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Sent: 6/7/2019 3:37:55 PM
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Subject: US Chamber

Hi Hodayah,

We would like to follow up on the idea to host Administrator Wheeler at the US Chamber to discuss US international engagement, especially after the G20 Environmental ministerial. Before we issue a formal invitation, could you please suggest dates in mid-July when this may be feasible? This will be an important milestone for us and members.

Best,

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From: Finman, Hodayah <Finman.Hodayah@epa.gov>
Sent: Monday, May 13, 2019 1:55 PM
To: Litman, Gary <GLitman@USChamber.com>; Torney, Maxwell <torney.maxwell@epa.gov>
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Subject: RE: G7

Hi Kathryn, we need to correct the list of participants from the US side. It is:

Chad McIntosh, Assistant Administrator, Office of International and Tribal Affairs, EPA

Jane Nishida, Principle Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of International and Tribal Affairs, EPA

Delete:

- Holly Kirking-Loomis, Deputy Director, Office of Global Change, Bureau of Oceans, Environment and Science, US Department of State (invited)
- Barbara DeRosa-Joynt, Biodiversity Division Chief, Office of Environment and Conservation, Bureau of Oceans, Environment and Science, US Department of State (invited)

From: Litman, Gary <GLitman@USChamber.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 09, 2019 2:02 PM
To: Finman, Hodayah <Finman.Hodayah@epa.gov>; Torney, Maxwell <torney.maxwell@epa.gov>

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Great.

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Subject: Re: G7

Gary,

Titles are:

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Jane Nishida, Principle Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of International and Tribal Affairs, EPA

Holly Kirking-Loomis, Deputy Director, Office of Global Change, Bureau of Oceans, Environment and Science, US Department of State (invited)

Barbara DeRosa-Joynt, Biodiversity Division Chief, Office of Environment and Conservation, Bureau of Oceans, Environment and Science, US Department of State (invited)

On May 9, 2019, at 1:55 PM, Torney, Maxwell <torney.maxwell@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Hodayah and Gary,

Yes, Lakita confirmed to me that both Jane and Chad are available next Wednesday, May 15 at 10:00 AM EST.

Thank You,
Max

From: Finman, Hodayah
Sent: Thursday, May 9, 2019 1:52 PM
To: Litman, Gary <GLitman@uschamber.com>
Cc: Torney, Maxwell <torney.maxwell@epa.gov>; Stewart, Lakita <Stewart.Lakita@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: G7

Hi Gary,

It looks like both Jane and Chad are available but am adding Max to confirm. Also added Lakita who handles their schedules to confirm.

On May 9, 2019, at 1:45 PM, Litman, Gary <GLitman@uschamber.com> wrote:

Let me know when you can confirm your participants. We would like to send out the invite today.

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From: Finman, Hodayah <Finman.Hodayah@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, May 9, 2019 11:38 AM
To: Litman, Gary <GLitman@USChamber.com>
Subject: Re: G7

So it sounds like this may be more appropriate for Jane or Chad to attend as well.

On May 9, 2019, at 11:33 AM, Litman, Gary <GLitman@uschamber.com> wrote:

It will be me and Chuck Chaitowitz plus a bunch of companies we want to include.

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On May 9, 2019, at 11:24 AM, Finman, Hodayah <Finman.Hodayah@epa.gov> wrote:

> Also, who from the Chamber will be on the line?
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> On May 9, 2019, at 11:21 AM, Finman, Hodayah <Finman.Hodayah@epa.gov> wrote:
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> Sure thing. We can invite Barbara and Holly to participate on the call if they are available!
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> On May 9, 2019, at 11:19 AM, Litman, Gary <GLitman@uschamber.com> wrote:
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> Biodiversity would be interesting. I defer to you regarding climate. Don't want to focus on COP25 on this call, maybe later in a separate one.

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From: Finman, Hodayah <Finman.Hodayah@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, May 9, 2019 11:09 AM
To: Litman, Gary <GLitman@USChamber.com>
Subject: Re: G7

State negotiators participated to cover climate and biodiversity issues. Do you have interest in either of those topics? General climate I can speak to but details on COP25 etc would be them.

On May 9, 2019, at 11:05 AM, Litman, Gary <GLitman@uschamber.com> wrote:

Quick question: anyone from State or Commerce who was at the G7 Env Ministerial that you may want to join the call?

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Subject: RE: Canada

So sorry Garry, I meant Wednesday, the 15th, at 10am, and just sent out a Calender invite. I can add your conference line info. I'll double check next week to see if anyone else can join on our end.

Titles:
Hodayah Finman: Senior Advisor for International Organizations in EPA's Office of Global Affairs and Policy
Maxwell (Max) Torney: International Program Specialist and G7 Desk Officer, EPA's Office of Global Affairs and Policy
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Subject: RE: Canada

Monday the 13th works! I think it would be better to use our lines, less formal that way. Please send us the current titles for you all for the proper introduction.

Best,

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Subject: RE: Canada

Hi Gary,

It looks like Hodayah, Max (who was on the ground) and I can make it Monday at 10, I'll send out a Calender invite.

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Subject: RE: Canada

This is very helpful. We would love to set up a conf call for the debrief on May 15 at 10 am. I do not know that we can get people physically in at a short notice. It would be great to do it anyways. Who can participate on your side?

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Subject: RE: Canada

Hi Gary,

Thanks for the note. We would be happy to set up a debrief of the entire G7 meeting next week, would Wednesday, May 15th, before noon sometime work for you?

Below is the draft write-up from France on the waste initiative, I haven't seen the final document go out but we can pass it along once we have it.

Taking into account the informal sector in the inclusive transition to sustainable waste management

The world is on a trajectory where waste generation will drastically outpace population growth by more than double by 2050. The global production of waste has doubled in the last decade, and it is expected to increase by 69% by 2025, especially in emerging countries. Only 50% of waste is collected on average in cities of developing countries while the other half is disposed of in open dump sites, burnt or dispersed in the environment. In many cities, in particular in developing countries, the informal sector constitutes a palliative to defective waste management which provides jobs and subsistence income to many. There would be a clear added-value to take an initiative to gather initiatives promoting an inclusive transition to sustainable waste management while limiting the negative externalities on vulnerable populations and mindful of a resource efficiency and/or circular economy approach. Such an initiative would be working on exchanges of experiences, by providing a platform for its members to exchange expertise, including expertise on financial and / or organizational (role of local authorities, NGOs, companies ...) issues as well as information and best practices on policies for taking into account the informal sector. The initiative would also aims at encouraging commitments of international financial institutions to take into account in their projects the social and human aspects of informal activities.

Canada, France, the European Union, Germany, Japan, the United Kingdom, the United States, Egypt, Fiji, Indonesia, Niger and Norway committed to launching this initiative for taking into account the informal sector in the inclusive transition to sustainable waste management.

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Cc: Huber, Patrick <Huber.Patrick@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Canada
Importance: High

Hi Brianna,

We were looking at the EPA press release on the G7 Environmental Ministers Meeting. Do you have any details on the Information Sector in the Inclusive Transition to Sustainable Waster Management discussion? It is referenced as something US supported. Of course, it would be terrific to have a de-brief session on all the topics raised in Paris. We are scheduled to see President Macron on July 3.

Best,

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From: Besch, Brianna <besch.brianna@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, March 21, 2019 2:19 PM
To: Litman, Gary <GLitman@USChamber.com>; Finman, Hodayah <Finman.Hodayah@epa.gov>
Cc: Huber, Patrick <Huber.Patrick@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Canada

Hi Gary,

Nice to hear from you. Would it be possible to have a call tomorrow? It looks like both Hodayah and I are pretty open in the afternoon.

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Subject: RE: Canada

Great. Could we touch base over the phone at around 3 pm today?

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From: Finman, Hodayah <Finman.Hodayah@epa.gov>
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Subject: Re: Canada

Hi Gary, I've been meaning to touch base with you on a G-20 item. How are you?

Brianna attended UNEA this year. She can give you specifics. I've copied her on this email.

On Mar 21, 2019, at 12:31 PM, Litman, Gary <GLitman@uschamber.com> wrote:

Hi Hodayah,

Are you in Kenya for the UN Environment Assembly? I am wondering if we could get a readout when the delegation is back.

Best,

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From: Finman, Hodayah <Finman.Hodayah@epa.gov>
Sent: Monday, July 2, 2018 1:15 PM
To: Litman, Gary <GLitman@USChamber.com>
Subject: Re: Canada

We don't have much information from Canada yet but I will let you know as soon as we hear anything.

On Jul 2, 2018, at 1:00 PM, Litman, Gary <GLitman@USChamber.com> wrote:

> I can ask John Hopkins, our Chair, to participate. That sounds appropriate but we need a bit more on the format. On the other hand, we can bring a good company with direct impact on the issue of plastics like 3M or Dupont or Sealed Air. On sustainable finance, we would probably reach out to different companies, like MetLife, JP Morgan or Santander. Citi is keeping a low profile. Will this be a separate event on financing or the same one? Need to start working on it soonest, of course.
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> **From:** Finman, Hodayah <Finman.Hodayah@epa.gov>
> **Sent:** Friday, June 29, 2018 5:25 PM
> **To:** Litman, Gary <GLitman@USChamber.com>
> **Subject:** Re: B20
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> Pleasure! For the Multi Stakeholder Summit on oceans, is that something you'd want the Chairman of the Chamber to participate in? Or a member company?
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> The USG as a whole can submit five names of people to be invited. It's going to be a challenge to limit so we are looking at our their ways to get people in for other activities. For example, you had a great speaker from Citibank I believe at

the EMM last year. Perhaps we could have someone like him invited to an event on sustainable finance (including water and infrastructure investment) that Canada is planning.

On Jun 29, 2018, at 5:19 PM, Litman, Gary <GLitman@USChamber.com> wrote:

> Thank you. Very timely!
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> On Jun 29, 2018, at 5:00 PM, Finman, Hodayah <Finman.Hodayah@epa.gov> wrote:
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>> I spoke with Birget from Germany and she absolutely agrees that you should be at the G20 workshop in August. She is going to talk to Argentinian organizers asap. I'll send her a reminder email next week to make sure the ball gets rolling.
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>> Also, wanted to let you know the Stakeholder Summit on Sept 19 is going to be focused on ocean issues (inc ocean plastics).
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>> On Jun 27, 2018, at 11:58 AM, Litman, Gary <GLitman@USChamber.com> wrote:
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>>> Not entirely sure what the Canadians means by that. I suspect they are more focused on alliances in terms of associations similar to EPRA – Electronic Products Recycling Association. US companies participate in these national schemes but we are not engaged in any climate related effort.
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>>> **From:** Finman, Hodayah <Finman.Hodayah@epa.gov>
>>> **Sent:** Wednesday, June 27, 2018 11:27 AM
>>> **To:** Litman, Gary <GLitman@USChamber.com>
>>> **Subject:** Re: B20

Thanks for the update. You may have heard Canada talk last week about Action Alliances. I believe what they mean is stakeholder initiatives etc (existing or new) that are working on a specific issue.

Is there a Chamber "action alliance" on or related to climate by any chance?

On Jun 27, 2018, at 9:31 AM, Litman, Gary <GLitman@USChamber.com> wrote:

> Here is the latest from our Argentinian friends:
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> 'B20A has followed-up and informs that the G20 RE Workshop at Iguazú is now scheduled for August 27.
> G20 also specified that B20 can name one speaker to represent the private sector.
> Taking into account GBC's special interest on the matter, B20 offers us the exclusiveness of suggesting someone.
> I shall inform the group rapidly, I think everyone will understand if a speaker recommended by USCC is privileged, given the fact that it is leading the RE track in the group.
> As per attending the event, they don't

know yet how many
invitees can be
conveyed by the B20
ERES TF, they'll
revert shortly on this.'

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Commerce