

To: Dravis, Samantha[dravis.samantha@epa.gov]
From: Dennis Hedke
Sent: Sun 3/26/2017 11:05:36 PM
Subject: Re: Position

Samantha,

Thank you very much for the prompt response. I will await your response, and look forward hearing whatever you may discover.

Sincerely,

Dennis

On Sun, Mar 26, 2017 at 4:18 PM, Dravis, Samantha <dravis.samantha@epa.gov> wrote:

Thank you for the resume, Dennis. A threshold question is what is involved in getting an exception to the federal hiring freeze, and I will have to look into that.

Best,

Samantha

From: Dennis Hedke **Ex. 5 - Deliberative Process**
Sent: Saturday, March 25, 2017 8:51 PM
To: Dravis, Samantha <dravis.samantha@epa.gov>
Subject: Position

Dear Samantha,

I hope you are now getting settled into your new position as Associate Administrator, Office of Policy. No doubt, the challenges ahead are significant.

In the recent past, I have been encouraged by numerous people to give serious consideration to attempting to become directly involved in the new EPA administration, and that is the purpose of this communication.

As you will see in the attached documents, I am currently engaged as a partner in the firm Hedke-Saenger Geoscience, Ltd, a firm I and partner Richard Saenger initiated in November 2007. In addition, I have communicated with various officials in the EPA and the Energy Department in years past. Samples are included.

Also, I recently 'retired' from the Kansas House of Representatives. I never planned to be a career politician, but I did want to make my mark, if at all possible, and that did work out. My term began in January 2011, and by my self-imposed term limit, I served my last day January 9, 2017. My last 4 years I was Chairman of the Energy & Environment Committee, and in my 5th year we repealed the Renewable Mandates that were passed by the Kansas legislature in the spring 2009. That legislation was initiated in my Committee.

I have just returned from Washington, as a presenter the the 12th International Conference on Climate Change, held March 23-24 at the Grand Hyatt. I spoke the afternoon of March 23, on a panel entitled Climate Politics and Policy. It was well attended, and my co-panelists did a great job. It was my first time attending, and my presentation was well received.

My first submittal related to the new EPA was delivered to the Trump-Pence transition team a number of weeks ago, and it included my desire to be considered for the following positions:

Office of the Administrator

Special Assistant to the Senior Climate Policy Counsel

Senior Advisor to the Administrator

Office of External Affairs and Environmental Education

Associate Administrator

Director, Office of Environmental Education

Office of Environmental Information

Assistant Administrator

However, I did have occasion to visit briefly yesterday with David Kreutzer, and

after that meeting, I took a closer look at the possible open positions within your **Office of Policy**, and I would very much like to be considered for a couple of other slots that I believe are likely to be unfilled:

Senior Advisor

Director, Office of Strategic Environmental Management

Director, Office of Regulatory Policy and Management

I realize that the various names of positions may be under change and review, but these are taken from the December 1, 2012 Policy & Supporting Positions 'Manual'.

If you find that my background fits with possible policy making in the Pruitt administration, I would love to have the chance to visit further.

Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at 316-737-2600, or at my office, 316-295-4675.

Thank you very much for your time.

Sincerely,

Dennis Hedke