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Sent: 2/1/2018 9:13:55 PM
To: Thomas Gibson [tgibson@steel.org]
Subject: RE: EPA Waivers of AIS requirements

That would be just fine. Thanks Tom.

From: Thomas Gibson [mailto:tgibson@steel.org]
Sent: Thursday, February 1, 2018 4:13 PM
To: Forsgren, Lee <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: EPA Waivers of AIS requirements

Lee

Last event is running very late. I have a role and I can't easily excuse myself. Is tomorrow AM timely?

Tom

Sent from my iPad

On Feb 1, 2018, at 11:12 AM, Forsgren, Lee <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov> wrote:

That is great. Call me EPA Cell at Ex. 6 That way I can answer it wherever I am.

From: Thomas Gibson [mailto:tgibson@steel.org]
Sent: Thursday, February 1, 2018 11:09 AM
To: Forsgren, Lee <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: EPA Waivers of AIS requirements

Great. I will call you. Tom

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 1, 2018, at 10:42 AM, Forsgren, Lee <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov> wrote:

That would work. How about after 4:30 pm.

From: Thomas Gibson [mailto:tgibson@steel.org]
Sent: Thursday, February 1, 2018 10:41 AM
To: Forsgren, Lee <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov>
Cc: Kevin Dempsey <kdempsey@steel.org>
Subject: Re: EPA Waivers of AIS requirements

Lee

Is mid to late afternoon ok? Serial meetings today.

Tom

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 1, 2018, at 9:57 AM, Forsgren, Lee <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov> wrote:

Tom,

Could I follow up with you on the AIS program when you have a moment.

Regards,
Lee

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From: Thomas Gibson [<mailto:tgibson@steel.org>]
Sent: Tuesday, November 21, 2017 4:24 PM
To: Forsgren, Lee <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov>
Cc: Kevin Dempsey <kdempsey@steel.org>
Subject: Re: EPA Waivers of AIS requirements

Lee

You can reach me tonight or tomorrow Ex. 6 I have a lot of calls AM, most short except for Call Zt 9:40, so if I don't pick up then I will call right back.

Tom

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 20, 2017, at 9:34 AM, Forsgren, Lee <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov> wrote:

No problem at all. Heaven forbid you have to spend time with your members first!

From: Thomas Gibson [<mailto:tgibson@steel.org>]
Sent: Monday, November 20, 2017 9:26 AM
To: Forsgren, Lee <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov>
Cc: Kevin Dempsey <kdempsey@steel.org>
Subject: Re: EPA Waivers of AIS requirements

Hello Lee,

I am on a member meeting a today. I will give you call tomorrow.

Tom

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 20, 2017, at 9:22 AM, Forsgren, Lee
<Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov> wrote:

Tom,

Just wanted to follow up and see if there are any of the projects that we discussed that you are aware of a U.S. Manufacturer that might be able to provide the components?

If you could get back to me this week I would greatly appreciate it.

Regards,
Lee

From: Forsgren, Lee
Sent: Thursday, November 9, 2017 8:16 AM
To: 'Thomas Gibson' <tgibson@steel.org>
Subject: RE: EPA Waivers of AIS requirements

Tom,

Per our conversation. I have been informed that the comment periods are technically closed on the vast majority of projects (tight statutorily required period) but we have always maintained a policy that EPA is open, at any time, to any information that an American product is available. So we are basically in a position that if any of your members or other members of the Buy America coalition can provide information that they can or do make the components in question we would be thrilled to be informed of that fact.

I would ask that your folks please review the projects expeditiously so

that we can move forward with decisions on the AIS waivers in a timely manner. This will allow for the expeditious procurement of the vast majority of these projects that are American made.

Regards,
Lee

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From: Thomas Gibson
[<mailto:tgibson@steel.org>]
Sent: Tuesday, November 7, 2017 2:32 PM
To: Forsgren, Lee
<Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: EPA Waivers of AIS requirements

Hello Lee,

Sorry I could not call back. At an event outside the country with a lot of my Board members.

I am going to get on this and get back to you.

Tom

Sent from my iPad

On Nov 7, 2017, at 2:30 PM, Forsgren, Lee <Forsgren.Lee@epa.gov> wrote:

Tom,
I know this is a voice from long ago but as you can see I have

returned to government service and am the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Water At EPA. I would respectfully ask for your help. Per Administrator Pruitt's suggestion and as part of the Agency's due diligence, I am reaching out to you to determine if any members of your organization can provide American made products that would allow these projects to be completed without EPA having to issue a wavier under the American Iron and Steel provision of the 2014 Water Resources Development Act.

Given your experience with the Agency I am sure you can understand that we would ask for a timely review of the existing projects and an answer if your members are willing and able to provide the items necessary to complete these projects. Any assistance you and your organization might be willing to provide would be most appreciated.

I am attaching a list of projects and a general description of the item and its value for your review. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me on my EPA cell at [REDACTED] Ex. 6

Regards,

Lee

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