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Subject: ACTION Items Due on 5/2/17 for the week of 5/8-12/2017

Hi Brent,

(Angela suggested that I list the LDEQ PQR and LOOP since they are still "pending." (My understanding is that the LDEQ PQR is "on hold" at the Branch-level due to lack of travel funds, but I am not clear on whether UPPER MGMT. has weighed in on the whole idea of what some may view as an "oversight" trip to the state??)

Upcoming Meeting/Program Review

- **Type of Event:** Preliminary discussions with Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ) to set up the FY17 National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Program - Permit Quality Review (PQR) – (EPA R6 FY17 commitment)
- **Date/Place of the Event:** Need to contact and coordinate with LDEQ **ASAP** regarding the proposed review dates. (EPA has significant preparation work prior to this review.) We will propose that the PQR occur mid-June 2017/@ LDEQ offices
- **Description of the event/subject matter:** PQRs assess whether a state adequately implements the requirements of the NPDES program as reflected in the permit and other supporting documents. PQRs are intended to promote national consistency, identify successes in implementing the NPDES program, and establishes opportunities for improvement in developing NPDES permits and can be helpful in identifying areas for training or guidance.
- **EPA Participants involved in the event:** R6WQ-PO staff, and possibly EPA HQs OWM-WPD staff/contractor support
- **Approximate Number of people in attendance:** R6WQ-PO (1 or 2) and EPA HQs/contractor (1 or 2)

Louisiana Offshore Oil Port (LOOP), LLC, Deepwater Port Complex, (joint venture of Marathon Pipe Line LLC, Valero Terminal and Distribution Company, and Shell Oil Company) (LPDES Permit No. LA0049492, AI No. 4634) - State Permit Review and EPA Permit Issuance

The existing wastewater permit which was jointly issued by EPA & LDEQ expired September 30, 2013. EPA and LDEQ are continuing to work together on the proposed reissuance of the permit regarding appropriate permit requirements for brine discharges. This situation is similar to the Strategic Petroleum Reserves (SPR) under the U.S. Department of Energy, (Big Hill Oil Storage, TX0092827, and Bryan Mound Oil Storage, TX0074012).EPA reissued these permits in November 2014. Next steps for LOOP will likely include conference calls between EPA, LDEQ and LOOP. The joint LDEQ/EPA permit will be reissued ASAP. R6 upper management briefings are planned to begin in May 2017. Based on conversations with LDEQ the first week of April 2017, R6 anticipates the receipt of LDEQ's proposal regarding a possible alternate approach for the brine discharge permit requirements.

City of Westwego, Wastewater Treatment Plant (LPDES Permit No. LA0038059, AI No. 4857) - State Permit Review

This facility is a 3 MGD "major" Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW) which does not appear to have controversial issues. Upon further review of the proposed permit, EPA will determine the appropriate response for issuance to LDEQ, as soon as possible, but no later than May 19, 2017.