler and highlight the positive impact of the Superfund Task Force," **said Congressman Fleischmann**. "The EPA's ongoing success in Chattanooga is a testament to their ability to deploy Superfund resources to remediate contaminated sites, protect the health and wellbeing of our communities, and revitalize previously underutilized hubs of economic potential. I am thankful that Southside was added to the National Priorities List and that EPA officials continue to prioritize the safety of area residents. As East Tennessee expands and attracts further economic investments, I thank Administrator Wheeler and the expertise of EPA officials for the work they have done to advance the prosperity of our region."

Let me know if you need anything else from me!

Kasey L. Lovett
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From: Kolb, John (JohnMark) <kolb.john@epa.gov>
Sent: Saturday, September 7, 2019 10:13 AM
To: Lovett, Kasey <Kasey.Lovett@mail.house.gov>; Howell, Steven <Steven.Howell@mail.house.gov>; McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>
Cc: Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>; Brazauskas, Joseph <brazauskas.joseph@epa.gov>; Jenkins, Brandi <Jenkins.Brandi@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: EPA Administrator Chattanooga Event

Kasey – apologies on the delay here – attached is a draft press release. Will defer to Jess on timing but if you can get a quote to us by Monday morning before the event that would be great so we can go live as soon as it's over.

Steven – below is time and location. Brandi please let Steven know if this has changed.

- **Date:** Monday, September 9
- **Where:** Charles A. Bell Park (3501 Central Avenue, Chattanooga, TN; Southside Chattanooga Superfund Site)
- **Time:** 12:15 – 1:00 pm (EDT)

Thanks!

JohnMark Kolb
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C: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

From: Kolb, John (JohnMark)
Sent: Friday, September 6, 2019 5:58 PM
To: Lovett, Kasey <Kasey.Lovett@mail.house.gov>; Howell, Steven <Steven.Howell@mail.house.gov>; McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>
Cc: Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>; Brazauskas, Joseph <brazauskas.joseph@epa.gov>; Jenkins, Brandi <Jenkins.Brandi@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: EPA Administrator Chattanooga Event

Steven,

Great chatting – looping in Brandi who has details on the event. Jess – as soon as you have a draft release, please send it over so we can give them comms team time.

Thanks!

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From: Kolb, John (JohnMark)
Sent: Friday, September 6, 2019 4:36 PM
To: Lovett, Kasey <Kasey.Lovett@mail.house.gov>; Howell, Steven <Steven.Howell@mail.house.gov>; McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>

Cc: Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>; Brazauskas, Joseph <brazauskas.joseph@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: EPA Administrator Chattanooga Event

Kasey and Steven – happy to chat. Am free now.

Also, we have a draft release coming your way shortly for more context.

From: Lovett, Kasey <Kasey.Lovett@mail.house.gov>
Sent: Friday, September 6, 2019 2:30 PM
To: Howell, Steven <Steven.Howell@mail.house.gov>; Kolb, John (JohnMark) <kolb.john@epa.gov>; McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>
Cc: Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>; Brazauskas, Joseph <brazauskas.joseph@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: EPA Administrator Chattanooga Event

Hi JohnMark,

One more request from the Congressman that just came in – in light of his absence, would he be able to speak with the Administrator for a quick call on Monday or sometime this coming week? I believe he has something he would like to discuss. Please let me know, thank so much.

From: Howell, Steven <Steven.Howell@mail.house.gov>
Sent: Friday, September 6, 2019 2:19 PM
To: Lovett, Kasey <Kasey.Lovett@mail.house.gov>; Kolb, John (JohnMark) <kolb.john@epa.gov>; McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>
Cc: Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>; Brazauskas, Joseph <brazauskas.joseph@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: EPA Administrator Chattanooga Event

Thank you, Kasey.

JohnMark, we are back in the office. Is there some chance we can catch up this afternoon?

From: Lovett, Kasey <Kasey.Lovett@mail.house.gov>
Sent: Friday, September 06, 2019 12:35 PM
To: Kolb, John (JohnMark) <kolb.john@epa.gov>; McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>
Cc: Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>; Brazauskas, Joseph <brazauskas.joseph@epa.gov>; Howell, Steven <Steven.Howell@mail.house.gov>
Subject: RE: EPA Administrator Chattanooga Event

Hi JohnMark-

Using this email chain for ease but I have added Steve Howell (cc'd) who is the Congressman's District Director. Let me know if you need anything else for the press release, etc.

From: Kolb, John (JohnMark) <kolb.john@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, September 5, 2019 5:32 PM
To: Lovett, Kasey <Kasey.Lovett@mail.house.gov>; McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>
Cc: Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>; Brazauskas, Joseph <brazauskas.joseph@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: EPA Administrator Chattanooga Event

Kasey,

We are checking on this and will get back to you tomorrow morning. The event will be in the late morning with a hard stop at 1pm.

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From: Lovett, Kasey <Kasey.Lovett@mail.house.gov>
Sent: Thursday, September 5, 2019 4:18 PM
To: McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>; Kolb, John (JohnMark) <kolb.john@epa.gov>
Cc: Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>; Brazauskas, Joseph <brazauskas.joseph@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: EPA Administrator Chattanooga Event

Hi Jessica-

We are still trying (and hoping) that this is feasible with the Congressman's current travel logistics. I am not sure you are the correct POC for this question but it appears that it might only be possible for the Congressman to attend if he is able to fly back with the Administrator to DC? If this can be done, I would love to make it happen.

If the Congressman can attend, he would be more than happy to speak at the event. Please let me know – thanks!

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From: McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, September 5, 2019 3:57 PM
To: Lovett, Kasey <Kasey.Lovett@mail.house.gov>; Kolb, John (JohnMark) <kolb.john@epa.gov>
Cc: Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>; Brazauskas, Joseph <brazauskas.joseph@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: EPA Administrator Chattanooga Event

Hi Kasey,

Are you looking to have the congressman speak at the event? If yes, let me know so we can get the ROS adjusted for the media advisory.

Thanks so much!

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From: Lovett, Kasey <Kasey.Lovett@mail.house.gov>
Sent: Thursday, September 5, 2019 1:15 PM
To: Kolb, John (JohnMark) <kolb.john@epa.gov>
Cc: McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>; Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>; Brazauskas, Joseph <brazauskas.joseph@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: EPA Administrator Chattanooga Event

Thanks JohnMark – really appreciate the heads up and always great chatting with you.

Working on logistics for the Congressman as we speak.

Jess –

Please let me know what you need from me to help make the visit a success.

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From: Kolb, John (JohnMark) <kolb.john@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, September 5, 2019 1:12 PM
To: Lovett, Kasey <Kasey.Lovett@mail.house.gov>
Cc: McFaul, Jessica <mcfaul.jessica@epa.gov>; Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>; Brazauskas, Joseph <brazauskas.joseph@epa.gov>
Subject: EPA Administrator Chattanooga Event

Hey Kasey!

Great catching up with you. Please keep this on very close hold but Administrator Wheeler is going to be in your district on Monday the 9th to announce a Regional Superfund Task Force effort. We are going to be telling a good news story and looks like doing a tour of the site below:

Administrator and RA Event: Southside Chattanooga Lead Site	Chattanooga, TN	9/9	*Highlights early action and addressing human health risks. Administrator can observe current construction work.* 120 miles (2 hours) from Nashville. There is an ongoing removal action in the Highland Park Neighborhood, one of eight residential neighborhoods, addressing residential properties that have lead soil contamination levels exceeding the removal management level of 1,200 parts per million. There is an ongoing remedial design for the residential parcels which is scheduled to be concluded in September 2019 when remedial action will begin on residential properties that have lead soil contamination levels exceeding 360 parts per million, the early action ROD remedial action cleanup level.

Apologies I don't have any more info on the site at the moment but we can coordinate moving forward.

Jess is on our Comms team and can coordinate press with you. Jess – Kasey is Rep. Fleischmann's Comms Director.

Jess do we have a time on the event and a draft release?

Sincerely,

JohnMark Kolb
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Message

From: Rodrick, Christian [rodrick.christian@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/5/2018 5:37:03 PM
To: Bennett, Tate [Bennett.Tate@epa.gov]
CC: Gordon, Stephen [gordon.stephen@epa.gov]; Ringel, Aaron [ringel.aaron@epa.gov]; Lyons, Troy [lyons.troy@epa.gov]; Ferguson, Lincoln [ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov]; Mutter, Andrew [mutter.andrew@epa.gov]; Benevento, Douglas [benevento.douglas@epa.gov]; Abboud, Michael [abboud.michael@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Administrator Pruitt Travel

Thanks for the update. I will do so. Please let me know if any additional changes come up between now and then.

Thanks,

Christian Rodrick

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 5, 2018, at 12:26 PM, Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov> wrote:

> Thanks again. Looks like the start time is getting pushed to 10:45, in case you want to relay to Tipton's folks.
>
> On Jul 5, 2018, at 10:51 AM, Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov> wrote:
>
>> Thanks Tate, Lincoln, attached find a brief bio on the Congressman. Please let me know if you all need anything additional.
>>
>> Thanks,
>>
>> *Christian Rodrick*
>> *Special Assistant*
>> *Congressional Affairs U.S. EPA*
>> *O: (202) 564-4828*
>>
>> ---
>>
>> **From:** Bennett, Tate
>> **Sent:** Thursday, July 5, 2018 9:59 AM
>> **To:** Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>
>> **Cc:** Gordon, Stephen <gordon.stephen@epa.gov>; Ringel, Aaron <ringel.aaron@epa.gov>; Lyons, Troy <lyons.troy@epa.gov>; Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>; Mutter, Andrew <mutter.andrew@epa.gov>; Benevento, Douglas <benevento.douglas@epa.gov>; Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>
>> **Subject:** Re: Administrator Pruitt Travel
>>
>> Thanks for letting us know. The meeting is still at 10:30 so you guys are all set there.
>>
>> Is there a way you could provide a few sentence bio and his photo to us for Lincoln to include in the binder? Could you perhaps also include that Tipton will only be participating in the 10:30 external meeting? Would be a huge help.
>>
>> Adding Doug and Andrew so they can update the line by line with this info.
>>
>> Thank you!

On Jul 5, 2018, at 9:53 AM, Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov> wrote:

Tate,

Wanted to make you aware that I spoke with Agustina in Tipton's office. The congressman is planning on attending so long as the Administrator will still be there for the 10:30 portion of the event.

Please let me know if for some reason the Administrator's plans change so I can update Tipton's office.

Thanks,

Christian Rodrick

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Pardal, Agustina" <Agustina.Pardal@mail.house.gov>
Date: July 3, 2018 at 4:31:46 PM EDT
To: "'Rodrick, Christian'" <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>, "Payne, Liz" <Liz.PayneRitonia@mail.house.gov>
Cc: "Ringel, Aaron" <ringel.aaron@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Administrator Pruitt Travel

Hey Christian,

Thank you for passing this along. Congressman Tipton is very interested in being involved on Friday. However, he has a very tight schedule due to the fire happening in the valley. The Congressman can definitely stop by the Announcement and Discussion at 10:30 a.m. MST. Will the Administrator be present at that?

Best,

Agustina

Agustina Pardal
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From: Rodrick, Christian [mailto:rodrick.christian@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 3, 2018 4:01 PM
To: Pardal, Agustina <Agustina.Pardal@mail.house.gov>; Payne, Liz <Liz.PayneRitonia@mail.house.gov>
Cc: Ringel, Aaron <ringel.aaron@epa.gov>
Subject: Administrator Pruitt Travel

Liz and Agustina,

I wanted to give you a heads up that Administrator Pruitt will be heading to Colorado for a Smelter Site visit on Friday, July 6th. Below are some details on that trip. As we have not publicized the trip yet, we do ask that you keep this information close hold. Additionally, as the attendees have not yet been informed of the Administrator's attendance, we ask that you keep that bit of information especially close hold. Thank you and please let me know if you have any questions we might be able to help with.

NOT FOR PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

Friday, July 6th, 2018

10:35-10:50 am - Announcement and Discussion
217 E Mesa Ave, Pueblo, CO 81006 (EPA Conexs are located behind St Mary's Catholic Church)

Attendees: Doug Benevento, EPA Region 8, Regional Administrator
Governor representative – Simon Tafoya, Senior Director for Policy & Federal Relations
City Council Member – Ed Brown
City Council Assistant City Manager - John Vigil
County Commissioner – Terry Hart
CDPHE Representative – Gary Baughman
Betsy Smidinger, EPR ARA
Sabrina Forrest, Remedial Project Manager
Jasmin Guerra, Community Involvement Coordination
Andrew Mutter, Public Affairs Director

11:00 AM- EPA D.C. Staff Depart

1:30- 3:30 PM- OPTIONAL Availability Discussion with the Regional Admin
EPA RA Availably session (Community and media invited)
Attendees: Doug Benevento, EPA Region 8, Regional Administrator
Betsy Smidinger, EPR ARA

Sabrina Forrest, Remedial Project Manager (Leading Tour)
Jasmin Guerra, Andrew Mutter

Day of POC's on the ground: Andrew Mutter
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Stephen Gordon
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Background:

- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->The Colorado Smelter was a silver and lead smelter that operated in the Eilers an Bessemer neighborhoods from 1883 to 1908.
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Contaminants: High levels of arsenic and lead (metals) identified in smelter slag and neighborhood soils.

Cleanup history/status: To date, approximately 40% of the 1,900 residential properties in the study area have been sampled. EPA estimates that about 43% of these properties will need soil cleanups and about 22% will also need indoor dust cleanups. EPA teams have completed 34 indoor dust cleanups and 46 soil cleanups at the site.

- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->September 26, 2017: EPA and the CDPHE signed the interim Record of Decision (i-ROD) for residential soils and indoor dust cleanups
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->Late 2017: 7 additional indoor dust cleanups were completed under this decision document for a total of 34 indoor dust cleanups to date.
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->December 2017: Benedict Park removal action.
- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->January 31, 2018-May 7, 2018: 28 soil cleanups.

Funding announcement:

- <!--[if !supportLists]--><!--[endif]-->NOT FOR DISTRIBUTION: Announcement: EPA and the state are announcing additional funding for the next 5 years to advance the cleanup of the Colorado Smelter Superfund site in Pueblo, Colorado. Please contact EPA's Office of Public Affairs for additional information on the announcement at Abboud.Michael@epa.gov or block.molly@epa.gov

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Message

From: Palich, Christian [palich.christian@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/5/2018 5:23:14 PM
To: Bennett, Tate [Bennett.Tate@epa.gov]
CC: Frye, Tony (Robert) [frye.robert@epa.gov]; Abboud, Michael [abboud.michael@epa.gov]; Kundinger, Kelly [kundinger.kelly@epa.gov]; McMurray, Forrest [mcmurray.forrest@epa.gov]; Ferguson, Lincoln [ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Administrator Pruitt in Colorado

I don't believe so. I'll check and let you know if that changes.

Christian R. Palich
Deputy Associate Administrator
Office of Congressional Affairs
C: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 5, 2018, at 12:04 PM, Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov> wrote:

> 10-4 thanks for letting us know!
>
> On Jul 5, 2018, at 11:54 AM, Palich, Christian <palich.christian@epa.gov> wrote:
>
> > FYI Tate. Senator Gardner won't be able to attend tomorrow.
> >
> > Christian R. Palich
> > *Deputy Associate Administrator*
> > *Office of Congressional & Intergovernmental Affairs*
> > *U.S Environmental Protection Agency*
> > *O: 202.564.4944*
> > *C:* Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
> > *E: Palich.Christian@epa.gov*
> >
> > **From:** Sherer, Dustin (Gardner) [mailto:Dustin_Sherer@gardner.senate.gov]
> > **Sent:** Wednesday, July 4, 2018 11:41 AM
> > **To:** Palich, Christian <palich.christian@epa.gov>
> > **Cc:** Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>; Frye, Tony (Robert) <frye.robert@epa.gov>
> > **Subject:** Re: Administrator Pruitt in Colorado
> >
> > Copy that. Based on road closures due to the fire and where he will be on Friday I don't think we are going to manage to get him there but if that changes I'll let you know. Thanks to you both and have a great 4th.
> >
> > Dustin Sherer
> > Senator Cory Gardner
> >
> > On Jul 3, 2018, at 4:24 PM, Palich, Christian <palich.christian@epa.gov> wrote:

Thanks Christian. Dustin feel free to ping me if you have any questions. Enjoy the 4th!

Christian R. Palich
Deputy Associate Administrator
Office of Congressional Affairs
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Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 3, 2018, at 4:05 PM, Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov> wrote:

> Dustin,
>
> Per your earlier conversation with Christian Palich, I wanted to give you a heads up that Administrator Pruitt will be heading to Colorado for a Smelter Site visit on Friday, July 6th. Below are some details on that trip. As we have not publicized the trip yet, we do ask that you keep this information close hold. Additionally, as the attendees have not yet been informed of the Administrator's attendance, we ask that you keep that bit of information especially close hold. Thank you and please let me know if you have any questions we might be able to help with.
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Background:

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Message

From: Mutter, Andrew [mutter.andrew@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/5/2018 2:19:26 PM
To: Bennett, Tate [Bennett.Tate@epa.gov]; Rodrick, Christian [rodrick.christian@epa.gov]
CC: Gordon, Stephen [gordon.stephen@epa.gov]; Ringel, Aaron [ringel.aaron@epa.gov]; Lyons, Troy [lyons.troy@epa.gov]; Ferguson, Lincoln [ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov]; Benevento, Douglas [benevento.douglas@epa.gov]; Abboud, Michael [abboud.michael@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Administrator Pruitt Travel

Thanks Tate. Acknowledge all.

Best regards,

Andrew

Andrew Mutter

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From: Bennett, Tate
Sent: Thursday, July 5, 2018 7:59 AM
To: Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>
Cc: Gordon, Stephen <gordon.stephen@epa.gov>; Ringel, Aaron <ringel.aaron@epa.gov>; Lyons, Troy <lyons.troy@epa.gov>; Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>; Mutter, Andrew <mutter.andrew@epa.gov>; Benevento, Douglas <benevento.douglas@epa.gov>; Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Administrator Pruitt Travel

Thanks for letting us know. The meeting is still at 10:30 so you guys are all set there.

Is there a way you could provide a few sentence bio and his photo to us for Lincoln to include in the binder? Could you perhaps also include that Tipton will only be participating in the 10:30 external meeting? Would be a huge help.

Adding Doug and Andrew so they can update the line by line with this info.

Thank you!

On Jul 5, 2018, at 9:53 AM, Rodrick, Christian <rodrick.christian@epa.gov> wrote:

> Tate,
>
> Wanted to make you aware that I spoke with Agustina in Tipton's office. The congressman is planning on attending so long as the Administrator will still be there for the 10:30 portion of the event.
>
> Please let me know if for some reason the Administrator's plans change so I can update Tipton's office.

Thanks,

Christian Rodrick

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

> **From:** "Pardal, Agustina" <Agustina.Pardal@mail.house.gov>
> **Date:** July 3, 2018 at 4:31:46 PM EDT
> **To:** "'Rodrick, Christian'" <rodrick.christian@epa.gov>, "Payne, Liz" <Liz.PayneRitonia@mail.house.gov>
> **Cc:** "Ringel, Aaron" <ringel.aaron@epa.gov>
> **Subject: RE: Administrator Pruitt Travel**
>
> Hey Christian,
>
> Thank you for passing this along. Congressman Tipton is very interested in being involved on Friday. However, he has a very tight schedule due to the fire happening in the valley. The Congressman can definitely stop by the Announcement and Discussion at 10:30 a.m. MST. Will the Administrator be present at that?
>
> Best,
>
> Agustina
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> Agustina Pardal
> Scheduler
> **Congressman Scott Tipton (CO-3)**
> 218 Cannon House Office Building
> Washington, D.C. 20515
> Phone: (202) 225-4761
> Email: agustina.pardal@mail.house.gov
>
> **PLEASE NOTE:** *Washington-based meetings are scheduled pending votes and committee business, and may change at any time. If a last minute schedule change occurs, the meeting will be handled by staff. Thank you in advance for your understanding.*

> **From:** Rodrick, Christian [mailto:rodrick.christian@epa.gov]
> **Sent:** Tuesday, July 3, 2018 4:01 PM
> **To:** Pardal, Agustina <Agustina.Pardal@mail.house.gov>; Payne, Liz <Liz.PayneRitonia@mail.house.gov>
> **Cc:** Ringel, Aaron <ringel.aaron@epa.gov>
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Message

From: Graham, Amy [graham.amy@epa.gov]
Sent: 8/1/2017 4:28:09 PM
To: Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]
CC: Abboud, Michael [abboud.michael@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Fine to provide my name

From: Valentine, Julia
Sent: Tuesday, August 1, 2017 10:59 AM
To: Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>
Cc: Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters
Importance: High

Amy and Michael – Lynn Peeples at Ensia has been asking me the same question (attribution). This is the fourth email I've sent requesting this: I need to give them one of your names for attribution. Thanks

From: Valentine, Julia
Sent: Monday, July 31, 2017 11:52 AM
To: Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>; Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: (Re-sending) For Review: RE: Reporting for Ensia Magazine

Hi Amy and Michael, Reporter has emailed yet again. May I use one of your names for attribution, please?

Thanks

From: Valentine, Julia
Sent: Monday, July 24, 2017 11:19 AM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: (Re-sending) For Review: RE: Reporting for Ensia Magazine

Reporter emailed again requesting attribution. Ok to use, Amy, Jahan, or Michael? Thanks.

From: Valentine, Julia
Sent: Friday, July 21, 2017 3:13 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Reporting for Ensia Magazine

Ok to use Amy's or Jahan's name for this attribution? This was approved by Jahan 7/7.
Thanks!

From: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) [mailto: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)] **On Behalf Of** Lynne Peeples
Sent: Friday, July 21, 2017 2:50 PM
To: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Reporting for Ensia Magazine

Hi Julia,

My editor got back to me and just wanted to double-check to see if it would be ok if we attribute (the attributable material) to you, as an agency spokesperson? Thanks!

Lynne

On Mon, Jul 10, 2017 at 10:12 AM, Lynne Peeples <lpeeples@post.harvard.edu> wrote:
Thank you. Much appreciated!

Lynne

On Fri, Jul 7, 2017 at 8:03 AM, Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Lynne,

We apologize for the delay. Thanks for your patience. Christie is out today so I am sending along on her behalf.

Thanks!

Off the record: Three different offices work on vapor intrusion sites: the Brownfield office, the Superfund office, and The Office of Resource Conservation and Recovery (ORCR). Each has a very different approach, as you'll see below from each office's individual response.

For attribution to an agency spokesperson:

Based upon readily available data sources, EPA has identified 91 existing Superfund National Priorities List (NPL) and Superfund Alternative Approach sites where a response action was taken to mitigate unacceptable human health risks associated with vapor intrusion. As a result of revisions to EPA's Hazard Ranking System (EPA's system for evaluating sites for possible inclusion on the NPL) in 2017, EPA expects to evaluate potential new sites for placement on the NPL based on vapor intrusion.

Other contaminated sites are regulated under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). This universe of sites includes many cleanups that are overseen by States. EPA does not have a current estimate of how many of the 3,778 RCRA sites have vapor intrusion concerns. EPA estimates from 2000 and 2002 found that about ¼ of RCRA sites were likely to have some possible vapor intrusion.

Brownfields make up a third category of sites with potential vapor intrusion concerns. The US EPA does not track the occurrence of vapor intrusion, or any other specific contaminant pathways, at brownfield sites. The US EPA encourages recipients of brownfield grant funding for assessment, area-wide planning and cleanup grants to consider vapor intrusion and vapor encroachment as part of property assessments and pre-acquisition due diligence, as well as within cleanup activities at brownfields sites.

Julia P. Valentine

Assoc. Dir./Acting Dir.
U.S. EPA, Ofc of Media Relations

202.564.2663 direct

Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) m/txt

From: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) mailto Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) **On Behalf Of** Lynne Peeples
Sent: Monday, June 26, 2017 11:43 AM
To: StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>
Cc: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Reporting for Ensia Magazine

Good morning,

I've hit my deadline. I'm hoping you might still be able to share any estimates today? I really appreciate it.

Lynne

On Fri, Jun 23, 2017 at 3:38 PM, Lynne Peeples <lpeeples@post.harvard.edu> wrote:

Possible to still get this to me today? Thanks.

On Fri, Jun 23, 2017 at 9:30 AM, Lynne Peeples <lpeeples@post.harvard.edu> wrote:

Great. Thanks!

On Fri, Jun 23, 2017 at 8:56 AM, StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov> wrote:

Working on it!

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 23, 2017, at 11:10 AM, Lynne Peeples <lpeeples@post.harvard.edu> wrote:

Checking back on these estimates. Wrapping up the story now -- possible to get them today? Thanks again.

Lynne

On Thu, Jun 22, 2017 at 10:13 AM, Lynne Peeples <lpeeples@post.harvard.edu> wrote:

Just following up on this. Possible to point me to any estimates by end of the day today? Tomorrow would still be ok, if necessary. Thanks again.

Lynne

On Tue, Jun 20, 2017 at 7:30 AM, Lynne Peeples <lpeeples@post.harvard.edu> wrote:

Thanks, Christie. I've been assigned to take a broad look at vapor intrusion -- e.g., the extent of the problem across the U.S., related health concerns and what we're doing to assess and mitigate it.

Lynne

On Tue, Jun 20, 2017 at 5:11 AM, StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Lynne, I'll see what I can find for you. Can you tell me what your story is about?

Christie

Christie St. Clair

EPA Public Affairs

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On Jun 19, 2017, at 6:33 PM, Lynne Peeples <lpeeples@post.harvard.edu> wrote:

Thanks for the quick response! I'm looking more broadly than Superfund, since it was only recently that vapor intrusion -- as I understand -- became a consideration for Superfund status. So brownfields, etc, too.

Lynne

On Mon, Jun 19, 2017 at 3:22 PM, Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Lynne,

Are you looking at Superfund sites? Christie St. Clair is back tomorrow and will assist you.

Enesta Jones

U.S. EPA

Office of Media Relations

Office: 202.564.7873

Cell: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

"The root of all joy is gratefulness."

On Jun 19, 2017, at 6:13 PM, Lynne Peeples <lpeeples@post.harvard.edu> wrote:

Good afternoon,

I'm reporting on vapor intrusion for Ensia Magazine and looking for an estimate of the number of sites in the U.S. impacted by vapor intrusion. Please let me know if one of you might be able to point me to any relevant figures -- by Thursday. Thanks so much for your time and help.

Lynne

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From: Graham, Amy
Sent: Tuesday, August 01, 2017 10:45 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>; Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

yes

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Tuesday, August 1, 2017 10:44 AM
To: Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>
Cc: Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>; Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Amy, OK to attribute all previous responses for this story to you?

On Aug 1, 2017, at 10:37 AM, "Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com" <Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com> wrote:

> Ok – does that go for everything you've sent me so far on this story?
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>
> **From:** Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
> **Sent:** Tuesday, August 01, 2017 10:33 AM
> **To:** Flitter, Emily R. (Reuters News)
> **Cc:** Press
> **Subject:** RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters
>
> Thanks, Emily. Actually, can you please attribute to Amy Graham, EPA spokesperson?
>
> Thanks, R.

From: Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com [mailto:Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 01, 2017 10:23 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Hi Robert,

Thanks for this. I have to attribute all this stuff to you by name, OK? My editors are insisting.

Emily

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, August 01, 2017 10:21 AM
To: Flitter, Emily R. (Reuters News)
Cc: Press
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Emily, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

The studies submitted by the registrant were conducted both in the laboratory and in the field. All testing methods (protocols) used to generate studies for all pesticide registrations must be approved by EPA. More information on EPA data requirements https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/data-requirements-pesticide-registration.

We did receive the raw data, as required, and the information from these studies was used to model the off-target movement of dicamba after application. Modeling results were then used to set labeling restrictions to limit off-site movement of dicamba.

To obtain access to the data, a FOIA request could be filed. The final registration decision and supporting documents are available in www.regulations.gov in docket number EPA-HQ-OPP-2016-0187.

We issued a 2-year registration to allow us to reevaluate if there appear to be drift problems.

Regards, R.

From: Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com [mailto:Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com]
Sent: Monday, July 31, 2017 10:51 AM
To: Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com; Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Hi Enesta,

Just following up on this. My deadline is the end of the day today. I'm told by a former member of Arkansas' plant board that Monsanto provided the EPA with data on XtendiMax testing that had been conducted by contractors in New Mexico, Illinois, Alabama, and one or two other states but had all been syntheisized by Monsanto. Is this true? Did EPA scientists get any raw data, or did they just get complete reports from Monsanto when considering the labels for XtendiMax with VaporGrip?

Thanks and best,

Emily

From: Flitter, Emily R. (Reuters News)
Sent: Friday, July 28, 2017 4:22 PM
To: 'Daguillard, Robert'
Cc: Press
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Hi,

Some follow-up questions with a deadline of Monday at 3pm:

1. **Who** conducted testing on volatility for new dicamba formulations? EPA scientists? Monsanto? A private contractor?
2. **Can we see the data from these tests?**
3. Were the tests independent from Monsanto?
4. Does the EPA's two-year registration, which is an unusually short period of time, mean someone inside the agency suspected there might be problems?

Best,

Emily

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From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 27, 2017 4:49 PM
To: Flitter, Emily R. (Reuters News)
Cc: Press
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Again, for attribution to "an agency spokesperson," please.

EPA placed time limits on the registration to allow the Agency to either let it expire or to easily make the necessary changes in the registration if there are problems with resistant weeds or pesticide drift.

From: Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com [mailto:Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 27, 2017 3:48 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Thanks Robert these are helpful answers. One more question: Why did EPA only approve registration for the new dicamba formulations for 2 years? Did the decision relate at all to concerns about the products' volatility?

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1. INCOMING/Follow- up Q: "I have learned the EPA is looking into the dicamba problems and had a conference call with state regulators and scientists from several Midwestern universities on July 13. Is the EPA formally reviewing the registration for Monsanto's and BASF's formulations of dicamba? Is the EPA formally reviewing ANY aspect of its approval of dicamba?"

ANSWER: We are reviewing the current use restrictions on the labels for these dicamba formulations in light of the incidents that have been reported this year.

2. INCOMING: Is there someone at the EPA who can describe to me the EPA's involvement in this situation? Is the situation on the ground in Arkansas, western Tennessee, Missouri and Illinois right now causing anyone at EPA to rethink the agency's stance on Dicamba?

ANSWER: EPA is very concerned about the recent reports of crop damage related to the use of dicamba in Missouri, Arkansas and other states. We are working with the states and the registrants to better understand the issue. The underlying causes of the various damage incidents are not yet clear, but EPA is reviewing the available information carefully. We will rely on the best information available to inform our assessment, but we do not yet have enough information to consider an appropriate response.

3. INCOMING: What testing did EPA do on the latest formulations of Dicamba before they were approved?

ANSWER: EPA's analysis of the data has shown reduced volatility potential with newer formulations. EPA's risk assessment included the evaluation of studies that measured the deposition and movement of dicamba after application. These studies were conducted both in the laboratory and in the field. The information from these studies was used to model the off-target movement of dicamba after application. Modeling results were then used to determine buffers and other labeling restrictions to limit off-site movement of dicamba.

4. INCOMING: Is it true that Monsanto and BASF supply the testing data and dictate what testing can be done and what can't be done before approval? If so, where did the testing come from that the EPA used in considering these new formulations?

ANSWER: Before pesticides can be manufactured, distributed, or sold in the United States, they first undergo a rigorous registration process. EPA requires many different scientific studies from applicants wishing to register new pesticides. These studies come from all kinds of sources – pesticide companies, other governments, academia, or the published scientific literature – and help us ensure that our decisions are informed by the best science available. EPA scientists and analysts carefully review these data to determine whether to register (license) a pesticide product or use and whether specific restrictions are necessary. EPA goes through an intensive evaluation process, looking at the human health and environmental risks.

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Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 4:40 PM
To: Flitter, Emily R. (Reuters News)
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Roger.

From: Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com [mailto:Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com]
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That's OK – I appreciate the update and I look forward to talking tomorrow. Happy to discuss more about what I'm working on with you if it helps you gather the answers to the questions, so please feel free to call me anytime. I'm at: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 4:36 PM
To: Flitter, Emily R. (Reuters News)
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Hullo again Emily,

We're working on these questions for you. Let's touch base tomorrow to see where things stand if OK.

Regards, R.

From: Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com [mailto:Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 12:46 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Many thanks, Robert. I'll look forward to hearing from you again soon.

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From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 12:45 PM
To: Flitter, Emily R. (Reuters News); Press
Subject: RE: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Hey Emily,

A quick word to acknowledge receipt. I'll circle back.

Thanks, R.

From: Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com [mailto:Emily.Flitter@thomsonreuters.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 12:34 PM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Dicamba story - lots of questions - Reuters

Hi,

I'm working on a story about Dicamba. Broadly, it appears Monsanto has released a new formulation (for 2017 season) of its Dicamba product Xtend that was never tested for volatility and its potential to migrate to nearby crops. A similar situation has occurred with BASF and its new formulation. The 2017 growing season has given rise to a wave of complaints of crop damage resulting from the use of Dicamba on other crops nearby. Arkansas has now completely banned Dicamba and never approved its 2017 formulation because of the volatility potential and the lack of testing. Several lawsuits have been filed now against Monsanto over this issue. There are at least two class action suits.

Is there someone at the EPA who can describe to me the EPA's involvement in this situation? What testing did EPA do on the latest formulations of Dicamba before they were approved? Is it true that Monsanto and BASF supply the testing data and dictate what testing can be done and what can't be done before approval? If so, where did the testing come from that the EPA used in considering these new formulations? Is the situation on the ground in Arkansas, western Tennessee, Missouri and Illinois right now causing anyone at EPA to rethink the agency's stance on Dicamba?

This story's deadline isn't for a few days, but if there's any way we can start discussing this as soon as today, that would be great. I'd love to get on the phone with someone and talk more about what my story is and who the best people would be to interview. Can you please give me a call as soon as you can? Thank you!

Best regards,

Emily

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Message

From: Daguillard, Robert [Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: 10/23/2017 4:04:21 PM
To: Abboud, Michael [abboud.michael@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: FOR REVIEW: AP (Matthew Brown) - TSCA/Asbestos - DDL 10/20

Super. Thanks.

From: Abboud, Michael
Sent: Monday, October 23, 2017 12:00 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: FOR REVIEW: AP (Matthew Brown) - TSCA/Asbestos - DDL 10/20

Thanks, Liz wanted me to double check. This is good to send. Thanks!

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Monday, October 23, 2017 11:59 AM
To: Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: FOR REVIEW: AP (Matthew Brown) - TSCA/Asbestos - DDL 10/20

She reviews and approves every response.

From: Abboud, Michael
Sent: Monday, October 23, 2017 11:55 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: FOR REVIEW: AP (Matthew Brown) - TSCA/Asbestos - DDL 10/20

Nancy Beck signed off on all these correct?

From: Daguillard, Robert
Sent: Monday, October 23, 2017 11:22 AM
To: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: FOR REVIEW: AP (Matthew Brown) - TSCA/Asbestos - DDL 10/20

BACKGROUND

Follow-up questions from this reporter, who originally wanted an on-camera interview Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) The reporter, who is based in Montana, has been working on a series of stories about asbestos exposure at the Libby Superfund cleanup site in his state. Health professionals say asbestos exposure there has killed hundreds of people in recent decades. Officials expect the cleanup by EPA, which began in 1999, will be complete by next summer. This inquiry focuses on asbestos evaluation and regulation under TSCA - Matthew Brown – AP – mbrown@ap.com

RESPONSE

Question 1: why is EPA evaluating the 10 chemicals under review per TSCA?/what kind of changes to the availability or acceptable uses of these chemicals could result?

Response 1 Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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Question 2: what are "legacy" uses of chemicals?

Response 2: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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Question 3: why did the EPA decide to exclude legacy uses from its review?

Response 3: Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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Question 4: firefighters, construction unions and others have raised concerns about the exclusion of legacy uses; how is EPA going to fairly evaluate the risk from these chemicals if it excludes legacy uses? In the same vein, will excluding legacy uses perpetuate the risk of exposure among populations that work with or around these chemicals?

Response 4:

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From: Brown, Matthew [mailto:MBrown@ap.org]
Sent: Monday, October 16, 2017 6:08 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: AP story on TSCA

Hi Robert:
Here are the basic questions for which we'd like to get on-camera responses (some are repeats from our prior questions that you have already answered).

--why is EPA evaluating the 10 chemicals under review per TSCA?/what kind of changes to the availability or acceptable uses of these chemicals could result?
--what are "legacy" uses of chemicals?
--why did the EPA decide to exclude legacy uses from its review?
--firefighters, construction unions and others have raised concerns about the exclusion of legacy uses; how is EPA going to fairly evaluate the risk from these chemicals if it excludes legacy uses? In the same vein, will excluding legacy uses perpetuate the risk of exposure among populations that work with or around these chemicals?

Thanks for the help. Call right away if any of these need clarification.

Matt Brown

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From: Brown, Matthew
Sent: Thursday, October 12, 2017 4:47 PM
To: 'Daguillard, Robert' <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: AP story on TSCA

Thanks, Robert. Appreciate the help.
Was out today working on that story, the video component I've talked about. We're talking to firefighters, and as you may know their union is pushing EPA to include legacy chemicals in its review.

Would be great to get an on on-camera response to some of the concerns they've raised, particularly that the agency's determination leaves firefighters subject to continued exposures without an adequate evaluation of the risks of those exposures.

If that's not possible, we can make note in the piece but we would hope to get at least a statement addressing the issue. Anytime tomorrow on a statement would work or let me know about video so we can nail down arrangements at earliest chance.
(One of the video elements still being worked on by a colleague so story deadline has been getting pushed back.)

Please let me know.

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From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, October 12, 2017 12:31 PM
To: Brown, Matthew <MBrown@ap.org>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: AP story on TSCA

Matt, for attribution to "an EPA spokesperson," please:

1. Does the determination on legacy uses apply across all 10 chemicals?

Yes, it applies to all 10 chemicals. EPA's rationale for this interpretation is described in detail in the preamble to "Procedures for Chemical Risk Evaluation Under the Amended Toxic Substances Control Act" – a procedural rule finalized on June 22, 2017. See pages 15-18 of the prepublication copy available on EPA's website here: https://www.epa.gov/assessing-and-managing-chemicals-under-tsca/procedures-chemical-risk-evaluation-under-amended-toxic. Generally, EPA interprets section 6 of TSCA to require risk evaluations and any corresponding risk

management to focus on uses for which manufacturing, processing, or distribution in commerce is intended, known to be occurring, or reasonably foreseen to occur (i.e., is prospective or on-going).

2. Where is the line on "distribution in commerce"? If it was a previously distributed product (for which production is continuing) is that considered legacy?

No, because if production is ongoing, the use is not legacy.

As stated above: Generally, EPA interprets section 6 of TSCA to require risk evaluations and any corresponding risk management to focus on uses for which manufacturing, processing, or distribution in commerce is intended, known to be occurring, or reasonably foreseen to occur (i.e., is prospective or on-going).

From: Brown, Matthew [mailto:MBrown@ap.org]
Sent: Tuesday, October 10, 2017 2:54 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: AP story on TSCA

Fair enough. Talk to you then.
Matt Brown

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From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, October 10, 2017 12:54 PM
To: Brown, Matthew <MBrown@ap.org>
Subject: RE: AP story on TSCA

Thanks, Matt. Close of business might be ambitious, to be honest (keep in mind yesterday was a federal holiday).

Could we touch base tomorrow AM (your time or mine)? If nothing else, I expect I'd have a better idea of where things stand.

Cheers, R.

From: Brown, Matthew [mailto:MBrown@ap.org]
Sent: Tuesday, October 10, 2017 2:48 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: AP story on TSCA

Thanks Robert. We're hoping to get answers as soon as possible, close of business today if possible, but deadline for on-camera intvw more flexible.
Matt Brown

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From: Daguillard, Robert [mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, October 10, 2017 12:47 PM
To: Brown, Matthew <MBrown@ap.org>
Subject: RE: AP story on TSCA

Matt, I'm now back in the office and will follow up for you. What's your firm deadline, please?

From: Brown, Matthew [mailto:MBrown@ap.org]
Sent: Tuesday, October 10, 2017 2:39 PM
To: Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>; Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: AP story on TSCA

Hi Enesta-Following up on our request for some more information on TSCA reviews. Please let me know.

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From: Jones, Enesta [mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]
Sent: Friday, October 06, 2017 3:08 PM
To: Brown, Matthew <MBrown@ap.org>
Subject: Re: AP story on TSCA

Hey Matthew, what's your firm deadline? Monday is a federal holiday.

On Oct 6, 2017, at 5:06 PM, Brown, Matthew <MBrown@ap.org> wrote:

Hi Enesta-
I'm hoping to follow up on some assistance that you provided last month on a TSCA story we've been working on.

Specifically, I was asking about "legacy" uses of the chemicals being evaluated by the agency. The agency's scoping material has made clear that legacy uses won't be considered but I want to be sure I'm not misinterpreting that. A couple specifics:
-does the determination on legacy uses apply across all 10 chemicals?
-where is the line on "distribution in commerce"? If it was a previously distributed product (for which production is continuing) is that considered legacy?

Please give me a call or let me know if any of that needs clarification.

We're looking to move our story next week so an answer at earliest chance would be most appreciated. Also, we're pursuing a companion video piece for this. Is anyone from the EPA available for a short, on-camera interview on the topic? We would come to you, of course, and could be flexible on timing as needed.

Thanks for your time and all help.

Matt Brown

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Message

From: Valentine, Julia [Valentine.Julia@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/14/2017 3:23:50 PM
To: Graham, Amy [graham.amy@epa.gov]; Abboud, Michael [abboud.michael@epa.gov]
CC: Hull, George [Hull.George@epa.gov]; StClair, Christie [StClair.Christie@epa.gov]
Subject: MICHAEL AND AMY: FW: ProPublica's questions on OB/OD

Amy and Michael – I have been working on this since I said that on pess@epa on Tuesday. We discussed it in the PADs/Comms meeting on Tuesday. John Senn spoke about it at that meeting. Liz and John K were there and Liz said not to spend too much time on it. I had already had calls with the person in OLEM who handled the FOIA, and the OECA staffer who helped walk the reporter through. It has been a habit of this reporter to let various EPA staff know that he is going to send questions and then he waits 4-6 weeks, sends incredibly complex questions to which he demands immediate answers. And sends emails like the ones you have seen.

He uses FOIA to threaten to pressure us to give him more info – but we already have given him info and are happy to give him more. But we need to know more about what he is looking for. And all of this is incredibly difficult to do in writing. And I confirmed that after speaking to all of the OLEM and OECA staff that I have in the past few days. **We need to have him, a press officer (Christie or Christie and me) and the ECHO database expert on the phone together, off the record, to figure out what he is really looking for.**

Ok to do that?

Thanks

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From: StClair, Christie
Sent: Friday, July 14, 2017 9:45 AM
To: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>
Subject: JULIA - FW: JULIA - FW: ProPublica's questions on OB/OD

Let's talk to Abrahm today. When's good?

From: StClair, Christie
Sent: Tuesday, July 11, 2017 2:14 PM
To: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>
Subject: JULIA - FW: ProPublica's questions on OB/OD

Next step – talk to Abrahm.

From: Senn, John
Sent: Tuesday, July 11, 2017 2:08 PM
To: StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>; Colip, Matthew <colip.matthew@epa.gov>
Cc: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: ProPublica's questions on OB/OD

Yeah, I think that's right—I think it will be a lot easier to sort this out if we can see the universe of sites he's looking at.

From: StClair, Christie
Sent: Tuesday, July 11, 2017 1:05 PM
To: Senn, John <Senn.John@epa.gov>; Colip, Matthew <colip.matthew@epa.gov>
Cc: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: ProPublica's questions on OB/OD

Thanks, John. So what we'd have to do then would be:

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Does that sound right?

Christie

From: Senn, John
Sent: Tuesday, July 11, 2017 12:25 PM
To: StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>; Colip, Matthew <colip.matthew@epa.gov>
Cc: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: ProPublica's questions on OB/OD

My sense after looking at Abrahm's questions and what Rebecca and our technical expert here in OECA who works on RCRA issues that she talked to as part of Abrahm's initial request have said, these questions may be able to be answered by some combination of the office who issued the permit and who entered the data into ECHO—my sense is that Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
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That said, my guess is that Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
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What are your thoughts on this, Matt?

Happy to chat later if that would be helpful, btw.

Thanks,
John

From: StClair, Christie
Sent: Tuesday, July 11, 2017 9:58 AM
To: Senn, John <Senn.John@epa.gov>; Colip, Matthew <colip.matthew@epa.gov>
Cc: Valentine, Julia <Valentine.Julia@epa.gov>
Subject: ProPublica's questions on OB/OD

Matt and John,

Thank you both for chatting with me about this just now.

Here's the nut Abrahm Lustgarten is trying to crack. Rebecca Kane tells us she isn't sure she's the right person to answer these. Let me know what you think is the best next step.

Thanks for the help!
Christie

Hi all,

I sent the following note with some technical questions about the RCRA enforcement database to Rebecca Kane earlier, but haven't yet heard back. Because I'm on a tight deadline, I'm resending to you all more broadly and hoping one of you can help with an explanation. Nothing for attribution/comment – just technical questions to make sure I am not misusing your data.

Thank you,
Abrahm Lustgarten

Hi Rebecca,

I left you a message earlier, and figured I'd follow up by email. I'm looking for some fact-check help in making sure I understand the RCRA data I'm using correctly in my reporting. Hoping you may be able to help me clarify the following:

I've got a dataset for sites in the RCRA database with RCRA Subpart X permits to Open Burn and detonate hazardous explosives, and I'm examining violations for those specific RCRA IDs that correspond to the Subpart X permits. I'm trying to assess whether the violations I see are definitely associated with the Subpart X permits. So my questions are:

- can those IDs correspond to other violations other than Sub X permit violations or is each RCRA ID specific to the OBOD Sub X permit?
- BASICALLY: if I have a facility ID for an Open Burn/Open Detonation Subpart X permit, is that ID unique to that permit, or also used for other RCRA-specific enforcement issues? Ie – if I see a violation under that ID, do I know that it is a violation of its Sub X permit?
  - For example, if I take Elmendorf/Richardson base in Alaska, RCRA ID: AK1210022157 and put into Echo, I see multiple RCRA Ids for that site, but the ID I am using matches TSDF for its handling and storage of haz materials.
  - My violations data for that site and the TSDF permit shows 8 violations coded 264.A, which corresponds to a general Treatment, storage and Disposal violation.
  - Can I understand that to be specific to their Subpart X permit under that same RCRA ID #? Or is it somehow more general?

- Separately, in the violation codes for RCRA, I see several codes which seem to correspond more specifically to handling of munitions and explosives, 264.EE for example. Is there a catalogue with more precise descriptions of these codes that I should use/reference? Would I only want to look for 264.EE violations if I'm interested in explosives and Suppart X, or could Subpart X permit violations fall under other TSD-related violation codes?

Thank you in advance for your help, I'm on a pretty tight deadline, if you have a chance to reply I'd appreciate it.

Message

From: Abboud, Michael [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=B6F5AF791A1842F1ADCC088CBF9ED3CE-ABBOUD, MIC]
Sent: 8/28/2019 2:05:36 PM
To: Konkus, John [john.konkus@aecom.com]
Subject: RE: Ruth Etzel

Thanks. For your awareness this is what we sent.

"After undergoing a performance review by career EPA staff, and pending further actions, it was determined that Dr. Etzel be moved to a non-supervisory role in another department following her reinstatement in March 2019. EPA has now appointed Jeanne Briskin to head up the Office of Children's Health Protection who will advance Administrator Wheeler's priorities on children's health, and fulfill the Agency's mission."

From: Konkus, John <john.konkus@aecom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2019 10:04 AM
To: Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Ruth Etzel

FYI

From: Kevin Bogardus <kbogardus@eenews.net>

Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2019 10:00 AM

To: Konkus, John

Subject: RE: Ruth Etzel

John, Hi, it's Kevin Bogardus with E&E News again. I'm checking in to see if you had any response to our questions. For your information, EPA's press office did send us a short statement to response to our questions, which we will include in our story. If you have anything to say in response to our questions, please get back to us before our deadline of close of business today. Thank you for your help.

-Kevin

From: Kevin Bogardus

Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 4:26 PM

To: 'Konkus, John' <john.konkus@aecom.com>

Subject: Ruth Etzel

John,

Hi, it's Kevin Bogardus with E&E News.

Myself and my colleague Ariel Wittenberg are working on a story about Ruth Etzel, the former director of EPA's Office of Children's Health Protection. In our story, we are linking to and quoting from EPA emails and personnel records that I obtained under the Freedom of Information Act (please see attached). I had a few questions about this, which are:

- We will quote emails from you and EPA Chief of Staff Ryan Jackson discussing press strategy in response to Etzel being put on leave, such as "opportunity to strike" and "press pushing back on her" (please see 3 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019_, 555 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019_ and 556 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019_). Do you have any additional comment?

- We will say that you received a list of EPA children's health-related grants (please see 594-598 Records Resonsive_OCHP FOIAs_7.19.2019_). Why were you reviewing such grants? I ask because your grants review was rescinded in May 2018, according to this email (https://www.eenews.net/assets/2018/06/18/document_gw_19.pdf).

For your information, I have also emailed EPA press officials these questions and others for our story. That said, since we quote you from some of the emails, I wanted to give you a heads up about the story and see if you wanted to add any comment in response to these questions.

If you do wish to comment, please get back to me as soon as possible. My deadline is close of business Wednesday, Aug. 28, but the sooner you get back to me, the more it helps my reporting. Thank you for your help.

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Sent: 7/3/2019 6:24:38 PM
To: Brazauskas, Joseph [brazauskas.joseph@epa.gov]; Carter, Brittany S. [carter.brittanys@epa.gov]; Rodrick, Christian [rodrick.christian@epa.gov]; Frye, Tony (Robert) [frye.robert@epa.gov]; Edwards, John (Holt) [edwards.john@epa.gov]; Kolb, John (JohnMark) [kolb.john@epa.gov]; Pic, Jordan [pic.jordan@epa.gov]; Struhar, Kirby [struhar.kirby@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: EPA Proposes Renewable Volume Obligations for 2020 On Track to Meet Statutory Deadline - Preview

So this is now being released on Friday for sure. If you are going to release it embargo it until 9am Friday? Will let you know when it clears OMB, knock on wood it'll be tonight.

From: EPA Press Office <press@epa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, July 3, 2019 2:21 PM
To: Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>
Subject: EPA Proposes Renewable Volume Obligations for 2020 On Track to Meet Statutory Deadline - Preview

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Sent: 8/8/2019 3:14:56 PM
To: Kramer, Jessica L. [kramer.jessical@epa.gov]
CC: Andrea Woods [woods.andrea@epa.gov]
Subject: DRAFT: Attached Q&A
Attachments: DRAFT Q-A CLOSE HOLD 401.docx

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Sent: 7/19/2019 9:54:00 PM
To: Harlow, David [harlow.david@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Washington Post request, regarding a story that will post Monday morning

Thank you.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 19, 2019, at 5:39 PM, Harlow, David <harlow.david@epa.gov> wrote:

> Michael,
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> FYI and awareness. Please note that Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP) Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)
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> Begin forwarded message:
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> > **From:** "Harlow, David" <harlow.david@epa.gov>
> > **Date:** July 19, 2019 at 5:35:32 PM EDT
> > **To:** "Eilperin, Juliet" <Juliet.Eilperin@washpost.com>
> > **Subject: Re: Washington Post request, regarding a story that will post Monday morning**
> >
> > Ms. Eilperin,
> >
> > Thank you for reaching out directly to me with respect to your requested clarification (as I don't believe that there would be anyone else at the Agency who could, in fact, answer your question).
> >
> > In fact, I was NOT a partner — neither an equity partner nor a name partner — when I was employed by Hunton. At the time I left Hunton and joined EPA (my employment with Hunton terminated on September 30, 2017, and I first reported to work at the Agency on October 2, 2017), my title was that of "Counsel," which was not a partnership position.
> >
> > I trust you will find this clarification helpful. Thank you.
> >
> > Sent from my iPhone
> >
> > On Jul 19, 2019, at 5:22 PM, Eilperin, Juliet <Juliet.Eilperin@washpost.com> wrote:
> >
> > > Dear Mr. Harlow,
> > > I had sent this email to Michael Abboud earlier today, and I just wanted to forward it to you in case you wanted to answer this query directly. As I mentioned in my original note, you are not the focus of the story, and

so it is not necessary that you comment for the piece. But I at least wanted to make sure you were aware of it.
Best, Juliet

From: Eilperin, Juliet
Sent: Friday, July 19, 2019 12:57 PM
To: Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>
Subject: following up on our conversation

Dear Michael,
As we discussed, I just wanted to circle back on the ethics story that I am writing, which I will finish today and will run online Monday morning. While it will mainly focus on the IG inquiry I mentioned, it will also address congressional Democrats' ongoing investigations of both Bill Wehrum and David Harlow. While my piece will only mention David Harlow in passing, Senate Democrats are arguing that he, along with Bill Wehrum, improperly weighed in on the DTE memo back in December 2017, and may have failed to fully list all his former clients on his recusal letter because they assert that the individual members of the Utility Air Regulatory Group were also individual clients of UARG. (For what it is worth, when Bill was questioned on this point during a House Energy and Commerce hearing, he replied, "That's not my understanding.") More broadly, these lawmakers are arguing that both of them advanced their former clients' interests while serving at EPA.

I also had one factual question I was hoping you could answer: I believe David Harlow was a partner at Hunton & Williams before joining EPA, but I am not positive because I can't find that listed online. So if you could clarify that, not for attribution, it would be helpful.

If there is either any specific response you'd like to provide from Mr. Harlow, or if there's a general statement you'd like to make, just let me know.
Thanks, Juliet

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Message

From: Abboud, Michael [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=B6F5AF791A1842F1ADCC088CBF9ED3CE-ABBOUD, MIC]
Sent: 6/11/2019 2:48:21 PM
To: Labbe, Ken [Labbe.Ken@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Sec. 401 guidance

Sure.

From: Labbe, Ken
Sent: Tuesday, June 11, 2019 10:48 AM
To: Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Sec. 401 guidance

And I can use your name for attribution?

From: Abboud, Michael
Sent: Tuesday, June 11, 2019 10:46 AM
To: Labbe, Ken <Labbe.Ken@epa.gov>
Cc: Press <Press@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Sec. 401 guidance

Yes.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 11, 2019, at 10:40 AM, Labbe, Ken <Labbe.Ken@epa.gov> wrote:

> Ok to send Dave approved statement from yesterday? Also who can I name for attribution?

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

> **From:** Schultz, David <dSchultz@bloombergenvironment.com>
> **Sent:** Tuesday, June 11, 2019 10:34 AM
> **To:** Press <Press@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** Sec. 401 guidance
>
> Hello,
>
> I'm working on a follow up story to the guidance document you guys issued last week on Clean Water Act Sec. 401. I've heard from several water attorneys who I spoke to that this guidance document by itself will not stop governors from blocking pipelines and other interstate infrastructure projects. Do you want to respond to that? If so, my deadline is by 3:30 pm ET today. I cannot grant anonymity for this story. All comments need to be attributable to a specific person to be considered on the record.

David

>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>

David Schultz
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Message

From: Abboud, Michael [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=B6F5AF791A1842F1ADCC088CBF9ED3CE-ABBOUD, MIC]
Sent: 12/7/2018 4:45:19 PM
To: Ebbs, Stephanie [Stephanie.Ebbs@abc.com]
Subject: Re: can you talk in a bit?

The event will be happening at 11 that day so there will be other people running with the story.

But you will be the only national tv network we're doing an interview with.

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 7, 2018, at 8:35 AM, Ebbs, Stephanie <Stephanie.Ebbs@abc.com> wrote:

> Ok, I think we can work with that. Is he doing any other interviews Tuesday? I'm talking to them about timing for airing the interview on our live channel and they want to know if anyone else will have it if they re-air it in the afternoon
>
> Stephanie Ebbs
>
> ABC News-Washington
>
> (office)202-222-7271
>
> (cell) Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
>
> @stephebbs
>
> ---
>
> **From:** Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>
> **Sent:** Thursday, December 6, 2018 5:38:12 PM
> **To:** Ebbs, Stephanie
> **Subject:** Re: can you talk in a bit?
>
> Realistically it'd be 12:01 am Tuesday, so whenever you guys want to run it that morning. We just can't have it go the night before.
>
> Sent from my iPhone
>
> On Dec 6, 2018, at 4:40 PM, Ebbs, Stephanie <Stephanie.Ebbs@abc.com> wrote:
>
>> Sorry I was on another call. What time on Tuesday morning?
>>
>> Stephanie Ebbs
>>
>> ABC News-Washington

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@stephebbs

From: Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, December 6, 2018 3:38:42 PM
To: Ebbs, Stephanie
Subject: RE: can you talk in a bit?

Hey sorry for the delay, we were caught up with the 111b event. Just tried you on your cell. The event on Tuesday rolling out the replacement won't be until later in the morning closer to noon, so we would prefer to hold the embargo until the morning of the 11th. You guys will still be the first television outlet to break it.

From: Ebbs, Stephanie <Stephanie.Ebbs@abc.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 6, 2018 11:09 AM
To: Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: can you talk in a bit?

Do you have a specific time for when the interview would be off embargo? Would 5pm work?

I'm talking with our ABC News Live folks and they're very interested, they might want one of our on air reporters Devin Dwyer to do the interview while I produce. I think they might even build it out into a bigger story if he does it

Stephanie Ebbs

ABC News-Washington

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@stephebbs

From: Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, December 6, 2018 9:43:03 AM
To: Ebbs, Stephanie
Subject: RE: can you talk in a bit?

Yes.

From: Ebbs, Stephanie <Stephanie.Ebbs@abc.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 6, 2018 9:35 AM
To: Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: can you talk in a bit?

Sure, can I call you in like 10 min?

Stephanie Ebbs
ABC News- Washington
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From: Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, December 6, 2018 09:28
To: Ebbs, Stephanie
Subject: can you talk in a bit?

Michael Abboud
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Office of Public Affairs
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Appointment

From: Abboud, Michael [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=B6F5AF791A1842F1ADCC088CBF9ED3CE-ABBOUD, MIC]
Sent: 4/25/2019 2:58:45 PM
To: Schwab, Justin [schwab.justin@epa.gov]

Subject: Accepted: press strategy
Location: 4407A/OPA/TBD

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Message

From: Jim Seymour [JSeymour@ourpublicservice.org]
Sent: 5/1/2018 8:28:05 PM
To: Coviello, Nancy [Coviello.Nancy@epa.gov]
CC: Fan, Shirley [Fan.Shirley@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: EPA finalist?

Yes. Administrator Pruitt signed already this year. We are still collecting the rest and will upload the completed letter this weekend.

Jim

From: Coviello, Nancy [mailto:Coviello.Nancy@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 1, 2018 1:29 PM
To: Jim Seymour <JSeymour@ourpublicservice.org>
Cc: Fan, Shirley <Fan.Shirley@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: EPA finalist?

Hi Jim,

Thanks very much for your quick response! We look forward to getting the profile article tomorrow.

Will you also release the information on the number of federal agency leaders signing as co-chairs for Public Service Recognition Week on Sunday? I'm hoping that the EPA Administrator signed again this year.

Best, Nancy

From: Jim Seymour [mailto:JSeymour@ourpublicservice.org]
Sent: Tuesday, May 01, 2018 1:13 PM
To: Coviello, Nancy <Coviello.Nancy@epa.gov>
Cc: Fan, Shirley <Fan.Shirley@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: EPA finalist?

Hi Nancy,

We are making final edits to the finalists' profile articles today. I'll be able to send that to you tomorrow.

Our media embargo is until 6:00pm Sunday, May 6. That is when the finalists will be publicly announced on the Sammies website. The embargo statement on the profile article says May 7, so you can send your agency announcement first thing Monday morning.

Here's a sneak peek:

Gerald Ankley, Ph.D.
Research Toxicologist
Environmental Protection Agency
Duluth, Minnesota
For three decades, established techniques and standards to identify dangerous chemicals and prevent them from contaminating America's lakes and waterways

Thanks,

Jim Seymour
Director, Programs and Events
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From: Coviello, Nancy [mailto:Coviello.Nancy@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 1, 2018 11:19 AM
To: Jim Seymour <JSeymour@ourpublicservice.org>
Cc: Fan, Shirley <Fan.Shirley@epa.gov>
Subject: EPA finalist?

Hi Jim,

A quick note to ask for the EPA finalist's information. Also, until what is date the information embargoed?

Thanks, Nancy

Nancy E. Coviello
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Message

From: Mcclendon, Michelle [McClendon.Michelle@epa.gov]
Sent: 10/15/2019 1:54:50 PM
To: RHRO [RHRO@epa.gov]; OMS-ARM-OHR-PMOs [OMS-ARM-OHR-PMOs@epa.gov]; Engagement CoP [Engagement_Cop@epa.gov]
Subject: 2019 EVS: subagency comparison reports available

Good morning!
FYI
Regards,
Michelle

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https://usepa.sharepoint.com/sites/OARM_Community/EVS/Shared%20Documents/Forms/evsresults.aspx

From: Sobek, Lauren M <Lauren.Sobek@opm.gov>
Sent: Friday, October 11, 2019 1:15 PM
To: Mcclendon, Michelle <McClendon.Michelle@epa.gov>
Cc: Jones, Rhonda <jones.rhonda@epa.gov>
Subject: FEVS subagency comparison reports available

Good afternoon,

Your agency's 2019 FEVS Subagency Comparison Reports are now available on the Online Reporting Tool. The Subagency Comparison Reports provide grouped results for the subagencies within a particular level of your agency. To protect confidentiality, results for subagencies with less than 10 respondents are suppressed.

While these reports can be shared with your leadership, please be aware they contain Governmentwide results and must be kept **CLOSE HOLD** until the public release of FEVS results in October.

If you have any questions on the reports you have received so far or on using the reporting tool, please contact me.

Thank you

Lauren

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Message

From: Gibbons, Dayna [Gibbons.Dayna@epa.gov]
Sent: 5/1/2019 3:35:10 PM
To: Coviello, Nancy [Coviello.Nancy@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Your Sammies Finalist...RE: Newsletter articles for week of May 6, 2019
Attachments: Career Sammies BOYES final.docx

Lmk if you need anything else. Full write up attached. Thanks!

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

US EPA
Office of Research and Development
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From: Coviello, Nancy
Sent: Wednesday, May 01, 2019 10:36 AM
To: Gibbons, Dayna <Gibbons.Dayna@epa.gov>
Cc: MaGowan, Maricruz <MaGowan.Maricruz@epa.gov>
Subject: Your Sammies Finalist...RE: Newsletter articles for week of May 6, 2019

Hi Dayna,

This is Nancy Coviello from the Office of Internal Communications. I'm responding on behalf of Maricruz since she is new to working on Internal Communications.

We're working on a mass mailer to come from the Administrator on Public Service Recognition Week (next week, May 5 to 11) and, as we've done in the past, we'd like to recognize any EPA Sammies finalists in the message. We promise to embargo the information until we distribute the newsletter, normally around 2:00 p.m. on Monday. If you would, please share the name of the ORD finalist as well as his/her office and the reason for the nomination.

For informational purposes, you are welcome to review the 2018 and 2017 PSRW/Sammies finalists messages. After the mass mailer message goes out, in a future issue of the newsletter (May 13? May 20?) we can include a specific article like the one from last year, copied below.

Sammies finalists first round voting is open!

Recently, Administrator Pruitt shared the achievements of EPA researcher Gerald "Gary" Ankley, who was named as a finalist for the Samuel J. Heyman Service to America Medals (Exit), more commonly known as the "Sammies."

While the selection committee does their part to choose this year's winners, you can help determine the People's Choice honoree with your votes. You can read the finalists' profiles (Exit) to learn about their accomplishments, and then vote for your top picks using the poll tool on the righthand side of the People's Choice Award (Exit) page. *Voting is open through July 9.*

We are proud to highlight the accomplishments of our EPA finalist:

- **Gerald "Gary" Ankley**, Ph.D., from EPA's Office of Research and Development, was nominated for his work establishing techniques and standards to identify dangerous chemicals and prevent them from contaminating America's lakes and waterways. Read more (Exit).

The remarkable contributions of all 27 finalists are deserving of a Sammie. We are proud to have had eight finalists and three winners over the last three years! Gary's accomplishments demonstrate the continued dedication of EPA employees in furthering our mission of protecting human health and the environment, now and for future generations.

Be sure to cast your vote for the People's Choice Awards by July 9!

Thanks, Nancy

Nancy E. Coviello
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From: Gibbons, Dayna
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2019 1:55 PM
To: MaGowan, Maricruz <MaGowan.Maricruz@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Newsletter articles for week of May 6, 2019

I don't think it's ready to go yet but if you do something on the Sammie nominees from the Agency, we have one we'd like to include. I don't think they have been officially announced just yet.

US EPA
Office of Research and Development
Communications
202-564-7983

From: MaGowan, Maricruz
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2019 1:38 PM
To: Hull, George <Hull.George@epa.gov>; Bender, Emily <Bender.Emily@epa.gov>; Kandil, Shereen <Kandil.Shereen@epa.gov>; Harris-Young, Dawn <Harris-Young.Dawn@epa.gov>; Trulove, Whitney <Trulove.Whitney@epa.gov>; Glenn, William <Glenn.William@epa.gov>; Fiedorczyk, Bryan <Fiedorczyk.Bryan@epa.gov>; Stachowiak, Robert <Stachowiak.Robert@epa.gov>; Millett, John <Millett.John@epa.gov>; DeLuca, Isabel <DeLuca.Isabel@epa.gov>; Strauss, Linda <Strauss.Linda@epa.gov>; Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>; Hubbard, Carolyn <Hubbard.Carolyn@epa.gov>; Gibbons, Dayna <Gibbons.Dayna@epa.gov>
Subject: Newsletter articles for week of May 6, 2019

To internal comm contacts:

If you have any articles that you would like to include in the Newsletter next week, please let me know, preferably no later than COB Wednesday, May 1st. Thanks!

Maricruz
U.S. EPA Office of the Administrator
Office of Public Affairs

Office Number: 202-566-1029
Mail Code: 1701-A

Message

From: Ramsay, Cindy [00000ceb2c80539a-dmarc-request@LIST.NIH.GOV]
Sent: 10/8/2019 5:00:16 PM
To: FCN@LIST.NIH.GOV
Subject: [FCN] Job Opportunity: Social Content Team Lead GS 13
Attachments: Notice of Opportunity - Social Content Team Lead.docx

FEMA's Office of External Affairs is recruiting for a GS 13 Public Affairs Specialist to serve as our social media team lead. Please see the attached notice of opportunity for more details regarding position responsibilities and the knowledge, skills and abilities being sought.

The position is being hired under FEMA's Cadre of On-call Response/Recovery Employee (CORE) Program. This is a temporary appointment in the Excepted Service, not to exceed 2 years, with the option to extend based on workload and funding availability. Veterans Preference does not apply to the CORE selection process.

This is a great opportunity to get into the government for talented individuals seeking to make a difference by helping people before, during and after disasters. If you know of someone who may be interested, or you are interested yourself, please submit a resume summarizing relevant work experience via email with the subject "Public Affairs Specialist – Social Content" to Gloria Huang at gloria.huang@fema.dhs.gov by this coming Tuesday, October 11.

Cindy Ramsay
Director (A), Communications
Office of External Affairs
Federal Emergency Management Agency
Email: cindy.ramsay@fema.dhs.gov

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Office of External Affairs
Communications Division

Job Opportunity: Public Affairs Specialist – Social Content Team Lead

Position: Public Affairs Specialist (Social Content Team Lead)
Grade: GS-13
Series: 1035
Clearance Requirements: Public Trust

This position is located in the Office of External Affairs' Communications Division. The incumbent will lead the team charged with the development and implementation of the agency's social media communication strategy.

Specific responsibilities include:

- Serve as an expert on the development and implementation of social media communication strategies.
- Manage the agency's official social media accounts, to include compliance with Department and Agency social media policy and guidance.
- Coordinate the planning, designing, developing, testing, and implementation of content presented on all agency social media channel(s).
- Perform a range of duties and responsibilities as the team lead, to include establishing priorities, deconflicting work assignments, providing mentoring and training, and ensuring products are technically accurate, adhere to style guidelines and meet intended outcomes.

Knowledge, skills and abilities required for this position include:

- Knowledge of effective social media and digital communications strategy, practices and policies.
- Ability to advise specialists and staff on social media platforms, policy and content to achieve program communications objectives.
- Experience managing official social media accounts as the primary administrator, including writing social media content and engaging with the public.
- Demonstrated expertise in planning, developing, editing, and providing final recommendations and approval for messaging and content shared on social media platforms.
- Knowledge of and skill in evaluating and reporting on the performance of messaging and campaigns on social media platforms using digital analytics tools.

Certifications Required: No certifications necessary

Education Required: Bachelor's degree preferred

Location: Washington, DC (500 C Street SW)

To Be Considered: Interested candidates should submit a resume summarizing work experience relevant to this position via email with the subject "Public Affairs Specialist – Social Content" to Gloria Huang at [HYPERLINK "mailto:gloria.huang@fema.dhs.gov"].

Resumes will be accepted through Tuesday, October 15, 2019.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

This position is being announced under FEMA's Cadre of On-call Response/Recovery Employee (CORE) Program. This is a temporary appointment in the Excepted Service, not to exceed 2 years, with the option to extend based on workload and funding availability. Veterans Preference does not apply to the CORE selection process.

If you receive a conditional offer of employment for this position, you will be required to complete an [HYPERLINK "https://www.opm.gov/forms/pdf_fill/OF0306.pdf"], and to sign and certify the accuracy of all information in your application, prior to entry on duty. False statements on any part of the application may result in withdrawal of offer of employment, dismissal after beginning work, fine, or imprisonment.

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Message

From: Strategic Communications Federal Community of Practice [STRATCOMM-COP@LIST.NIH.GOV]
on behalf of Schwartz, Kat (NIH/OD) [E] [kat.schwartz@NIH.GOV]
Sent: 5/21/2019 3:01:40 PM
To: STRATCOMM-COP@LIST.NIH.GOV
Subject: Re: Register today: Federal Communicators Network Social Media Event on 5/21
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

Does anyone know if they will be sending out a video of this morning's session? The video kept cutting out for me (and the chat box wasn't working).

It sounded interesting though!

Kat Schwartz
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From: Spicer, Purwaningrum W (Ningrum) <00000aef3e8d041a-dmarc-request@LIST.NIH.GOV>
Sent: Tuesday, May 21, 2019 9:23 AM
To: List STRATCOMM-COP <STRATCOMM-COP@LIST.NIH.GOV>
Subject: Re: Register today: Federal Communicators Network Social Media Event on 5/21

I had to refresh multiple times: http://www.ustream.tv/channel/pps-live

From: Strategic Communications Federal Community of Practice <STRATCOMM-COP@LIST.NIH.GOV> **On Behalf Of** Thomas, Jill (OJP)
Sent: Tuesday, May 21, 2019 9:15 AM
To: STRATCOMM-COP@LIST.NIH.GOV
Subject: Re: Register today: Federal Communicators Network Social Media Event on 5/21

We are trying to attend via live stream, but can't find the link to join. Has anyone successfully logged in?

Jill D. Thomas
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From: Strategic Communications Federal Community of Practice [mailto:STRATCOMM-COP@LIST.NIH.GOV] **On Behalf Of** Stevenson, Christine A.
Sent: Monday, May 20, 2019 7:43 AM
To: STRATCOMM-COP@LIST.NIH.GOV
Subject: Register today: Federal Communicators Network Social Media Event on 5/21

Hi all,

Sharing this in case you didn't see it on the FCN listserv. Reps from Twitter, Facebook, and LinkedIn have confirmed they will all be speaking.

Hope you can join us tomorrow!

Thanks,
Christine Stevenson
FCN 2019 Chair

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From: Federal Communicators Network <FCN@LIST.NIH.GOV> **On Behalf Of** Virginia Hyer (CENSUS/PIO FED)
Sent: Tuesday, May 14, 2019 12:51 PM
To: FCN@LIST.NIH.GOV
Subject: [FCN] Register today: Federal Communicators Network Event 5/21

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EVENT DETAILS

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Tuesday, May 21
8:30 a.m. Networking and continental breakfast
9:00 a.m. Social media experts panel and Q&A
10:00 a.m. Federal communicators panel discussion
11:00 a.m. Adjourn

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Sent: 5/3/2018 4:55:30 PM
To: Coviello, Nancy [Coviello.Nancy@epa.gov]
CC: Fan, Shirley [Fan.Shirley@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: EPA finalist?
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Sent: 5/10/2019 9:01:50 PM
To: FCN@LIST.NIH.GOV
Subject: [FCN] Breaking news! Twitter, FB, and LinkedIn are speaking at the May 21 FCN Social Media Event!

Hi All! Just a reminder to sign up for and attend the May 21 social media event, hosted by the Federal Communicators Network. Twitter, Facebook, and LinkedIn have confirmed they will all be speaking, as well as a few social media managers for some your favorite federal social media accounts: NASA, TSA, NWS, and GSA.

EVENT DETAILS

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- Providing customer service using social media platforms.
- Monitoring your agency's impact with social listening methods.
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Location

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Schedule - Tuesday, May 21
8:30 a.m. Networking and continental breakfast
9:00 a.m. Experts Panel and Q&A
10:00 a.m. Agency Panel and Q&A
11:00 a.m. Adjourn

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We encourage your agency's communications office to put out a news release/statement about your award and share the news internally with your colleagues and through your agency's social media channels. Please also feel free to pass along any news outlets that you would like us to get in touch with. In the meantime, attached is our **2019 Sammies Social Media Toolkit** – complete with important web links, handles, sample posts and our #Sammies2019 hashtag – that you are welcome and encouraged to use.

So far, a total of **six media personnel representing five different media outlets have RSVP'ed to attend/cover** this year's awards breakfast, with many more expected in the coming days. These outlets include *The New Yorker, CyberFeds, Federal News Network, Government Executive* and *The Federal Manager* magazine. Please note, I will be actively reaching out to many more media outlets throughout the weeks/months ahead, to include your local papers, alma maters and other national outlets. I will circle back with you as interview requests come in.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call me (or our social media associate, Meredith) at the contact info below.

Congratulations AGAIN on becoming a finalist this year and thank YOU for everything you do for our nation!

All the best,

Onamé and Meredith

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He is ready for you anytime between 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. tomorrow, as well as Friday – whichever works for you. He is super flexible and understands you are pretty busy tomorrow. Right now, he is ready for either window. If you have time tomorrow at 2 p.m. great but if you end up not having time… he can talk with you anytime on Friday.

From: Boyes, William <Boyes.William@epa.gov>
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So is he expecting me to call tomorrow at 2:00?

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FYI – I have confirmed with the Kevin at E&E News that your interview days/times work for him. When you phone him, please use his office line at 202-446-0401. Thanks!

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To: Boyes, William <Boyes.William@epa.gov>
Cc: Jones, Marjorie <Jones.Marjorie@epa.gov>
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Good afternoon Will,

Thank you for circling back so quickly and for passing along the photo. I have given the reporter a heads up that you will be calling him tomorrow or Friday. Have a nice afternoon!

Onamé

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Hi Oname

Today and tomorrow are pretty busy. I could talk with him between 2:00-3:00 pm tomorrow, or anytime on Friday (I'd be calling from home on Friday).

I've attached a head-shot.

Will

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Importance: High

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If so, Kevin can be reached via his office at 202-446-0401 or cell at Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) and his interview questions are as follows: How long have you served in government? How old are you? What are you most proud of in your work? What impact has your work had? What was your reaction to being named a 2019 Sammies finalist? ***Additionally, if you have ANY headshots you wish to pass along to the reporter, please feel free to send them my way.****

Last but not least, the reporter's story will NOT run until after 6 p.m. EST on Sunday, May 5. I will be sending you both an embargoed copy of our Sammies finalist press release and communications toolkit tomorrow (May 2) as it is still being finalized. Please stand by.

Thank you, hope to hear from you soon and if you have any questions please let me know.

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Note. This reporter also requested interviews with two other finalists.

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Sent: 5/1/2019 4:39:22 PM
To: MaGowan, Maricruz [MaGowan.Maricruz@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Your Sammies Finalist...RE: Newsletter articles for week of May 6, 2019

Hi Again, For Mass Mailers like messages from the administrator, as far as I'm aware there is no word count. Thanks, Nancy

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Sent: Wednesday, May 01, 2019 11:59 AM
To: Coviello, Nancy <Coviello.Nancy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Your Sammies Finalist...RE: Newsletter articles for week of May 6, 2019

Nancy:

What are the rules for the writing here, I guess it is not limited to the 200 words, is it?

Maricruz

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Sent: Wednesday, May 1, 2019 11:43 AM
To: Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>
Cc: AO OPA Internal Communications <AO_OPA_Internal_Communications@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Your Sammies Finalist...RE: Newsletter articles for week of May 6, 2019

Hi Nancy G.

We learned this morning that ORD has a Sammies finalist! See attached and below for information on the ORD finalist. In past years, the PSRW mass mailer has mentioned EPA's Sammies finalists. The finalist information is normally embargoed until midnight the Sunday before the announcement, which would be this Sunday May 5th. I'll try to confirm this year's embargo information. For informational purposes, you are welcome to review EPA's 2018 and 2017 PSRW/Sammies finalists messages.

Best, Nancy C.

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Hello again Will,

Onamé Thompson here, the Partnership for Public Service's press secretary. As promised, please find attached our press release, which we will be distributed nationwide this Sunday, May 5 at 6:00 p.m. EST to help kick off **Public Service Recognition Week** (May 5-11). **Please note, the press release as well as all of the finalist names are under embargo until Sun., May 5 at 6:00 p.m. ET.**

We encourage your agency's communications office to put out a news release/statement about your award and share the news internally with your colleagues and through your agency's social media channels. Please also feel free to pass along any news outlets that you would like us to get in touch with. In the meantime, attached is our **2019 Sammies**

Social Media Toolkit – complete with important web links, handles, sample posts and our #Sammies2019 hashtag – that you are welcome and encouraged to use.

So far, a total of **six media personnel representing five different media outlets have RSVP'ed to attend/cover** this year's awards breakfast, with many more expected in the coming days. These outlets include *The New Yorker, CyberFeds, Federal News Network, Government Executive* and *The Federal Manager* magazine. Please note, I will be actively reaching out to many more media outlets throughout the weeks/months ahead, to include your local papers, alma maters and other national outlets. I will circle back with you as interview requests come in.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call me (or our social media associate, Meredith) at the contact info below.

Congratulations AGAIN on becoming a finalist this year and thank YOU for everything you do for our nation!

All the best,

Onamé and Meredith

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From: Onamé Thompson
Sent: Wednesday, May 1, 2019 4:13 PM
To: Boyes, William <Boyes.William@epa.gov>
Cc: Jones, Marjorie <Jones.Marjorie@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Partnership for Public Service and interview request from E&E News

He is ready for you anytime between 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. tomorrow, as well as Friday – whichever works for you. He is super flexible and understands you are pretty busy tomorrow. Right now, he is ready for either window. If you have time tomorrow at 2 p.m. great but if you end up not having time… he can talk with you anytime on Friday.

From: Boyes, William <Boyes.William@epa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, May 1, 2019 4:03 PM
To: Onamé Thompson <OThompson@ourpublicservice.org>
Cc: Jones, Marjorie <Jones.Marjorie@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Partnership for Public Service and interview request from E&E News

So is he expecting me to call tomorrow at 2:00?

From: Onamé Thompson <OThompson@ourpublicservice.org>
Sent: Wednesday, May 01, 2019 3:51 PM
To: Boyes, William <Boyes.William@epa.gov>
Cc: Jones, Marjorie <Jones.Marjorie@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Partnership for Public Service and interview request from E&E News

FYI – I have confirmed with the Kevin at E&E News that your interview days/times work for him. When you phone him, please use his office line at 202-446-0401. Thanks!

From: Onamé Thompson
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Subject: RE: Partnership for Public Service and interview request from E&E News

Good afternoon Will,

Thank you for circling back so quickly and for passing along the photo. I have given the reporter a heads up that you will be calling him tomorrow or Friday. Have a nice afternoon!

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Hi Oname

Today and tomorrow are pretty busy. I could talk with him between 2:00-3:00 pm tomorrow, or anytime on Friday (I'd be calling from home on Friday).

I've attached a head-shot.

Will

From: Onamé Thompson <OThompson@ourpublicservice.org>
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To: Boyes, William <Boyes.William@epa.gov>
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Subject: Partnership for Public Service and interview request from E&E News
Importance: High

Good afternoon William,

My name is Onamé and I am the press secretary at the Partnership for Public Service. **Reporter** Kevin Bogardus **w/ E&E News** is writing a story about this year's *Service to America Medals* and has requested a phone interview with you about being named one of this year's finalists. As such, he would like to interview you anytime between now and close of business on Friday. **Might you be willing and available to chat with him?**

If so, Kevin can be reached via his office at 202-446-0401 or cell at Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) and his interview questions are as follows: How long have you served in government? How old are you? What are you most proud of in your work? What impact has your work had? What was your reaction to being named a 2019 Sammies finalist? ***Additionally, if you have ANY headshots you wish to pass along to the reporter, please feel free to send them my way.****

Last but not least, the reporter's story will NOT run until after 6 p.m. EST on Sunday, May 5. I will be sending you both an embargoed copy of our Sammies finalist press release and communications toolkit tomorrow (May 2) as it is still being finalized. Please stand by.

Thank you, hope to hear from you soon and if you have any questions please let me know.

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Note. This reporter also requested interviews with two other finalists.

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