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Cc: Dwyer, Stacey[Dwyer.Stacey@epa.gov]; Larsen, Brent[Larsen.Brent@epa.gov]; Balandran, Olivia-R[balandran.olivia-r@epa.gov]
From: Honker, William
Sent: Thur 6/8/2017 3:54:09 PM
Subject: RE: 6WQ ACTION ITEMS FOR WEEK ENDING IN JUNE 16

Here's what Sam had in the Hot Issues section of last week's report. There was no projection of resolution, so I think all is well.

Louisiana Offshore Oil Port (LOOP), LLC, Deepwater Port Complex, Louisiana

LOOP is the only port in the U.S. capable of offloading a wide range of vessels including Ultra Large Crude Carriers (ULCC) and Very Large Crude Carriers (VLCC) down to Medium Range (MR) Tankers. LOOP is a joint venture of Marathon Pipe Line LLC, Valero Terminal and Distribution Company, and Shell Oil Company. The water discharge permit is issued jointly by the state of Louisiana and Region 6, and the existing permit expired years ago. The Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality and Region 6 have been working with the facility to renew the discharge permit and incorporated whole effluent toxicity (WET) requirements for their brine discharge. On May 25, the parties met to discuss next steps.

Bill

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Subject: RE: 6WQ ACTION ITEMS FOR WEEK ENDING IN JUNE 16

Sam submitted this item to the administrator last week to be completed this week. So I'm not sure how we "take something back". I will let David and Sam know.

Diane

From: Restivo, Angela
Sent: Wednesday, June 07, 2017 3:24 PM
To: Taheri, Diane <Taheri.Diane@epa.gov>
Cc: Dwyer, Stacey <Dwyer.Stacey@epa.gov>; Honker, William <honker.william@epa.gov>; Larsen, Brent <Larsen.Brent@epa.gov>; Balandran, Olivia-R <balandran.olivia-r@epa.gov>
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Diane,

LOOP will not be completed by next week. This is a complex situation that will require a few more calls and meetings with the State and facility prior to us being able to finalize. Would it be best for us to take LOOP off of the Action Items list until we have met with the State and facility and are ready to finalize our letter? Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you.

Angela

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From: Taheri, Diane
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To: Balandran, Olivia-R <balandran.olivia-r@epa.gov>
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Subject: RE: 6WQ ACTION ITEMS FOR WEEK ENDING IN JUNE 16

Just FYI, Sam put the LOOP entry in his report to the administrator last week. Which means he was saying it would get completed this week. Let us know if it will slip past this week.

Diane

From: Balandran, Olivia-R
Sent: Wednesday, June 07, 2017 2:03 PM
To: Taheri, Diane <Taheri.Diane@epa.gov>
Cc: Larsen, Brent <Larsen.Brent@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: 6WQ ACTION ITEMS FOR WEEK ENDING IN JUNE 16

Diane,

Please see Brent's explanation for repeats.

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Subject: RE: 6WQ ACTION ITEMS FOR WEEK ENDING IN JUNE 16

Olivia:

Some of the actual action dates for activities that are still in negotiations/under review cannot be predicted with certainty and our understanding is that unless it is on the list covering the next week, it cannot be signed that next week. We therefore put then on the list if there is a chance it could break loose and be ready for signature during the week the action item list covers. Often it does not break loose and has to be repeated. Another reason for repeats is when information about the action changes, e.g., discovered would need to be in interim objection rather than a no objection on a state permit review.

If we are able to put it on one time and give a projected date or general range of time it will get signed, e.g., “sometime between June 12 and July 7” or “sometime after June 12”, then drop off future lists unless something significant changes and it is still OK to go any time after that, please let us know. E.g., good to go once on Action Items list at least once?

Sincerely,

Brent E. Larsen

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Diane is concerned we have too many repeats from week to week.

Can you provide justification so that Sam and David are made aware of this.

Olivia