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**To:** Abboud, Michael [/o=ExchangeLabs/ou=Exchange Administrative Group (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/cn=Recipients/cn=b6f5af791a1842f1adcc088cbf9ed3ce-Abboud, Mic]  
**CC:** Zack Hutchins [zachary.s.hutchins@gmail.com]; Darren Suarez [darren.suarez@bcnys.org]  
**Subject:** Re: Peter Lopez draft release

No problem. Thank you.

On Sep 27, 2017, at 6:32 PM, Abboud, Michael <[abboud.michael@epa.gov](mailto:abboud.michael@epa.gov)> wrote:

Sorry I forgot to respond. Got it and added it to the release. I'll send you a copy of it once it goes out.

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 27, 2017, at 6:10 PM, Zack Hutchins <[zachary.s.hutchins@gmail.com](mailto:zachary.s.hutchins@gmail.com)> wrote:

Just confirming receipt. Thank you.

On Sep 27, 2017, at 4:29 PM, Zack Hutchins <[zachary.s.hutchins@gmail.com](mailto:zachary.s.hutchins@gmail.com)> wrote:

Michael,

Here is our statement. Please include us in the distribution if you can.

“The Business Council of New York State congratulates Peter D. "Pete" Lopez for his appointment as the Region 2 Administrator for the EPA. The members of the business community have long respected Pete for his willingness to fight for what he believes is in the best interest of all New Yorkers. We know he will continue to do what is right for the people and the environment in his new role," said **Heather C. Briccetti, Esq., president and CEO of The Business Council of New York State, Inc.** “As the Region 2 Administrator, Pete will oversee environmental protection efforts with a measured and rational approach and we look forward to working together.”

On Sep 27, 2017, at 2:04 PM, Abboud, Michael <[abboud.michael@epa.gov](mailto:abboud.michael@epa.gov)> wrote:

Hey Zach, per our conversation a few moments ago, I've attached our draft release regarding Peter Lopez's appointment as Region 2 Administrator. We are hoping to get this out first thing tomorrow morning, and would appreciate a quote by close of business today. Let me know if you are interested, thanks!

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