From:	Vitellaro, Chandra
To:	Palomaki, Ashley
Subject:	RE: EPA-R10-2017-004880
Date:	Thursday, March 23, 2017 9:17:26 AM

Clock is stopped. Thanks Ashley!

From: Palomaki, Ashley
Sent: Wednesday, March 22, 2017 3:10 PM
To: Vitellaro, Chandra <Vitellaro.Chandra@epa.gov>
Cc: Young, Margo <Young.Margo@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: EPA-R10-2017-004880

Chandra – see below correspondence re the above-referenced FOIA request. I will upload to FOIAonline. Can you pause the clock? Thanks.

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From: Palomaki, Ashley
Sent: Wednesday, March 22, 2017 3:09 PM
To: 'tkiekowheimer@nrdc.org' <tkiekowheimer@nrdc.org>
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Subject: EPA-R10-2017-004880

Dear Ms. Heimer:

This email concerns the above-referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, received by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency on March 14, 2017, in which you requested several categories of documents that were collectively described as:

"In sum, NRDC requests any and all records related to settling, rescinding and/or withdrawing either the Proposed Determination or Watershed Assessment made after November 8, 2016."

Parts of your request do not reasonably describe the records you are seeking in a way that will permit EPA employees to identify and locate them, as required by 40 C.F.R. § 2.102(c).

EPA's FOIA regulations state:

"Whenever possible, your request should include specific information about each record sought, such as the date, title or name, author, recipient, and subject matter. If known, you should include any file designations or descriptions for the records that you want. The more

specific you are about the records or type of records that you want, the more likely EPA will be able to identify and locate records responsive to your request." 40 C.F.R. § 2.102(c).

I would like to discuss the request with you to clarify the request and better understand the records you are seeking.

Please respond within ten calendar days from the date of this email to arrange a time to discuss your request. Please suggest some times that will work for you. If we do not receive a response from you within ten calendar days, we will consider your request to be voluntarily withdrawn. Once the request is clarified, we will continue processing your FOIA request and provide you with an updated estimated timeframe for completion.

Sincerely,

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