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Helpful and thanks -good for now and we can talk further later this week

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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[[For your background and understanding]]

Once OMB clears the document, it could be posted on the EPA website.

However, since it went to OMB for 12866 review and has been deemed a significant guidance document (I know we object to that designation and how it came about, but that is the status of the doc) we cannot rely on it until it is posted on the EPA guidance portal. Under a relatively new rule of procedure that EPA finalized in response to EO 13891, we also need to put out a FR notice announcing the availability of the final significant guidance (responses to comments on the draft should also be available somewhere).

Let me know if you want to talk more Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

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Fyi, what I said this am, let me know if theres anything else to note

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Just received HHS cmts this am.

And with the new OIRA memo, we can no longer just simply post. Once we get final sign off on edits from OMB, it has to go thru other processes and noticed thru the FR before posting. Wont happen quickly from what I am being told

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All,

Just following up here -

What's the status of the PFBS tox assessment? I heard OMB had minor comments. Can this be cleaned up and posted by tomorrow at noon?

Thanks,

Taylor Meredith
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Sent from my iPhone. Please excuse typos or brevity.

> On Jan 8, 2021, at 4:52 PM, Hoverman, Taylor <hoverman.taylor@epa.gov> wrote:
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> All,
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> Great news! To address the concern raised yesterday, OMB has agreed to conduct expedited review of

the PFBS toxicity assessment to help make this happen! I hate to do this to you on a Friday evening, but OMB needs this to go into ROCIS today. I am attaching the redline that included OCSPP's edits. I accepted edits to spacing only and kept all other changes in redline and made 1 editorial change to incorporate OCSPP's comment. The same change was made on pages 77 and 79.

Since we have a window of opportunity to get this across the finish line, I appreciate your help doing so. Please give me a call if you need any additional help from me to get this done.

Thank you all in advance!

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Yes, Jennifer and I did talk and I will confer with Taylor.

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Taylor, Alex and I spoke last night and you should connect with her. I was not aware of the discussion with the Administrator and I believe he did not have complete information in that discussion.

ORD will not be able to make this change and have this document go out next week. ORD's document

for PFBS was considered final when the OCSPP comments were received. The type of changes OCSPP proposes would require us to go through the whole process of intra/inter-agency review and WH Technical workgroup review which will take anywhere from 6-8 months.

Happy to talk further

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Thanks for looping me in, Alex.

Yes, Tala's emails are correct. Since the Administrator has already weighed in, I assume the remaining step is to incorporate OCSPP's edits. I understand that once these changes are incorporated, the PFBS final toxicity assessment will be ready to post online.

The Administrator has a PFAS interview next Thursday. The PFAS regulatory determination should be published next week, and since this is so close to completion, I would really like us to get this tox assessment finalized before then as well, so he can highlight both actions in that interview.

This week, I have seen both a thank you note to ORD + R5 from Ohio EPA for assistance with PFAS work (Great work, ORD + R5!), as well as this InsideEPA article: https://insideepa.com/daily-news/new-jersey-dep-chief-mccabe-faults-epa-lack-pfas-class-policy<https://gcc01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Finsideepa.com%2Fdaily-news%2Fnew-jersey-dep-chief-mccabe-faults-epa-lack-pfas-class-policy&data=04%7C01%7Choverman.taylor%40epa.gov%7Cb587c096eedc4c2737c308d8b33c3e6f%7C88b378b367484867acf976aacbeca6a7%7C0%7C0%7C637456418606001285%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=n1OVFenTvIY4UcyTHdDgR9d9nPdDTIKTjFJB4pV%2FQZc%3D&reserved=0>

I think next week's interview is a great opportunity for the Administrator to highlight the hard work across all EPA program offices and regions addressing PFAS and would really love if we could quickly get OCSPP's edits incorporated to add this tox assessment to the list of accomplishments.

If this is not possible, please call me today to discuss why additional time is absolutely necessary.

Thanks so much!

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Sam/Betsy,
As you know OCSPP Toxicologists reviewed the PFBS and GenX draft documents; our reviews/insights are attached in format appropriate for docketing (as I understand this is something the Administrator has requested).

Also attached are the documents that include OCSPP proposed in-line edits to address the OCSPP Sr Toxicologists review, specifically relative to consideration alternative UFs, to support presentation of a

range of UFs (and therefore RfDs), which I also understand the Administrator requested be included.

Please let me know if you have questions.
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