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Good morning Brandon and Twila,

I am Stacey Dwyer, Acting Deputy Director in the Water Division at the US EPA in Dallas, Texas. I talked with Rusty Swafford this morning and he recommended that I follow up with the both of you.

EPA is in the process of working with the State of Louisiana in drafting a joint NPDES permit (renewal) for the LOOP facility (Deepwater port). LOOP has outfalls discharging to State waters (concentrated brine discharge from 8 salt caverns) and outfalls in Federal waters (Oil/water separator, sewage treatment & non-contact cooling water). In the proposed permit, LOOP has asked for EPA to include a new outfall in Federal waters for discharges from a desalination unit. I have attached a schematic provided by LOOP to this email.

To ensure that EPA meets all the consultation requirements, we are requesting a face to face meeting with you next week in Baton Rouge. It is important that EPA understands the type of analysis required and discuss timeframes. In addition, it is possible that the US Coast Guard and MIRAD would like to attend this meeting with us to ensure that they are meeting all consultation requirements.

I understand that you may have availability to meet with us on either Tuesday, February 6th or Thursday, February 8th in Baton Rouge. Please email me as soon as possible to let me know your availability on these days.

Thank you,

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