From:	Balla, Richard
To:	Aliu, Dorina
Cc:	Olivero Lora, Sofia; Chan, Suilin; Finocchiaro, Marco; DAgostino, Daniel; Wong, Virginia; Ash, Christine; Brandt, Peter
Subject:	re: AX-22-000-1797 [South Fork Wind Farm Complaints: I inserted 2 editorial comments in the CAA elements and made some edits to the water parts. Also FYI, groundbreaking for this project happened last Friday. -rick
Date:	Thursday, February 17, 2022 8:33:54 AM
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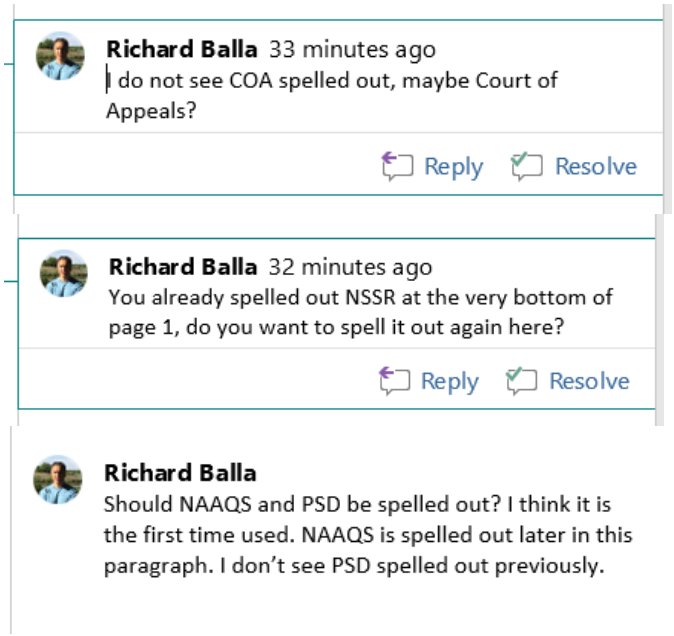
re: AX-22-000-1797 [South Fork Wind Farm Complaints:

I inserted 3 editorial comments in the CAA elements.



I made some edits to the water parts (both CWA and SDWA). (Mostly just that East Hampton is 2 words not 1 and that there are CWA and SDWA concerns raised. You can see my mark up in track changes.

Also FYI, as reported in Newsday, groundbreaking for this project happened last Friday (see attached articles).

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(re: AX-22-000-1797 [South Fork Wind Farm Complaints])

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"Justice will not be served until those who are unaffected are as outraged as those who are." — Benjamin Franklin

On Feb 16, 2022, at 3:25 PM, Aliu, Dorina <Aliu.Dorina@epa.gov> wrote:

Good Afternoon Suilin,

Thank you for the opportunity to review. The introductory language reads well and I have added a few minor comments to the CWA section.

Please see below for concurrence routing:

Christine Ash (ash.christine@epa.gov) Branch Chief, Watershed Management Branch
Javier Laureano (laureano.javier@epa.gov) Division Director, Water Division

Best,
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Good afternoon Suilin,

I have provided minor comments and edits to the Clean Water Act' sections 404 and 401(a)(2) portions of the letter for your consideration. Thank you the opportunity to review the compiled document.

Here is my chain of command for concurrence routing:

Marco Finocchiaro (cc'd) – Section Chief, Wetlands Protection Section
Richard Balla (balla.richard@epa.gov) Branch Chief, Watershed Management Branch
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Please let us know if there is anything else we need to address moving forward.

Thank you,

Sofía

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Dorina and Sofia,

Thank you again for your responses to the letters sent by the Citizens for the Preservation of Wainscott (CPW) regarding the South Fork wind energy project. As you know, CPW raised issues regarding the air permit that Region 1 issued the South Fork project as well as drinking water and wetland issues in East Hampton, NY that would result from the construction of the project. The letters were sent to the Administrator and assigned to Region 2 for a direct reply. Since both air and water issues were raised, my DD thought it would be more appropriate for Lisa to sign the response letter. Therefore, the response will be circulated to your Branch Chiefs and Director for concurrence. Please provide me with the names to include in the list.

The deadline for the response has been extended until March 8th. I have merged the air and water segments into one document. Although the air portion is still undergoing refinement at OGC, the water portion is done based on the information you sent me earlier in the month. I thought it would be good for you to see how the entire response looks like in final form. I had to add an introduction summarizing the air and water issues and some transitioning language too. Please take a look and let me know if you have any comments or suggestions.

Thanks,
Suilin