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Subject: RE: ACTION by 5/31 - DOEE/DNREC State Secs Talking Points

I will just excerpt from the notes.

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Do you have time to write something up?

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Shall I write up something for the Aqueduct or do you have enough info from my response email to Matt Carr?

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DC and DE state sec meetings are next week. Let me know if you have any updates.

Thank you!
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Hello ECAD Managers:

By the next Tues, May 31 managers meeting, please submit your proposal for any critical hot and/or emerging issues that you feel the RA should raise during his monthly meeting with **DOEE and DNREC**.

You have the option of either emailing me PRIOR to the managers meeting (preferred), or raising the topic during the meeting to confirm it should be included this month.

Pls respond to this email with "no input" if no hot issues for your group.

For context, we submitted the following topics last month:

DOEE

Joint Base Anacostia Bolling Public Water System – Air Force

- On April 11, 2022, JBAB submitted the Q1 2022 quarterly report under the ongoing Administrative Order. The report is in review and some minor clarifying questions will be required.
- On April 18, 2022, JBAB submitted the clarifying information requested from EPA as follow up from prior quarterly reports.
- JBAB has made significant strides toward compliance with the SDWA, and recent instances of noncompliance have been resolved.
- DoD is interested in meeting with EPA to discuss their compliance status and to emphasize that DoD is taking these issues seriously.

Background

- *The Air Force is subject to an Administrative Order on Consent to address (2) outstanding significant deficiencies identified during prior sanitary surveys.*
- *EPA has regulatory oversight of the Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling (JBAB) public water system in the District of Columbia.*
- *ECAD and the Water Division have been collaborating to address recent drinking water violations and other instances of inadequate reporting and notification to EPA.*

DNREC

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- EPA is working with DNREC regarding missed CAFO inspections over the last few years. The state should have conducted over 100 inspections since FY18 and has only conducted 38.
- The state is currently experiencing issues with the avian flu affecting commercial flocks so they are unable to conduct inspections for poultry facilities yet again.
- Our DE state coordinator and CAFO lead are in communication with DNREC to determine the cause for these missed inspections and determine a best path forward.
- DE asked if Off-Site compliance monitoring (authorized in response to COVID) could be substituted for on-site inspections. While the "coverage" allowing for OfCM provided under that COVD guidance has been extended, the Avian Flu situation may not necessarily be allowed and a request for a change to DE's Compliance Monitoring Plan may be warranted.

Inland Bays Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Inspection

- EPA and DNREC conducted an inspection of the Inland Bays Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) as part of an investigation in response to a citizen complaint. EPA and DNREC Representatives walked the main spray field with facility personnel. The inspection team looked for potential discharge points for off-site

transport. The spray field was harvested and growth at the time of inspection was limited. The spray field was mostly flat and there were areas with standing water on the site. There was no spraying occurring at the time of inspection, but the facility does spray the field with the puddling. There was no discharge point observed at the time of the site visit.

- The facility was aware of the complaints against it and gave the complainant tours of the spray fields. While DNREC offered to take the lead on the development of an inspection report, the circumstances that lead to the inspection indicate that EPA should be developing the report.

Lawson Road Site Inspection – access denial

- EPA and DNREC conducted an unannounced stormwater inspection of the Lawson Road Site which apparently has been utilized as a solid waste disposal site, also in response to a citizen complaint. The team was unable to gain access to the site. However, the team conducted a visual inspection from offsite and did not observe any obvious discharge from the site to the roadway or swales. The team was provided additional facility contact information from a neighboring resident.
- DNREC will contact the new point of contact to request access for a solid waste facility inspection. DNREC plans to return to the site with their environmental crimes unit in the next few weeks to conduct the inspection. They will communicate with EPA regarding any action taken related to the site.

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