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From: Kathryn Hoffman [khoffman@mncenter.org]
Sent: 5/24/2016 4:14:09 PM
To: McKim, Krista [mckim.krista@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: FW: Meeting on PolyMet permits

Gotcha, thanks. We'll do our best to get you specific questions.

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On Tue, May 24, 2016 at 7:38 AM, McKim, Krista <mckim.krista@epa.gov> wrote:

I should have also said that we might not be able to answer your questions during the meeting. If you can provide your questions in advance we would probably have a better chance at answering them. I'm not sure, generally, if we'll be able to say what the MPCA or the COE are thinking though. (that would be for them to say)

From: Kathryn Hoffman [mailto:khoffman@mncenter.org]
Sent: Tuesday, May 24, 2016 7:25 AM
To: McKim, Krista <mckim.krista@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: FW: Meeting on PolyMet permits

Oh, and does 1pm work? I just need to confirm the time so we can book our flights.

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On Tue, May 24, 2016 at 7:20 AM, Kathryn Hoffman <khoffman@mncenter.org> wrote:

Hi Krista,

Sorry for the slow reply. I was out of the office last week, and am catching up on email now.

We're interested in the conversations you've had with PCA and what they are thinking on the NPDES permit, and similar questions about Army Corps and the 404 permit. We also have some technical questions about those permits. So it seems like the presence of staff is pretty critical for those discussions. That said, we'd also like to know what role EPA sees itself playing moving forward, and we'd like to know where upper level management stands, so it would be helpful to have one or two management level folks in the room. Also, I've never met Susan's replacement, I'd like to meet Bob Kaplan, if possible.

I hope this is helpful. I'll try to get you a proposed agenda by the end of this week.

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On Wed, May 18, 2016 at 8:14 AM, McKim, Krista <mckim.krista@epa.gov> wrote:

Kathryn,

What level meeting were you expecting to have? In other words, staff level or management level? Also, I'm trying to figure out who to invite so a rough agenda would help with that.

Thanks,

Krista

From: Kathryn Hoffman [mailto:khoffman@mncenter.org]
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Cc: Sedlacek, Michael <Sedlacek.Michael@epa.gov>; Westlake, Kenneth <westlake.kenneth@epa.gov>; Burdick, Melanie <Burdick.Melanie@epa.gov>; Wester, Barbara <wester.barbara@epa.gov>; Pelka, Amy E. <Mucha.Amy@epa.gov>
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Krista and Mike,

Yes, June 7 still works for us. Our thought is that we would fly in and out the same day, so an afternoon meeting would be best, and accommodate any delayed flights. Say 1-4 in the afternoon?

We will be happy to provide an agenda in advance of the meeting. We'll need a week or two to get that together.

Best,

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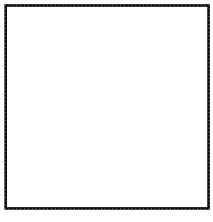

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On Thu, May 5, 2016 at 12:27 PM, McKim, Krista <mckim.krista@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Kathryn,

Looking at the calendars, I think June 7 is the best day to schedule this meeting. do you have a time in mind? The calendars are pretty open for us on that day.

Krista

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Subject: Re: FW: Meeting on PolyMet permits

Hello, I have not heard back on these proposed dates. May 6 will not work at this point, but here are the other dates:

May 23

May 24

May 25

June 7

Let me know if these work for you and your staff. Thanks!

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On Tue, Apr 26, 2016 at 1:30 PM, Kathryn Hoffman <khoffman@mncenter.org> wrote:

Great, thanks. Krista and Melanie, I hope those dates will work for you and your staff.

Best,

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On Tue, Apr 26, 2016 at 7:54 AM, Sedlacek, Michael <Sedlacek.Michael@epa.gov> wrote:

> Hello Kathryn,
>
> Now that the NEPA review is primarily over, we will be handing the reigns over to the applicable permitting programs. Presently, the points of contact are:
>
> NPDES – Krista McKim
> CWA 404 – Melanie Burdick
>
> Krista and Melanie are cc'd on this email. I will ask them to coordinate with you on this request. I am also available to assist with anything NEPA-related.
>
> Sincerely,

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From: Kathryn Hoffman [mailto:khoffman@mncenter.org]
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Cc: Nels Paulsen <nels@conservationminnesota.org>; Aaron Klemz <aaron@friends-bwca.org>
Subject: Meeting on PolyMet permits

Ken and Mike,

The Mining Truth coalition would like to visit with EPA this spring about PolyMet's upcoming applications for NPDES and 404. If we come down to Chicago, can we have a few hours of your team's time?

Here are some dates that work for us:

May 6
May 23
May 24
May 25
June 7

If none of those work, I can suggest some other dates. Thanks for your time.

Best,
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