Message

From: Birchfield, Norman [Birchfield.Norman@epa.gov]
Sent: 5/9/2019 1:03:08 PM
To: Picardi, Rick [Picardi.Rick@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: PFAS disposal background document for Region 5 RA RE: ACTION: AMWA Conference 5/14

Thank you!

From: Picardi, Rick
Sent: Thursday, May 09, 2019 8:54 AM
To: Birchfield, Norman <Birchfield.Norman@epa.gov>
Cc: Huggins, Richard <Huggins.Richard@epa.gov>; Radtke, Meghan <Radtke.Meghan@epa.gov>; Devlin, Betsy <Devlin.Betsy@epa.gov>; Coughlan, Laura <Coughlan.Laura@epa.gov>; Sager, John <Sager.John@epa.gov>; Elliott, Ross <Elliott.Ross@epa.gov>; Galbraith, Michael <Galbraith.Michael@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: PFAS disposal background document for Region 5 RA RE: ACTION: AMWA Conference 5/14

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Please let me know if you have any questions.

Rick
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From: Birchfield, Norman
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 4:08 PM
To: Sager, John <Sager.John@epa.gov>; Elliott, Ross <Elliott.Ross@epa.gov>; Galbraith, Michael <Galbraith.Michael@epa.gov>; Picardi, Rick <Picardi.Rick@epa.gov>
Cc: Huggins, Richard <Huggins.Richard@epa.gov>; Radtke, Meghan <Radtke.Meghan@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: PFAS disposal background document for Region 5 RA RE: ACTION: AMWA Conference 5/14

Thanks John for the quick review and edits. Others please try to comment/edit today or early tomorrow morning so there is time for the IO to review tomorrow before sending to R5. Thank you!

From: Sager, John
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 1:39 PM
To: Birchfield, Norman <Birchfield.Norman@epa.gov>
Cc: Elliott, Ross <Elliott.Ross@epa.gov>; Galbraith, Michael <Galbraith.Michael@epa.gov>; Huggins, Richard <Huggins.Richard@epa.gov>; Picardi, Rick <Picardi.Rick@epa.gov>
Subject: PFAS disposal background document for Region 5 RA RE: ACTION: AMWA Conference 5/14

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Thanks,
John

From: Birchfield, Norman
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 12:38 PM
To: Kohler, Amanda <Kohler.Amanda@epa.gov>; Galbraith, Michael <Galbraith.Michael@epa.gov>; Sager, John <Sager.John@epa.gov>; Picardi, Rick <Picardi.Rick@epa.gov>; Elliott, Ross <Elliott.Ross@epa.gov>
Cc: Huff, Mark J <huff.markj@epa.gov>; Foster, Stiven <Foster.Stiven@epa.gov>; Radtke, Meghan <Radtke.Meghan@epa.gov>
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Thanks

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From: Kohler, Amanda
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 11:59 AM
To: Galbraith, Michael <Galbraith.Michael@epa.gov>; Birchfield, Norman <Birchfield.Norman@epa.gov>; Sager, John <Sager.John@epa.gov>
Cc: Huff, Mark J <huff.markj@epa.gov>
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From: Galbraith, Michael
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 9:58 AM
To: Birchfield, Norman <Birchfield.Norman@epa.gov>; Sager, John <Sager.John@epa.gov>
Cc: Huff, Mark J <huff.markj@epa.gov>; Kohler, Amanda <Kohler.Amanda@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: ACTION: AMWA Conference 5/14

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From: Birchfield, Norman
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 9:53 AM
To: Galbraith, Michael <Galbraith.Michael@epa.gov>; Ramaly, Todd <ramaly.todd@epa.gov>; Sager, John <Sager.John@epa.gov>
Cc: Huff, Mark J <huff.markj@epa.gov>; Kohler, Amanda <Kohler.Amanda@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: ACTION: AMWA Conference 5/14

We would definitely want to include that info but I'm hoping we can provide more and in a format that would hopefully lend itself to her presentation.

From: Galbraith, Michael
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 9:50 AM
To: Ramaly, Todd <ramaly.todd@epa.gov>; Birchfield, Norman <Birchfield.Norman@epa.gov>; Sager, John <Sager.John@epa.gov>
Cc: Huff, Mark J <huff.markj@epa.gov>; Kohler, Amanda <Kohler.Amanda@epa.gov>
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From: Ramaly, Todd
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 9:44 AM
To: Birchfield, Norman <Birchfield.Norman@epa.gov>; Sager, John <Sager.John@epa.gov>; Galbraith, Michael <Galbraith.Michael@epa.gov>
Cc: Lambesis, Christopher <Lambesis.Christopher@epa.gov>; Huff, Mark J <huff.markj@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: ACTION: AMWA Conference 5/14

Norm,

Thanks for getting back to me. I'm told tomorrow COB would be best. I know, I know – I swore under my breath when I saw that.

Let me know if that's doable.

Todd D. Ramaly
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From: Birchfield, Norman
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 7:56 AM
To: Ramaly, Todd <ramaly.todd@epa.gov>; Sager, John <Sager.John@epa.gov>; Galbraith, Michael <Galbraith.Michael@epa.gov>
Cc: Lambesis, Christopher <Lambesis.Christopher@epa.gov>; Huff, Mark J <huff.markj@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: ACTION: AMWA Conference 5/14

Hi Todd – I'll check around here. If we're able to provide some bullets, do you have a feeling of when they are needed? Thanks, Norm

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From: Ramaly, Todd
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 8:42 AM
To: Sager, John <Sager.John@epa.gov>; Galbraith, Michael <Galbraith.Michael@epa.gov>; Birchfield, Norman <Birchfield.Norman@epa.gov>
Cc: Lambesis, Christopher <Lambesis.Christopher@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: ACTION: AMWA Conference 5/14

Gentlemen,

We just got this request for information on PFAS disposal for a talk our Regional Administrator is giving next week. Can any of you help us with this? Is there someone else you think we should ask.

Let us know as soon as you can.

Thanks,

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From: Haff, Janet
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 5:56 AM
To: MaGee, Julie <magee.julie@epa.gov>; Mooney, Susan <mooney.susan@epa.gov>; Cisneros, Jose <Cisneros.Jose@epa.gov>; Ireland, Scott <ireland.scott@epa.gov>; Setnicar, Mary <Setnicar.Mary@epa.gov>; Moore, Tammy <moore.tammy@epa.gov>; Martig, Anton (Tony) <martig.anton@epa.gov>; Ramaly, Todd <ramaly.todd@epa.gov>; Lambesis, Christopher <Lambesis.Christopher@epa.gov>; Klevs, Mardi <klevs.mardi@epa.gov>
Cc: Harris, Kimberly <harris.kimberly@epa.gov>; Dee, Rhiannon <dee.Rhiannon@epa.gov>
Subject: ACTION: AMWA Conference 5/14

Good Morning Everyone,

I received this message after I left last night. Cathy Stepp is giving a speech at AWWA next week. The requestor is asking specifically that Cathy include information on the disposal of PFAS. Cathy will be covering the general PFAS talking points already developed for the Action Plan but we currently have no talking points developed or even approved for disposal.

I believe we should reach out to HQ for bullets, but I'm not sure who we should be talking too on the development of those points. Can you provide guidance?

The Request: 'I know when we spoke last you were planning to talk about the PFAS issues and initiatives at EPA. I got a question from someone on our organizing committee about addressing issues related to the disposal of PFAS-contaminated materials as a part of your talk. I recently read an article about PFAS-contaminated materials being imported from Europe for disposal (I'd have to look up the details) because the country it was being shipped from had regulations around it and the U.S. didn't. From our discussions as a group, I think it's a topic that I think will be of interest to our attendees. "

Thank you,
Janet Haff

From: Dee, Rhiannon
Sent: Tuesday, May 07, 2019 2:41 PM
To: Harris, Kimberly <harris.kimberly@epa.gov>
Cc: Haff, Janet <haff.janet@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: AMWA Conference 5/14

Thanks Kim.

Janet, can you help prepare a few bullets on the prompt below?

From: Harris, Kimberly
Sent: Tuesday, May 07, 2019 2:34 PM
To: Dee, Rhiannon <dee.Rhiannon@epa.gov>
Cc: Haff, Janet <haff.janet@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: AMWA Conference 5/14

Hi Rhiannon,

I think the organizers are referring to the article from *The Intercept:*
https://theintercept.com/2019/02/01/chemours-genx-north-carolina-netherlands/

I would suggest contacting LCD to help with developing a response but suspect that the response likely would need input from HQ since disposal issues are not R5-specific.
Janet Haff is LCD's PFAS contact. By way of this email, I'll give her a heads-up re: your request.

Alternatively, if Cathy wants to stick to the Action Plan talking notes, you could have her refer disposal questions to a contact person.

Hope that helps,
Kim

Kimberly M. Harris
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From: Dee, Rhiannon
Sent: Tuesday, May 07, 2019 1:13 PM
To: Harris, Kimberly <harris.kimberly@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: AMWA Conference 5/14

Hi Kim,

Cathy is giving a speech next week at AWMA's annual waste conference and will be focusing on PFAS. I already have the bulk of the remarks prepped (just used talking points provided by HQ regarding the PFAS action plan), but just saw this request (highlighted below) from the organizer regarding the disposal of PFAS material. Is this something you could help with or do you know who I should reach out to? Thanks!

From: Kelley, Jeff
Sent: Tuesday, May 07, 2019 1:09 PM
To: Dee, Rhiannon <dee.Rhiannon@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: AMWA Conference 5/14

FYI

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Begin forwarded message:

> **From:** "Perdue, Andy" <aperdue@wcgrp.com>
> **Date:** May 7, 2019 at 1:08:10 PM CDT
> **To:** "Stepp, Cathy" <stepp.cathy@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** "Kelley, Jeff" <kelley.jeff@epa.gov>
> **Subject: AMWA Conference 5/14**
>
> Hi Cathy –
>
> We are having an update call for our AWMA waste conference at 1:30 today. Thank you again for agreeing to come speak. I will forward you the latest detailed agenda later this week. We will likely send at least one more reminder out to push for more people to register promoting your lunchtime talk. If there are any additional details you would like to share on your talk we can use to promote it, please let me know and we will include it in the email this week.
>
> I know when we spoke last you were planning to talk about the PFAS issues and initiatives at EPA. I got a question from someone on our organizing committee about addressing issues related to the disposal of PFAS-contaminated materials as a part of your talk. I recently read an article about PFAS-

contaminated materials being imported from Europe for disposal (I'd have to look up the details) because the country it was being shipped from had regulations around it and the U.S. didn't. From our discussions as a group, I think it's a topic that I think will be of interest to our attendees.

If there is any other additional information you need from me about the conference in advance, please let me know.

Thanks,
Andy

Andy Perdue

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