From: Greenberg, Marc
To: Goodfellow, Bill
Cc: Greg Schiefer
Subject: RE: FW: SETAC meeting focuses on Gulf Oil Spill. What have we learned?
Date: Sunday, February 13, 2011 2:54:12 PM

Bill/Greg,

Additional thought: SNA Technical Committee should be consulted regarding the Peer Review process and set up of an independent peer review panel (the new SOP should be put into action).

From: "Goodfellow, Bill" <bgoodfellow@eaest.com>

To: Marc Greenberg/ERT/R2/USEPA/US@EPA, Greg Schiefer <schiefer@setac.org>

Date: 02/11/2011 09:44 AM

Subject: RE: FW: SETAC meeting focuses on Gulf Oil Spill. What have we learned?

On Wednesday evening I had an excellent conversation with Rick Wenning at the Sediment Management Workgroup social at the Battelle Conference.

First, he also is interested in how he can help (from the journal perspective) for publishing. He did take the high road in that we should figure out which journal or both would be good for providing forums for publication of articles coming out of this focus topic meeting.

Second, he had a conversation a couple of weeks ago with Robin Bullock from BP. She was complaining about how BP has spent a ton of money on research and now a lot of it appears to be junk (and BP feels that the organizations are taking advantage of the situation). He proposed that maybe IEAM could set up a "blue ribbon panel" for reviewing the existing work by organizations and their on-going proposals as a independent peer review organization. The only thing Rick was worried about was himself being in conflict since ENVIRON is doing a lot with BP. I thought, maybe this is a place for SETAC and us setting up panels for independent peer review. We would have to be careful and it would be better that BP set up the need for competition (e.g., a reduction of research projects by 30% or something like that so any decision is not stating that your science is junk, it was just that others were better and we had to make a decision.

What do you think? Is this something we should further explore. I think we can set it up very transparent and independent. We would have to have some level of independent actions where we are making the final decisions and not BP. Could be a nice revenue stream for SETAC and we might be able to utilize the Steering Committee or most of them as the panel. This could be a logical outcome from our Focus Topic Meeting.

Bill

-----Original Message-----

From: Greenberg.Marc@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Greenberg.Marc@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Friday, February 11, 2011 12:55 AM

To: Greg Schiefer

Cc: Goodfellow, Bill

Subject: Re: FW: SETAC meeting focuses on Gulf Oil Spill. What have we learned?

Herb would be great. Mary McDaniel has agreed to moderate that session. I'm flying home tomorrow from NOLA and will be working up the latest on Fri and Sat. Lots to compile.

Marc S. Greenberg, Ph.D.

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-----Greg Schiefer <schiefer@setac.org> wrote: -----

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To: Marc Greenberg/ERT/R2/USEPA/US@EPA, "Goodfellow, Bill" <bgoodfellow@eaest.com>

From: Greg Schiefer <schiefer@setac.org>

Date: 02/10/2011 07:04PM

Subject: FW: SETAC meeting focuses on Gulf Oil Spill. What have we learned?

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This seems like a great option to me. What do you think?

Greg

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From: Herb Ward [wardch@rice.edu]

Sent: Thursday, February 10, 2011 5:35 PM

To: Greg Schiefer

Subject: Re: SETAC meeting focuses on Gulf Oil Spill. What have we learned?

I would enjoy that. How long do I have to decide if I can come?

On Feb 10, 2011, at 5:03 PM, Greg Schiefer wrote:

Herb,

That would be great if you could make it to the meeting! Perhaps you’d be interested in participating in our panel on Communication Challenges?

Greg

From: Herb Ward [mailto:wardch@rice.edu]

Sent: Thursday, February 10, 2011 5:00 PM

To: Greg Schiefer

Subject: Re: SETAC meeting focuses on Gulf Oil Spill. What have we learned?

Greg,

Mary Cormier just came in to tell me our phone system isn't working. I didn't know it. Thanks for trying.

Keep me posted.

I may try to come to this meeting if I can get away. It would help if I heard the presentations. Also, I have a long history in oil spills and oil biodegradation and last fall I helped the American Academy of Microbiology write a document on oil in the environment to help educate the public and reduce the amount of BS in the press.

Best,

Herb

On Feb 10, 2011, at 4:27 PM, Greg Schiefer wrote:

Hi Herb,

We are definitely thinking of some journal publications coming out of this. Probably a mix for both journals will be possible. With abstract submissions we are trying to get a feel for publication potential and making it clear that we are interested in that possibility. Hadn’t thought about a focus article but that seems like a good idea. I’ll suggest that to Marc Greenberg and Bill Goodfellow and keep you posted.

I just tried to give you a call but you must be on another call..

Greg

From: Herb Ward [mailto:wardch@rice.edu]

Sent: Thursday, February 10, 2011 2:44 PM

To: Greg Schiefer

Subject: Re: SETAC meeting focuses on Gulf Oil Spill. What have we learned?

Greg,

Do you think there may be papers coming out of this meeting that would be appropriate for ET&C? Do you plan to publish a proceedings? As a book? What about the prospects for an ET&C Focus article?

Thanks. Give me a call this afternoon if you have time.

Herb

On Feb 10, 2011, at 2:22 PM, Greg Schiefer wrote:

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* Tracy Collier, NOAA, moderator for the session on Ecosystem Effects of Oil Spills
* David Fritz, BP, panelist in Control and Abatement session
* Scott A. Stout, organic geochemist, moderator for Oil Fate and Transport Modeling
* Mace Barron, EPA/ORD Gulf Ecology Division, panelist on Aquatic Toxicology of Dispersants

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