From: Amato, Paul
To: Montgomery, Michael; Torres, Tomas
Cc: HODGE, DON; Macler, Bruce; Garcia-Bakarich, Luis
Subject: Erin Brockovich visit to Stockton next week
Date: Wednesday, January 20, 2016 1:31:00 PM
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Mike and Tomás,

I believe I mentioned yesterday that Erin Brockovich is going to be in Stockton next week and from what I can tell, attending a public meeting regarding Stockton's switch to chloramine. She's been pretty vocal about it and negative towards the city. We had an inquiry from this reporter yesterday asking about EPA's position on chloramine and OPA provided him with a link to R9's Chloramine website and some information compiled by Luis.

This is for your situational awareness but also to check whether you think we should jump in with HQ to potentially address this inquiry further. The story will apparently run this weekend and the reporter has indicated that concerns are heightened in light of what's happened in Flint.

Paul

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Sent: Wednesday, January 20, 2016 1:06 PM
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Subject: FW: MARY ACTION: DDL TBD; THE RECORD (STOCKTON, CA); chloramines

Let your folks know about Erin Brockavich's vist to Stockton….and if there's any more help we can help provide HQ

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Subject: Re: MARY ACTION: DDL TBD; THE RECORD (STOCKTON, CA); chloramines

Looping in Bill and Soledad. I believe this reporter reached out to us yesterday...

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 20, 2016, at 11:23 AM, "Daguillard, Robert" <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Follow-up from the reporter. + Kelly (R9) for awareness. More reporting is likely with next week's celebrity visit:

"Well, here's the thing, Erin Brockovich is coming to town early next week and I've got to put some science out there before she comes (we're going to have to publish this weekend).

That having been said, I'm casting a very wide net on this and have gotten some good info from outside experts/other agencies. So it's probably not the end of the world if you're not able to respond this week. Whatever EPA is eventually able to provide will help inform our future reporting on the subject.

Thank you!"

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Subject: RE: MARY ACTION: DDL TBD; THE RECORD (STOCKTON, CA); chloramines

Thanks, Robert. I agree that we should push the deadline to Monday. Our folks are swamped and could use the time.

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Subject: MARY ACTION: DDL TBD; THE RECORD (STOCKTON, CA); chloramines

This writer has already written about the topic – and about Erin Brockovich's Facebook posting on same. Other stories by different outlets here and here. With the bad weather coming our way, I'll ask him to push his deadline back until next week, unless you think we can get him something by tomorrow COB. Let me know.

Thanks, R.

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From: Breitler, Alex
Sent: Wednesday, January 20, 2016 1:11 PM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: chloramines

Thanks for responding!

I don't know where to even begin in telling you what people are saying. My sense is that the biggest local concern at the moment is the possibility of chloramines causing corrosion in the pipes, in light of what is happening in Flint. But I'm getting the whole gamut of questions that you all have likely heard before -- perceived public health impacts, "if the water is toxic for fish how can it be OK for me," etc etc.

So yes, I'm interested in both EPA and non-EPA studies -- whatever your folks think are most pertinent to educate a community on this subject.

I know this is kind of broad, but thanks for anything you can do. Sometime this week would be great if you can swing it.

Thanks again,

Alex

On Wed, Jan 20, 2016 at 6:16 AM, Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

> Yes, we're happy to help. How will the information we send you fit into your larger story? I assume you've spoken to others? If so, have they made comments you'd like us to respond to?
> Also and since you want to write about the science on chloramines, I assume you're

looking for the latest studies generally and not just by EPA scientists, right?
Last but not least, what's your deadline?
Thanks, R.
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From: Breitler, Alex
Sent: Wednesday, January 20, 2016 2:24 AM
To: Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>
Subject: chloramines

Hi Robert,

My name is Alex Breitler. I'm a reporter with The Record newspaper out in Stockton, CA.

Our city is switching from chlorine disinfectant to chloramines, and it has suddenly become quite controversial. I'm trying to track down the latest and best science on chloramines, but the EPA guidance document that I found tonight dates back to 1994: http://cfpub.epa.gov/ncea/risk/recordisplay.cfm?deid=2829&CFID=44537175&CFTOKEN=48964464

Would someone possibly be able to tell me whether any more current studies have been done? Not sure if this is a question best put to headquarters to to Region 9 staff, but maybe you can point me in the right direction.

Thanks,
Alex

--
Alex Breitler
reporter