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Subject: RE: Questions from ORD-IOAA regarding media inquiry from WHQR public radio - Three Years Later - Chemours, GenX, PFAS ...

Good job! Let's see what they say.

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Emily,

Here are my comments to Davids questions. I kept his questions in red and my response in blue.

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Hi Mark,

David Dunlap in the ORD-IOAA has asked for some additional information related to your responses to this media inquiry. His comments are below. Could you please work on responses for him? Thank you!

ORD Communications is reaching out to OW and OPPT about this media inquiry, as someone from one of those offices may be the spokesperson for Vince's non-research questions.

Let me know if you have questions or want to Skype to discuss.

Thanks much! Hope you're doing well!

-Emily

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See comments below. I have a few questions and need some clarity.

Has the reporter ask to interview anyone in OW? In light of the questions, I believe it would be important to have someone from OW engaged as well.

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Would you have any time this week, or early next week?

Also, Emily, would there be someone at HQ in DC I could interview, for an update on National EPA efforts? Via phone.

Thanks, Vince

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Kacey's email w Mark's talking points is below:

Subject: Interview request for Mark Strynar

Hi- Jennifer and David- Vince Winkel is back and doing a new story. In June, it will be three years since the news broke about GenX and PFAS contamination in the Cape Fear River. He is doing a lengthy report airing Friday June 5. He would like to interview Mark about what we know, compared to 3 years back. He also wants to talk to someone in HQ for an update on national EPA PFAS efforts. Okay to move ahead?

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