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Subject: Re: From Washington Post

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From: Stromberg, Stephen [mailto:Stephen.Stromberg@washpost.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 25, 2018 10:35 AM
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Subject: RE: From Washington Post

Thanks, Liz. By "The Agency's offices should be guided by this policy to the maximum extent practicable", do you mean that it would not be an iron-clad requirement? That is, if there were no other way to quantify the health effects of air pollution on human beings, the EPA would consider studies that rely on, say, confidential patient information?

Thanks.

Best,
Steve

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From: Bowman, Liz [mailto:Bowman.Liz@epa.gov]
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Subject: FW: From Washington Post

With regard to the biomass decision, EU to this day recognizes biomass as a carbon neutral form of energy production. California and other states in the North East also recognize that biomass is a carbon neutral form of energy production in their state renewable portfolio standards.

On the proposed science transparency policy: The Agency's offices should be guided by this policy to the maximum extent practicable during ongoing regulatory action, even where such research has already been generated, solicited, or obtained.

EO 13777 on reg reform calls on task forces to identify for repeal/replace/modify existing "regulations that rely in whole or in part on data, information, or methods that are not publicly available or that are insufficiently transparent to meet the standard for reproducibility."

Proposed rule also requests comment on:

- EPA seeks comment on the effective date of a rule as well as on whether the Agency should seek to phase-in the requirements for certain significant regulatory actions or seek to prioritize specific actions.
- For regulatory programs, like the National Ambient Air Quality Standards program, in which future significant regulatory actions may be based on the administrative record from previous reviews - particularly where the governing statute requires repeated review on a fixed, date-certain cycle -EPA seeks comment on the manner in which this proposed rule should apply to that previous record.
- EPA also solicits comments on whether and how the proposed rule should apply to dose response data and models underlying pivotal regulatory science if those data and models were developed prior to the effective date.
- In addition, EPA seeks comment on how the prospective or retrospective application of the provisions for dose response data and models or pivotal regulatory science could inadvertently introduce bias regarding the timeliness and quality of the scientific information available.

Thank you – Liz

From: Stromberg, Stephen [mailto:Stephen.Stromberg@washpost.com]
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Subject: RE: From Washington Post

Hi Liz,

I had planned on filing this afternoon – at 4 – but I can probably push to tomorrow if that helps.

Thanks.

Best,
Steve

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Hi Stephen – What is your deadline on this?

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Hi Liz and Jahan,

I'm working on an editorial today about Administrator Pruitt's Monday biomass decision and today's secret science decision. The first ratifies a mistake the Europeans made years ago in how to account for emissions from biomass. The second would throw out long-established research and make it difficult/impossible for scientifically valid work to be included in EPA decisions. Any response?

Thanks.

Best,
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