

To: Hupp, Sydney[hupp.sydney@epa.gov]
Cc: Dickerson, Aaron[dickerson.aaron@epa.gov]
From: Tom Sell
Sent: Fri 4/21/2017 3:41:39 PM
Subject: Re: Meeting request - Apr. 25,26, or 27
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Thanks again, Sydney. Please see attached. We are very pumped. Still juggling things around in terms of schedule. Just got word from soon to be Secretary Purdue Office that we have something there at 3:00, so we will be dividing up a bit. Any guidance on ideal number would be very appreciated.

Thank you again.

TS

(806) 535-0093

On Apr 21, 2017, at 7:43 AM, Hupp, Sydney <hupp.sydney@epa.gov> wrote:

That's great!

**Sydney Hupp
Office of the Administrator- Scheduling
202.816.1659**

From: Tom Sell [<mailto:tom@combest-sell.com>]
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 5:14 PM
To: Hupp, Sydney <hupp.sydney@epa.gov>
Cc: Dickerson, Aaron <dickerson.aaron@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Meeting request - Apr. 25,26, or 27

Sydney,
Awesome. Thank you. Yes that will work. I will fill out the form this evening.
TS

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 20, 2017, at 2:38 PM, Hupp, Sydney <hupp.sydney@epa.gov> wrote:

Good afternoon Tom,

Thank you for reaching out! Would be happy to set this meeting up with the Administrator. How does 2:15 on the 25th work for you? If that sounds good, would you please complete the attached form so that I may calendar.

Thank you!

Sydney Hupp
Office of the Administrator- Scheduling
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From: Hope, Brian
Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 5:12 PM
To: Dickerson, Aaron <dickerson.aaron@epa.gov>; Hupp, Sydney <hupp.sydney@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Meeting request - Apr. 25,26, or 27

From: Tom Sell [<mailto:tom@combest-sell.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 10:11 AM
To: Pruitt, Scott <Pruitt.Scott@epa.gov>
Subject: Meeting request - Apr. 25,26, or 27

Dear Administrator Pruitt:

Congratulations on your appointment and confirmation! We are excited

about the prospects for our tenure and service.

The Southwest Council of Agribusiness (SWCA) has a group coming to DC next week (April 24-27) and would greatly appreciate any opportunity to meet with you or your designees.

The SWCA is an alliance of agricultural organizations, lending institutions, and agriculture-related businesses established to actively advocate for strong agricultural policy — you can see the membership at <http://southwest-council.org/wp/our-members/>.

The SWCA represents land-holders — stewards of our resources — who work daily to safeguard and cultivate a sustainable environment. From water to air to soil health to pesticide permitting, the EPA has a significant impact upon the members and interests of SWCA. We expect there will be a greater respect in the new EPA for those who toil in this ancient and challenging field, and would hope to establish a stronger working relationship going forward.

Thank you for considering. The group has 20 representatives flying in, but we would fashion a group to the size you would request. They could make anytime on the 25th, 26th or 27th work, but would prefer the 25th if possible. We would provide a specific list of names from those below, and specific issues to be discussed prior to the meeting.

Sincerely,
Tom Sell
Combest, Sell and Associates
tom@combest-sell.com
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Fly-in participants include:

Rickey Bearden, SWCA Chairman, Plains Cotton Growers
Matt Huie, SWCA President, South Texas and Grain
L.G. Raun, SWCA Vice President, Texas Rice Producers
David Cleavinger, SWCA Vice President, Texas Wheat Producers Association
Steve Verett, SWCA Treasurer, Plains Cotton Growers
Scott Averhoff, SWCA Secretary, Texas Corn Producers
Jimmy Clark, SWCA Executive Director
Jeff Nunley, SWCA Member, South Texas Cotton & Grain
Steelee Fischbacher, SWCA Member, Texas Wheat Producers Association
Linda Raun, SWCA Member, Texas Rice Producers
Tim McDonald, SWCA Board Member, Ag Texas Farm Credit
Rick Boyd, SWCA Board Member, First United Bank
Tony Dill, SWCA Board Member, Western Peanut Growers
David Gibson, SWCA Member, Texas Corn Producers
Dee Vaughan, SWCA Board Member, Texas Corn Producers
Dale Artho, SWCA Board Member, Texas Sorghum Producers
Dave Cure, SWCA Board Member, Colorado Corn Producers

Mark Boardman, SWCA Member, Western Peanut Growers
Kody Bessent, SWCA Member, Plains Cotton Growers
Scott Schafer, SWCA Member, Farm Credit of New Mexico

Also attending our meetings will be Tom Sell, Jeff Harrison, Brad Weddelman, or Nolan
Smith of Combest, Sell & Associates.

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External Meeting Request Form for Administrator E. Scott Pruitt

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

To request the Administrator to attend and/or speak at your event, please complete and submit the following form.

Today's Date: April 21, 2017

Meeting Date: April 25, 2017

Meeting Time: 2:15 p.m.

Requested Location (if offsite, please list address, parking instructions, etc.): Administrator's office.

Requestor: Combest Sell & Associates on behalf of the Southwest Council of Agribusiness, a consortium of farm organizations, lenders, and supporting Main Street businesses in Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Colorado, and New Mexico.

Purpose of the Meeting: Discuss the importance of regulatory relief for farmers and ranchers. The SWCA represents land-holders — stewards of our resources — who work daily to safeguard and cultivate a sustainable environment. From water to air to soil health to pesticide permitting, the EPA has a significant impact upon the members and interests of SWCA. We expect there will be a greater respect in the new EPA for those who toil in this ancient and challenging field, and would hope to establish a stronger working relationship going forward.

Background on the Meeting: The Southwest Council of Agribusiness is in Washington for an annual fly in to meet with Members of Congress and the Administration.

Role of the Administrator: Discuss regulatory relief efforts of EPA.

Attendees: From among the following list. Ideal size?

Matt Huie, SWCA President, South Texas and Grain
L.G. Raun, SWCA Vice President, Texas Rice Producers

David Cleavinger, SWCA Vice President, Texas Wheat Producers Association
Steve Verett, SWCA Treasurer, Plains Cotton Growers
Scott Averhoff, SWCA Secretary, Texas Corn Producers
Jimmy Clark, SWCA Executive Director

Jeff Nunley, SWCA Member, South Texas Cotton & Grain
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Tim McDonald, SWCA Board Member, Ag Texas Farm Credit
Rick Boyd, SWCA Board Member, First United Bank
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