Message

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Sent: 3/20/2015 12:50:28 PM
To: Manjyot Bhan [manjyot.bhan@student.american.edu]; Vendinello, Lynn [Vendinello.Lynn@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: follow up-dissertation interviews

Hi Manjyot,

It was a pleasure talking to you as well.

I don't have any specific contacts for the NGOs. When you contact them, ask them about the PFC work and they'll direct you to the appropriate contact.

I cannot speculate why companies weren't more forthcoming with their experiences about the Stewardship Program. One of the reasons could be that the stewardship Program has not yet concluded and the SNUR has not yet been finalized, and hence the hesitation in making future-looking statements beyond what they have already said – i.e., they are on track to meet the 2015 phaseout goal.

Thanks,

Toni Krasnic
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From: Manjyot Bhan [mailto:manjyot.bhan@student.american.edu]
Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2015 4:55 PM
To: Krasnic, Toni; Vendinello, Lynn
Subject: Re: follow up-dissertation interviews

Dear Toni and Lynn:

It was a pleasure speaking with you both today. Thank you for taking the time to talk to me about the current status of the PFOA Stewardship Partnership.

Toni--thank you very much for providing me the names of the NGOs. Any specific individuals you may suggest? I will go their respective websites and try to narrow down on some people.

I forgot to discuss this during our call today: in terms of industry partners, I was only able to to speak to Mark Greenwood (Daikin), Warren Lehrenbaum (Asahi), and Laura Korte (DuPOnt--she provided me a written comment). The other companies either did not respond to my request for interview or directed me to ACC's FluroCouncil. The FluoroCouncil communications head provided me some links I could go to in order to get more information.

In a nutshell, my experience with the chemical companies is that they are reticent to talk about this issue. Is there any sensitively around PFOA from the industry side? Let me know what you think may be the reasons why they are not open to freely discuss the Stewardship Partnership.

Thank you so much for constant your time and support. I look forward to staying in touch.

Best wishes,
Manjyot

On Thu, Mar 19, 2015 at 4:45 PM, Krasnic, Toni <krasnic.toni@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Manjyot,

Below, please find the NGOs who've been involved with perfluorinated chemicals:

- Environmental defense
- EWG
- Greenpeace
- WWF

Let me know if I can help with anything else.

Good luck with completing your dissertation!

Best,

Toni Krasnic

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From: Manjyot Bhan [mailto:manjyot.bhan@student.american.edu]
Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2015 2:09 PM
To: Krasnic, Toni
Cc: Vendinello, Lynn; Passe, Loraine
Subject: Re: follow up-dissertation interviews

Sounds good, Toni. I look forward to speaking with you and Lynn at 3:30 pm.

Thank you,

Manjyot

On Thu, Mar 19, 2015 at 1:21 PM, Krasnic, Toni <krasnic.toni@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Manjyot,

We'll call you at 3:30. I think this call will suffice.

Thanks,

Toni Krasnic

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From: Manjyot Bhan [mailto:manjyot.bhan@student.american.edu]
Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2015 11:43 AM
To: Krasnic, Toni
Cc: Vendinello, Lynn; Passe, Loraine
Subject: Re: follow up-dissertation interviews

Dear Toni:

Thanks for your email. Yes, I am available today anytime between 2 to 4 pm. Please let me know when you and Lynn are available. You can reach me at 202-716-0470.

Also, in order to get a variety of perspectives, Dan (my chair) recommended I reach out to Ms. Louise Wise who further suggested I speak with Ms. Wendy Clenland-Hamnett. If you think this call would suffice, then that works for me. Sorry for any confusion caused.

Thanks,

Manjyot

On Thu, Mar 19, 2015 at 8:16 AM, Krasnic, Toni <krasnic.toni@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Manjyot,

Are you available today? What time?

Lynn, my deputy division director, would like to join the call. Is there a number where we can call you?

I noticed you also contacted the Office Director and Division Director. Are you hoping to interview them separately or will an interview with me and Lynn suffice? Thanks for clearing up the confusion from multiple requests to different people.

Thanks,

Toni Krasnic

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From: Manjyot Bhan [mailto:manjyot.bhan@student.american.edu]
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2015 12:38 PM

To: Krasnic, Toni
Subject: Re: follow up-dissertation interviews

Hi Toni:

Thanks for your note. Unfortunately, next Thursday I am volunteering all day for an event at AU so that may not work. Can you suggest sometimes for Monday/ Tuesday next week, since they are completely open as of now. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Thanks and talk soon,

Manjyot

On Tue, Mar 17, 2015 at 7:34 AM, Krasnic, Toni <krasnic.toni@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Manjyot,

Happy to hear you're still on track to graduate by summer! Congratulations!

Sure, we can talk next week. How's Thu, 3/26 at 4PM? You can call me at 202-564-0984.

Thanks,

Toni Krasnic

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From: Manjyot Bhan [mailto:manjyot.bhan@student.american.edu]
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2015 5:33 PM
To: Krasnic, Toni

Subject: Re: follow up-dissertation interviews

Dear Toni:

Hope this email finds you well. I am writing to update you that I am making good progress on my PhD dissertation and planning to finish up and graduate this summer.

Going back to my interview notes with you and Nick last Fall, I was reminded that the information you both provided was very insightful for my research. I was wondering if we should set up a time soon to touch base and if you could provide me with the current status of the Stewardship Partnership. I am especially interested to learn more about the implications of the recently released (January 2015) SNUR to phase out PFOA. Let me know if you and any of your colleagues are available to chat on the phone about the same during the week of March 23rd. I would highly benefit from our follow up discussion.

Hope to hear back from you soon.

Best,

Manjyot

On Wed, Dec 3, 2014 at 2:08 PM, Manjyot Bhan <manjyot.bhan@student.american.edu> wrote:

> Thanks Toni!
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> Hope you are well.
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> Happy Holidays!

Best,

Manjyot

On Tue, Dec 2, 2014 at 9:08 AM, Krasnic, Toni <krasnic.toni@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Manjyot,

Nick is on vacation this week.

Richard's email is richard@edf.org.

Thanks,

Toni Krasnic

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From: Manjyot Bhan [mailto:manjyot.bhan@student.american.edu]
Sent: Monday, December 01, 2014 10:38 AM
To: Nairn-Birch, Nicholas; Krasnic, Toni

Subject: Re: follow up-dissertation interviews

Dear Nick,

Thanks for your prompt response and for the suggestion. I have definitely come across his work on TSCA reform. Any chance you have his contact/ e-mail information that you would be willing to share with me?

Best wishes,
Manjyot

On Mon, Dec 1, 2014 at 10:23 AM, Nairn-Birch, Nicholas <Nairn-Birch.Nicholas@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Manjyot,

Environmental Defense Fund has been very active in analyzing/critiquing CDR data in the past. I'd recommend contacting them. I believe Richard Denison heads up this project.

Cheers,

Nick

From: Manjyot Bhan <manjyot.bhan@student.american.edu>
Sent: Monday, December 1, 2014 10:18 AM

To: Krasnic, Toni
Cc: Nairn-Birch, Nicholas
Subject: Re: follow up-dissertation interviews

Dear Toni and Nick:

Hope this email finds you well and that you both had a great Thanksgiving!

I am slowly but steadily making progress on my dissertation research and thanks to you, I have been able to connect with many companies involved in the PFOA Stewardship Program.

I had another request, which I hope you can help me with. In order to gain a multi-stakeholder perspective, I am planning to interview people from the NGO community who in some way have engaged with the EPA or with the participating companies through the PFOA Stewardship Program. Could you provide me some contacts of the relevant people from that group whom I can connect with?

I would really appreciate it.

Thank you for all your time and help!

Best wishes,
Manjyot

On Fri, Aug 15, 2014 at 11:49 AM, Manjyot Bhan <manjyot.bhan@student.american.edu> wrote:

Dear Toni and Nick:

Thank you very much for your quick response and for providing me with all the contacts.

I really appreciate all your help!

Have a great weekend.

Best,

Manjyot

On Fri, Aug 15, 2014 at 11:09 AM, Krasnic, Toni <krasnic.toni@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Manjyot,

Thanks for the update.

Here's the contact info:

- Karl Weilandt 651-575-3722 kweilandt@mmm.com
- Erin Russell, Clariant 704-331-7059; Erin.Russell@clariant.com
- Mark Greenwood, Daikin 202-650-5521 mark@greenwood-env.com
- Laura Korte, DuPont 302-999-3651 laura.a.korte@usa.dupont.com
- Rebecca Bernstein, Arkema 215-419-5415 rebecca.bernstein@arkema.com
- Warren Lehrenbaum, Asahi 202-624-2755 wlehrenbaum@crowell.com
- Patrick (Pat) Meyer, BASF 734-324-6210 patrick.meyer@basf.com

- Virginia (Ginny) Hubert, Solvay 713-525-6051 Virginia.Hubert@solvay.com

Thanks,

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From: Manjyot Bhan [mailto:manjyot.bhan@student.american.edu]
Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2014 1:15 PM

To: Krasnic, Toni
Cc: Nairn-Birch, Nicholas
Subject: Re: follow up-dissertation interviews

Dear Toni and Nick:

Hope this email finds you well. As per your recommendation, I tried contacting the American Chemistry Council that represents DuPont, BASF, 3M etc, and they asked me to get in touch with the companies directly to learn more about the PFOA program. It would really appreciate it if you could share with me the names and contact information of the representatives from the companies that you are currently working with for the PFOA program.

Thank you very much for all your time and help. I look forward to hearing from you!

Best,

Manjyot

On Wed, Aug 6, 2014 at 10:26 PM, Manjyot Bhan <manjyot.bhan@student.american.edu> wrote:

Thank you both! I look forward to being in touch.

Best,

Manjyot

On Wed, Aug 6, 2014 at 4:38 AM, Krasnic, Toni <krasnic.toni@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Manjyot,

Great to meet you!

It's an interesting topic on a question that many have asked so it will be of much general interest once you finish it.

Best,

Toni Krasnic

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From: Nairn-Birch, Nicholas
Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2014 4:25 PM
To: Manjyot Bhan; Krasnic, Toni

Subject: RE: follow up-dissertation interviews

Hi Manjyot,

It was a pleasure – good luck with your research!

Cheers,

Nick

Dr. Nicholas Nairn-Birch
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From: Manjyot Bhan [mailto:manjyot.bhan@student.american.edu]
Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2014 4:08 PM
To: Krasnic, Toni
Cc: Nairn-Birch, Nicholas
Subject: Re: follow up-dissertation interviews

Dear Toni and Nick:

It was a pleasure meeting you both. Thank you for your valuable time and for a great discussion on the Stewardship Partnership. I look forward to being in touch!

Have a great rest of your week.

Best,

Manjyot

On Tue, Aug 5, 2014 at 1:07 PM, Krasnic, Toni <krasnic.toni@epa.gov> wrote:

> Hi Manjyot,

See you at 2.

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From: Manjyot Bhan [mailto:manjyot.bhan@student.american.edu]
Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2014 12:37 PM
To: Krasnic, Toni
Cc: Nairn-Birch, Nicholas

Subject: Re: follow up-dissertation interviews

Dear Toni and Nick:

I am writing to confirm out 2 pm meeting today. I look forward to it.

See you soon,

Manjyot

On Wed, Jul 30, 2014 at 11:57 AM, Manjyot Bhan <mb6020a@student.american.edu> wrote:

> Dear Toni:
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> Thanks for the quick follow up and the information. I look forward to meeting you and Nick next week 8/5 at 2 pm to discuss the PFOA Stewardship Partnership.
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> Have a great rest of your week!

Best,

Manjyot

On Jul 30, 2014, at 11:43 AM, "Krasnic, Toni" <krasnic.toni@epa.gov> wrote:

Dear Manjyot,

Thank you for your interest in meeting with us to discuss the PFOA Stewardship Program.

Nick and I can meet with you on 8/5, 2-3pm.

Please enter at the 1201 Constitution Avenue NW entrance of William Jefferson Clinton Building East. Once there, please call Nick at 202-564-3668 so he can walk you to our meeting room.

We're looking forward to meeting you!

Sincerely,

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From: Manjyot Bhan [mailto:manjyot.bhan@student.american.edu]
Sent: Wednesday, July 23, 2014 12:37 PM
To: Flattery, Priscilla
Subject: follow up-dissertation interviews

Dear Priscilla:

I am following up on our recent phone call. My name is Manjyot Bhan, and I am a PhD candidate in Public Administration/ Environmental Policy at the School of Public Affairs, American University, Washington, DC.

I am contacting you to request the participation of some relevant EPA representatives at the Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (chemicals division) in a study I am conducting for my dissertation that examines the PFOA Stewardship Partnership. For the purpose of this study, I am interested in learning more about the motivations behind the creation of the Stewardship Partnership and perceptions of its effectiveness. I will take steps to ensure that any information shared with me will be confidential and will not be attributable to the interview participants in any way. The in-person interview should take around 45-60 minutes of their time.

My suggested timeframe: The week of July 28th (except 7/30) and week of August 4 (except 8/7). Let me know if any of these weeks work, else I can suggest some weeks further out.

Thank you very much for your help and assistance. I look forward to hearing from you regarding scheduling the interview(s).

Let me know if you have any questions/ concerns.

Best,

Manjyot

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