From: Atkinson, Emily
To: Pongrace, Don
Cc: Childers, Pat
Subject: Confirmed: 8/22 at 11am Gila River Indian Community delegation and OAR staff
Date: Tuesday, August 20, 2013 7:18:49 AM

Don,

You are confirmed for a one hour meeting on Thursday, August 22, 2013 at 11:00am.

A list of all attendees should be submitted to me via email no later than 5:00pm today, Tuesday, August 20 so I can provide it to our security officers who will screen you upon arrival.

Directions and procedures to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW – William Jefferson Clinton Federal building:

Metro: If you come by Metro get off at the Federal Triangle metro stop. Exit the metro station and go up two sets of escalators to the surface level and turn right. You will see a short staircase and wheelchair ramp leading to a set of glass doors with the EPA logo - that is the William Jefferson Clinton North building.

Taxi: Direct the taxi to drop you off on 12th Street NW, between Constitution and Pennsylvania Avenues, at the elevator for the Federal Triangle metro stop - this is almost exactly half way between the two avenues on 12th Street NW. Facing the building with the EPA logo and American flags, walk toward the building and take the glass door on your right hand side with the escalators going down to the metro on your left – that is the North Lobby of the William Jefferson Clinton Federal building.

Security Procedures: A government issued photo id is required to enter the building and it is suggested you arrive 15 minutes early in order to be cleared and arrive at the meeting room on time. Upon entering the lobby, the meeting attendees will be asked to pass through security and provide a photo ID for entrance. Let the guards know that you were instructed to call 202-564-7400 for a security escort.

Please confirm receipt of the message and feel free to contact me should you need any additional information.

Emily Atkinson
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Immediate Office of the Acting Assistant Administrator
Office of Air and Radiation, USEPA
Voice: 202-564-1850

From: Childers, Pat
Sent: Monday, August 19, 2013 4:02 PM
To: Pongrace, Don; McCabe, Janet
Cc: Atkinson, Emily; Saltman, Tamara; Jordan, Deborah; Mckelvey, Laura; Shaw, Betsy
Subject: RE: Possible meeting with Gila River Indian Community delegation this week

Working it now to see if we have the right folks at that time Don.

Pat

From: Pongrace, Don [mailto:dpongrace@AKINGUMP.COM]
Sent: Monday, August 19, 2013 3:35 PM
To: Childers, Pat; McCabe, Janet
Cc: Atkinson, Emily; Saltman, Tamara; Jordan, Deborah; Mckelvey, Laura; Shaw, Betsy
Subject: RE: Possible meeting with Gila River Indian Community delegation this week

That would be excellent. How about 11 am on Thursday?

From: Childers, Pat [mailto:Childers.Pat@epa.gov]
Sent: Monday, August 19, 2013 3:15 PM
To: McCabe, Janet; Pongrace, Don
Cc: Atkinson, Emily; Saltman, Tamara; Jordan, Deborah; Mckelvey, Laura; Shaw, Betsy
Subject: RE: Possible meeting with Gila River Indian Community delegation this week

Don, Janet and Deborah

I am available on Thursday and will be glad to participate and help arrange this discussion on Thursday. I'll work with Emily to coordinate time and set up a room here in DC.

Pat

From: McCabe, Janet
Sent: Monday, August 19, 2013 3:11 PM
To: Pongrace, Don
Cc: Childers, Pat; Atkinson, Emily; Saltman, Tamara; Jordan, Deborah
Subject: Re: Possible meeting with Gila River Indian Community delegation this week

Don--Deb Jordan from Region 9 is available to be on a conference/video call on thursday. The other OAR person working on this issue, Tamara Saltman, is also unavailable this week unfortunately. I'm hoping that Pat Childers is available to be physically present with you and the Governor--Pat?

From: Pongrace, Don <dpongrace@AKINGUMP.COM>
Sent: Monday, August 19, 2013 10:22:30 AM
To: McCabe, Janet
Cc: Childers, Pat; Atkinson, Emily; Saltman, Tamara; Jordan, Deborah
Subject: RE: Possible meeting with Gila River Indian Community delegation this week

Janet,

Thanks for the very quick response. Is there perhaps someone from your team or otherwise at EPA who could meet with the Governor and the delegation?

From: McCabe, Janet [mailto:McCabe.Janet@epa.gov]

Sent: Monday, August 19, 2013 1:09 PM
To: Pongrace, Don
Cc: Childers, Pat; Atkinson, Emily; Saltman, Tamara; Jordan, Deborah
Subject: Re: Possible meeting with Gila River Indian Community delegation this week

Don--how good to hear from you. Letty has let me know how constructive you and GRIC were in the TWG negotiations--i know it was quite a challenging set of discussions.

Unfortunately, I am on vacation this week and not in a position to participate in a meeting with the Governor and his delegation.

EPA is currently reviewing the TWG submittal, which is our present assignment. I'd be glad to schedule a conference or video call with the Governor after I retunr next week, though I realize that's not nearly as satisfying as meeting in person.

Regards,

Janet

From: Pongrace, Don <dpongrace@AKINGUMP.COM>
Sent: Monday, August 19, 2013 9:56:51 AM
To: McCabe, Janet
Subject: Possible meeting with Gila River Indian Community delegation this week

Dear Janet,

I hope all is well with you. I am sure you are aware of the recently executed TWG Agreement regarding NGS, to which the Community was fortunate to be a signatory. This is a significant step and we are hopeful it is a good starting point for a plan for addressing all the concerns relating to NGS. There remains much to be done, however.

To that end, the Community has a delegation coming to Washington this week, including the Governor and two Council members, to meet with DoI, the White House, and congressional officials regarding its views as to the NGS TWG Agreement and to discuss necessary next steps and action items. As part of this trip, the Governor has asked if we could set up a meeting with you while he is here. He would like to hear your perspective on the Agreement and EPA's next steps, as well as discuss how best to continue the EPA's ongoing consultation with the Community about the proposed BART.

The delegation arrives in Washington on Tuesday evening, and is leaving on Thursday evening. They currently have meetings at 2 pm on Wednesday and 1 pm on Thursday. While other meetings are still being scheduled on the Hill, they are currently available any time in the morning of either Wednesday (August 21) or Thursday (August 22). They also would have time in the late afternoon on Wednesday (say after 3 pm). Would any of those times work for you? I hope you are here in town and available.

I look forward to hearing from you on this and to seeing you later this week.

Best regards.

Don Pongrace

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