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Collin – thank you!

Juan and Emily – welcome!

Jen and I will look for a time to connect with you early next week to talk you through stuff, but in case you are SO EXCITED and CAN'T WAIT TO START and you need something to read/look at until then I am attaching the draft risk evaluation (dated March 2020) and the report from our federal advisory peer review committee (called the SACC – Science Advisory Committee on Chemicals) dated August 28, 2020.

A quick summary for you both (and I will let the sharepoint administrator know to add you to the access list for the Asbestos Team):

- Asbestos is one of the "first 10" risk evaluations chosen in December 2016 (https://www.epa.gov/assessing-and-managing-chemicals-under-tsca/risk-evaluation-asbestos-0)
- We published scope (2017) and problem formulation (2018) documents prior to releasing our draft risk evaluation (March 2020)
- We had our peer review meeting in June (2020), and received public comments
- We have to finalize the risk evaluation and publish it along with a response to comments (RTC) document ***by the end of the calendar year***
- Juan – we will be looking for your help on the environmental fate (and possibly physical-chemical properties) section and comments
- Emily – we will be looking for your help on the environmental hazard and exposure parts
- We are shooting for having a draft of both documents by mid-October…but then….
- ….we will turn our attention to developing a draft scope for what is called the "draft supplemental scope" document for "legacy uses" of asbestos (this is a recent addition to our work based on a 2019 court decision…we did not address in the risk evaluation, but promised to do so in a separate document/process)….***which is also due by the end of the calendar year….***

Whew….I am tired just thinking about it….

Regards,

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Morning Juan and Emily,

The branch chiefs for existing chemicals are beginning to redistribute work and put together plans for completing the risk evaluations for the first 10 chemicals. These have pretty aggressive timelines. Most are due by the end of the year. So, I have a new assignment for you... asbestos! Gino (Louis) and Jen will connect you with the rest of the team working on this risk evaluation. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me and/or Gino and Jen.

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