

To: Alexandra Dunn; **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy**
From: Jackson, Ryan
Sent: Mon 11/13/2017 12:14:56 PM
Subject: Re: New Republic Piece on R2

I can see why we didn't respond.

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Chief of Staff
U.S. EPA

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On Nov 13, 2017, at 6:58 AM, Alexandra Dunn <**Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy**> wrote:

<https://newrepublic.com/article/145360/can-republican-restore-integrity-scott-pruitts-epa>

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To: Dimitri.Karakitsos@hklaw.com[Dimitri.Karakitsos@hklaw.com]
Cc: rich.gold@hklaw.com[rich.gold@hklaw.com]
From: Jackson, Ryan
Sent: Fri 5/12/2017 12:26:32 PM
Subject: Re: The Daily Caller: EPA Chief Orders Faster Superfund Cleanup Of Nation's Most Polluted Areas, 5/11/17

10 sites? Whatever. This place.

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> On May 11, 2017, at 10:00 PM, "Dimitri.Karakitsos@hklaw.com" <Dimitri.Karakitsos@hklaw.com> wrote:

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> https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/federal_government/trump-environmental-chief-to-prioritize-toxic-sites-cleanup/2017/05/11/45c4c238-3668-11e7-ab03-aa29f656f13e_story.html?utm_term=.d78a875745a3

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> On May 11, 2017, at 8:52 PM, Jackson, Ryan

<jackson.ryan@epa.gov<mailto:jackson.ryan@epa.gov>> wrote:

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> From: McGonagle, Kevin

> Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 2:36 PM

> To: AO OPA OMR CLIPS

<AO_OPA_OMR_CLIPS@epa.gov<mailto:AO_OPA_OMR_CLIPS@epa.gov>>

> Subject: The Daily Caller: EPA Chief Orders Faster Superfund Cleanup Of Nation's Most Polluted Areas, 5/11/17

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> The Daily Caller

> <http://dailycaller.com/2017/05/11/epa-chief-orders-faster-superfund-cleanup-of-nations-most-polluted-areas/><https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=http-3A__dailycaller.com_2017_05_11_epa-2Dchief-2Dorders-2Dfaster-2Dsuperfund-2Dcleanup-2Dof-2Dnations-2Dmost-2Dpolluted-2Dareas_&d=DwMF-g&c=14jPbF-1hWnYXveJ5rixtS_Fo3DRpL7HUwJDAc4Hlc&r=xfMtk3mid4hVxgXakwJXh595MsPz3y38nFgPCeffVxo&m=m999VcM4QvvBGI22KzLIRWxbDLC64IgKIhYHtEDnBS0&s=ITPCtZwGQBss0_6ym9hxgwl7gXI7Xoq715OBZ9Gkn0M&e=>>

> EPA Chief Orders Faster Superfund Cleanup Of Nation's Most Polluted Areas

> By Ethan Barton 5/11/17 2:22 PM

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> Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Scott Pruitt is pushing officials to streamline and speedup the Superfund process to cleanup the nation's most polluted sites, a problem highlighted by The Daily Caller News Foundation's Investigative Group in 2016.

> "I am making it a priority to ensure contaminated sites get cleaned up," Pruitt said in a statement Wednesday announcing a directive he signed Monday. "We will be more hands-on to ensure proper oversight and attention to the Superfund program at the highest levels of the agency and to create consistency across states."

> The Superfund program is tasked with cleaning sites on the National Priorities List, which are the most contaminated locations in the country. Pruitt's directive strips lower-ranking EPA officials of the ability to

approve cleanups that cost at least \$50 million and keeps that authority with the administrator to eliminate red tape.

> The EPA administrator has always held the power to approve cleanups, but “had been delegated many layers into the bureaucracy, resulting in confusion among stakeholders and delayed revitalization efforts,” the agency said.

> Pruitt’s directive follows multiple reports by TheDCNF last year exposing unexplained cleanup delays that have plagued the Superfund program since its inception, resulting in extremely polluted sites being left contaminated for years, or even decades. The delays are often the result of complex clean-ups required and numerous bureaucratic hurdles.

> More than 1,700 sites have been added to the Superfund program since 1983, but less than 400 have been fully cleaned, TheDCNF previously reported. It took 13 years on average to decontaminate each of those sites.

> Meanwhile, people living near more than 300 Superfund sites have faced health hazards for years, or sometimes decades. In fact, the EPA doesn’t know if 117 sites endanger humans, despite being part of the Superfund program for more than 30 years.

> Pollution – including contaminants from military activities – at one uncleaned site near Philadelphia has threatened nearby humans for nearly 50 years, and a surrounding community faced an increased number of cancer cases, a DCNF investigation uncovered.

> TheDCNF also revealed nearly \$6.3 billion collected in the EPA’s 1,300 “special accounts” — slush-fund like bank accounts linked to specific Superfund sites — without oversight from Congress or external review.

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To: Wehrum, William L. [wwehrum@hunton.com]
From: Jackson, Ryan
Sent: Fri 6/2/2017 11:39:33 PM
Subject: RE: Checking In

Great news and big thanks. Looking forward to it. I think Pruitt would appreciate another sit down in the near future on next steps like you did before. Thanks.

From: Wehrum, William L. [mailto:wwehrum@hunton.com]
Sent: Friday, June 2, 2017 6:28 PM
To: Jackson, Ryan <jackson.ryan@epa.gov>
Subject: Checking In

Ryan – Wanted to let you know that I completed and submitted the last of my forms this afternoon. OPP should have everything they need to move this along.

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To: Michael K. Henry[mhenry@alpinegroup.com]; Bolen, Brittany[bolen.brittany@epa.gov]
From: Jackson, Ryan
Sent: Mon 5/22/2017 3:29:15 PM
Subject: RE: Quick question

From: Michael K. Henry [mailto:mhenry@alpinegroup.com]
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2017 11:22 AM
To: Jackson, Ryan <jackson.ryan@epa.gov>
Subject: Quick question

Can you connect me to Brittany Bolen? Sorry to bug you!!