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Subject: Fwd: proposed responses to FDEP's assumption questions
Attachments: proposed responses to FDEP questions asked Oct 19-22.docx; ATT00001.htm

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Subject: FW: proposed responses to FDEP's assumption questions

Matt & David – as mentioned on today's OGC call we've worked out responses to FDEP's latest questions. Trey asked me to forward this to you for your thoughts.

Matt Hicks' email below provides context.

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Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) (cell)

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From: Hicks, Matt
Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2018 5:51 PM
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Subject: FW: proposed responses to FDEP's assumption questions
Importance: High

Leif,

Here's EPA's proposed response to the two recent questions we received from DEP on Friday. These proposed responses were generated by the Region 4 team (Tom McGill level) after consulting with Simma (both issues) and Alexis (mitigation issue only) at OGC. DEP is waiting to hear from us before moving forward with their rulemaking so time is of the essence. More internal discussion is needed on the issue of incorporating retained waters list into EPA's Federal Register notice approving the state's program but that issue is not as time critical as the two below.

Ex. 5 AC/DP

Please call me if you'd like to discuss further.

Thanks,

Matt

From: Mcgill, Thomas
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Cesar,

As a follow-up to our conversation yesterday, FDEP would appreciate EPA's quick feedback on questions they asked during calls held with some of EPA's assumption team members on Oct 19 and 22nd. You'll

recall that I forwarded you an email from Matt Hicks on Oct 19 regarding their basic questions, and we received additional clarification with FDEP staff in a call held on Oct 22. We understand that FDEP is awaiting EPA's feedback prior to proceeding with their Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and that FDEP would prefer EPA's feedback through a conversation instead of in writing.

Attached is a document drafted by the EPA Assumption Team that includes: (1) FDEP's questions (highlighted in blue text); (2) proposed EPA responses (highlighted in yellow text); and (3) other information to provide background/context for FDEP's questions and/or the proposed responses. We would appreciate feedback from the RA and the senior leaders at OGC/OW as quickly as they can provide it before responding to FDEP.

If you have any questions or need any additional information please let us know.

Thanks.

Tom