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Subject: FW: Request for comment re: Andrew Wheeler's work at FaegreBD

FYI

From: Bixby, Scott [mailto:Scott.Bixby@thedailybeast.com]
Sent: Monday, April 9, 2018 4:33 PM
To: Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Request for comment re: Andrew Wheeler's work at FaegreBD

Thanks so much for your quick response, Liz!

From: Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>
Sent: Monday, April 9, 2018 4:32:09 PM
To: Bixby, Scott
Subject: RE: Request for comment re: Andrew Wheeler's work at FaegreBD

Hi Scott – Thank you for the ability to comment. Andrew Wheeler will bring extraordinary credentials to EPA that will greatly assist the Agency as we work to implement the president's agenda. Andrew Wheeler has not lobbied EPA, nor any new EPA issues since President Trump was elected, and deregistered as lobbyist in August 2017. Mr. Wheeler consults with EPA career ethics officials, and will ensure that he recuses himself from any potential conflicts. Thank you – Liz

Additional background:

Mr. Wheeler has spent his entire career working in environmental policy. In addition to spending four years at EPA's Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics during the George H. W. Bush and Bill Clinton administrations, he also spent many years on Capitol Hill. After serving as general counsel to U.S. Senator James Inhofe, he worked as staff director and chief counsel for two Senate Committees with vital roles in protecting human health and the environment: the U.S. Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works (EPW) and the U.S. Senate Subcommittee for Clean Air Wetlands and Nuclear Safety. Mr. Wheeler currently works as a principal at FaegreBD Consulting providing guidance on federal regulatory and legislative environmental and energy issues.

From: Bixby, Scott [<mailto:Scott.Bixby@thedailybeast.com>]
Sent: Monday, April 9, 2018 4:07 PM
To: Bowman, Liz <[Bowman.Liz@epa.gov](mailto: Bowman.Liz@epa.gov)>
Subject: Request for comment re: Andrew Wheeler's work at FaegreBD

Hi Liz –

Hope all is well! We're working on a story related to Andrew Wheeler's potential confirmation as deputy administrator of the EPA, specifically relating to his lobbying work on behalf of energy companies while at Faegre Baker Daniels. As a former lobbyist whose lobbying work for Murray Energy alone ran into the millions, how does Mr. Wheeler — and the EPA — plan to ensure that his past work wouldn't color his role as deputy administrator?

Thanks so much in advance for your help and time!

Scott Bixby

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