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From: Kibler, Virginia
Sent: Monday, October 06, 2014 3:00 PM
To: Phillips, Laura; Huff, Lisa
Cc: Wilcut, Lars; Rider, Trish
Subject: RE: reply - ok good. I am CWD alt Fridays. This Friday in, out 17th and 31st.

I think you should include Bonnie Gitlin's staff in this discussion as well.

From: Phillips, Laura
Sent: Monday, October 06, 2014 2:03 PM
To: Huff, Lisa
Cc: Wilcut, Lars; Rider, Trish
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From: Huff, Lisa
Sent: Monday, October 06, 2014 1:45 PM
To: Phillips, Laura
Cc: Wilcut, Lars; Rider, Trish
Subject: RE: FYI What Tom and I received this morning from Chris H at NACWA. FW: Ammonia Criteria Implementation Workshop

I think you make a good point - I also got that impression from Chris' email that they might call upon EPA for input so we need to make that very clear at the outset of the workshop what is to be expected from the EPA attendees. I think that would be a good idea for us to meet and discuss ahead of time who all will be attending the workshop and make sure we are all on the same page about what we are to say and not to say. I had a conversation with Kathryn about OWM participation this morning and she was going to follow up with Betsy Behl as I think she too has some concerns. After I follow up with Kathryn, I can see about scheduling a time for those of us attending to meet.

Thanks,
Lisa

From: Phillips, Laura
Sent: Monday, October 06, 2014 1:33 PM
To: Huff, Lisa
Cc: Wilcut, Lars; Rider, Trish
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Thanks that helps. I have been getting some initial questions here from staff and my branch managers to just better understand role and expectations for the workshop. Listening sounds ok/good. I will pass this E-mail on to others in OWM who have been asking.

Is OST going to have a cross office OST-OWM- ?? OWOW pre prep meeting prior to the workshop to compare thoughts so that we are all on the same page. But if we truly are just listening and not responding....(got impression from Chis H's (NACWA) email to us that they would call on us for questions) then less prep would be needed.

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From: Huff, Lisa
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To: Phillips, Laura
Cc: Wilcut, Lars
Subject: RE: FYI What Tom and I received this morning from Chris H at NACWA. FW: Ammonia Criteria Implementation Workshop

Laura,

I just got your message – did you catch up with Lars? He has been the POC for the NACWA workshop and would likely know the most. I was on the initial planning call several months ago and just received the draft agenda last week. We/EPA OST agreed to find/provide a meeting location in PY so I guess we are "hosting" but other than that we had indicated to NACWA that EPA would have limited involvement and would attend the workshop primarily to listen – at least that is how Kathryn and I recall the discussion. Lars and I may provide a brief overview presentation of the criteria and the implementation materials we published (I have a call into Lars myself to discuss the details) but we made it clear to NACWA that we would not be there to provide any policy decisions on implementation or recommendations, just clarification of what we published, to the attendees at the workshop. Give me a call if you want to talk more about it.

Lisa

From: Phillips, Laura
Sent: Monday, October 06, 2014 9:13 AM
To: Rider, Trish; Huff, Lisa; Wilcut, Lars
Subject: FYI What Tom and I received this morning from Chris H at NACWA. FW: Ammonia Criteria Implementation Workshop

From: Chris Hornback [mailto:CHornback@NACWA.ORG]
Sent: Friday, October 03, 2014 10:47 AM
To: Laverty, Tom; Phillips, Laura
Subject: Ammonia Criteria Implementation Workshop

Tom, Laura –

NACWA, together with WEF, WERF and the state water regulators (ACWA) are convening a workshop on October 29 and 30 here in DC (actually at EPA's Potomac Yard North Building) to discuss some of the implementation challenges associated with the new ammonia criteria. The folks in OST are helping by providing the meeting space and getting the right EPA people in the room. Participation from OWM is very important to us and OST suggested we reach out to both of you.

Our objective is to get wastewater, state, and EPA representatives in a room to discuss the implementation challenges, where additional guidance/tools may be needed, and whether we can agree on some common framework for implementation that would ease the burden on the states and municipalities. NACWA, WEF, WERF and ACWA are working to set the agenda with the help of the Great Lakes Environmental Center (acting as a contractor). I have attached a preliminary agenda and would welcome any thoughts/comments you may have.

Please let me know what you think at your earliest convenience. We think your participation is critical to the success of the workshop.

Thanks,
Chris

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