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Subject: Re: oversight update

Awesome thanks for the hard work

On Apr 29, 2019, at 4:30 PM, Brazauskas, Joseph <brazauskas.joseph@epa.gov> wrote:

KEY POINTS:

- **Total Pages of Documents Provided** – 7,876

- **Total Requests/Letters Received** – As of Monday, April 29th, 2019, the EPA has received a ***total of 28 oversight requests/letters***, during the 116th Congress including the following:
  - 18 **House** Letters/Requests
    - 7 - Energy & Commerce (E&C)
      - Total Pages Provided: 6,818 (18 *in camera*)
    - 4 - Oversight & Reform
      - Total Pages Provided: 0
    - 4 - Science, Space, and Technology (1 w/ EPW Minority)
      - Total Pages Provided: 790
    - 1 - Transportation & Infrastructure (T&I)
      - Total Pages Provided: 44
    - 2 - Appropriations (1 w/ S-Approps Minority)
      - Total Pages Provided: 0
  - 9 **Senate** Letters/Requests
    - 4 – Environment & Public Works (EPW) (all Minority – 1 w/ SST Majority)
      - Total Pages Provided: 0
    - 2 – Homeland Security & Governmental Affairs (HSGAC)
      - 1 HSGAC Permanent Sub. on Investigations (PSI) (Bipartisan)
        - Total Pages Provided: 44
      - 1 Minority
        - Total Pages Provided: 44
    - 2 Appropriations (all Minority – 1 w/ H-Approps Majority)
      - Total Pages Provided: 0
    - 1 Joint Senate Committees
      - 1 – EPW, HSGAC, HELP, SASC (Minority)
        - Total Pages Provided: 0
  - 3 Additional Letters from Senators/Representatives
    - Total Pages Provided: 0
- EPA has provided a ***response to a total of 16 of the 25 oversight related letters*** where the requested deadline has passed.
- Total Letter Responses – 28 (1 responded to 3 House Oversight & Reform letters)
  - Substantive EPA Letter Responses – 24 (1 responded to 3 House Oversight & Reform letters)

- **Calls with Committee Staff** – at least 27
  - House E&C – Bi-Weekly calls with Committee staff, issue specific calls (2/5, 2/20, 2/28, 3/5, 3/12, 3/21, 3/26, 4/26)

- House T&I – 5+ calls with Committee staff regarding letters and briefings (2/11)
- House Oversight & Reform – 10+ calls with Committee staff regarding letters, briefings, and hearings (2/12, 2/19, 3/1, 3/4, 3/6)
- House Approps – Multiple calls with Committee staff on specific issues in addition to weekly calls with EPA OCFO staff (4/11)

- **Total Staff Hours on Oversight** – 3,549

EPA WITNESSES PROVIDED – COMMITTEE HEARINGS/BRIEFINGS:

- Briefings (23)
  - 2/8 – House E&C – **EPA Enforcement**
    - Patrick Traylor, Deputy Assistant Administrator for the Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance (OECA)
  - 2/11 – House Appropriations – **Regional Office Realignment**
    - Donna Vizian, Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator for the Office of Mission Support (OMS)
  - 2/22 – (1) House E&C and (2) House-Wide – **PFAS Action Plan**
    - Jennifer McLain, Office of Water; Larry Starfield, Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance; Tala Henry, Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention; Stiven Foster, Office of Land and Emergency Management; Andrew Gillespie/Bruce Rodan, Office of Research and Development
  - 2/28 – House Appropriations – **ORD Reorganization**
    - Chris Robbins, Deputy Assistant Administrator for Management for Office of Research and Development (ORD); Amanda Fitzmoris, Confidential Assistant, ORD
  - 3/1 – House Appropriations – **PFAS Action Plan**
    - Jennifer McLain, Office of Water; Larry Starfield, Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance; Tala Henry, Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention; Stiven Foster, Office of Land and Emergency Management; Andrew Gillespie/Bruce Rodan, Office of Research and Development
  - 3/4 – House Appropriations Briefing – **EPA Enforcement**
    - Patrick Traylor, Patrick Traylor, the Deputy Assistant Administrator for the Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance (OECA)
  - 3/7 – House Appropriations Briefing – **SRF**
    - Paige Hanson, Associate Chief Financial Officer for Policy, OCFO; Greg Spraul, Office of Water (OW)
  - 3/13 – House Science Briefing – **ORD Reorganization**
    - Jennifer Orme-Zavaleta, Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator for Science for Office of Research and Development
  - 3/15 – House Appropriations Briefing – **PRIA/Pesticide User Fee Reporting**
  - 3/29 – House E&C – **EPA Enforcement Follow-Up (Regional Comments on State-Federal Cooperation Interim Guidance *In Camera* Review)**
    - Patrick Traylor, Patrick Traylor, the Deputy Assistant Administrator for the Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance (OECA)
  - 4/1 – House T&I Briefing on **Water Quality Trading**
    - Lee Forsgren, Deputy Assistant Administrator (OW); Anna Wildeman, Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator (OW)
  - 4/2 – House Science Briefing – **ORD Budget**
  - 4/4 – House T&I Briefing – **EPA's FY2020 Budget**
    - Office of Water (OW) (Benita Best-Wong, Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator; Sharon Vazquez; Laura Drummond
    - Office of Land & Emergency Mgmt. (OLEM) (Reggie Cheatham, Director, Office of Emergency Management; Greg Gervais, Acting Director, Federal Facilities Restoration and Reuse Office; David Lloyd, Director, Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization; Jim Woolford, Director, Office of Superfund Remediation and Technology Innovation; Melanie C. Keller, Congressional Liaison; Jennifer Wilbur, Senior Budget Officer)

- 4/12 – House E&C Briefing – **OMEGA Overview**
    - Office of Air and Radiation (OAR) – Bill Charmley, Director of the Assessment and Standards Division, Office of Transportation and Air Quality; Ben Hengst, Acting Office Director of the Office of Transportation and Air Quality
- 4/16 – House Ag Briefing – **Sulfoxaflor and Aldicarb**
- 4/23 – House/Senate Approps Briefing – **Leaking Underground Storage Tanks (LUST) Overview**
    - Mark Barolo, UST
- 4/23 – House/Senate Approps Briefing – **US Mexico Border Infrastructure Program**
    - Office of Water (OW) – Ryan King, Daniel Malloy, Claudia Hosch (Region 6), Doug Eberhardt (Region 9)
- 4/23 – House/Senate Approps Briefing – **Fixed Costs**
    - Office of Chief Financial Officer (OCFO) – Carol Terris, Maria Williams
- 4/25 – House/Senate Approps Briefing – **Environmental Justice/Community Revitalization**
    - Mathew Tejada, Director of the Office of Environmental Justice
    - Office of Policy (OP) – Daisy Letrendre, Office of Policy
    - Office of Community Revitalization (OCR) - Matthew Dalbey, Chitra Kumar
- 4/25 – House/Senate Approps Briefing – **Inland Oil Spill Program Overview**
    - Reggie Cheatham, OEM
- 4/25 – House/Senate Approps Briefing – **Brownfields Reauthorization Implementation and BUILD Act**
    - Patricia Overmeyer, Brownfields and Land Revitalization;
    - Meredith Serbing, Office of Land and Emergency Management (OLEM)
- 4/25 – House/Senate Approps Briefing – **Superfund Program and Task Force Update**
    - Office of Land and Emergency Management (OLEM) – Meredith Serbing, James Woolford

- Hearings (8)
    - 2/12 – House E&C Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations – **EPA Enforcement**
        - Susan Bodine, Assistant Administrator for the Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance (OECA)
    - 3/6 – House Oversight and Reform Subcommittee on Environment - **PFAS**
        - Dave Ross, Assistant Administrator for the Office of Water (OW)
        - Other Witness: Maureen Sullivan (DoD)
    - 3/13 – House Oversight and Reform Hearing - **FOIA**
        - Tim Epp, Acting Director of the National FOIA Office
        - Other Witnesses: Melanie Ann Pustay (DOJ), Director, Office of Information Policy; Rachel Spector (Interior), Acting Deputy Chief FOIA Officer
    - 3/27 – House Science, Space, and Technology Hearing – **IRIS Program**
        - Jennifer Orme-Zavaleta, Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator for Science for Office of Research and Development
        - Other Witnesses: Alfredo Gomez (GAO), Director, Natural Resources & Envm
    - 3/28 – Senate EPW Hearing – **PFAS**
        - Dave Ross, Assistant Administrator for the Office of Water (OW)
        - Other Witnesses: Linda Birnbaum (NIH), Patrick Breysse (ATSDR), Maureen Sullivan (DoD)
    - 4/2 – House Appropriations Hearing – **EPA's FY2020 Budget**
        - Andrew Wheeler, Administrator; Holly Greaves, Chief Financial Officer
    - 4/3 – Senate Appropriations Heating – **EPA's FY2020 Budget**
        - Andrew Wheeler, Administrator; Holly Greaves, Chief Financial Officer
    - 4/9 – House E&C Hearing – **EPA's FY2020 Budget**
        - Andrew Wheeler, Administrator; Holly Greaves, Chief Financial Officer

- Potential Upcoming Hearings and Briefings

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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