

To: Jackson, Ryan[jackson.ryan@epa.gov]
Cc: Letourneau, Matt[MLetourneau@USChamber.com]
From: Getto, Leila
Sent: Tue 6/20/2017 12:37:51 AM
Subject: RE:

Hi Ryan! Matt Letourneau (our communications director) is cc'd on this email and can be reached on his cell at [Ex. 6 -] And my cell is 301-651-1441. We hope he's feeling better in the morning. Thank you!

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-----Original Message-----

From: Jackson, Ryan [mailto:jackson.ryan@epa.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 19, 2017 8:10 PM
To: Getto, Leila
Subject:

I need to reach you concerning Administrator Pruitt's appearance at a US Chamber event tomorrow. He may not be able to make it due to health issues and I need to ask about a proxy. My cell is 202-379-8986.

Ryan Jackson
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U.S. EPA

[Ex. 6 -]

To: Robert Faturechi[Robert.Faturechi@propublica.org]
Cc: Danielle Ivory[Danielle.Ivory@NYTimes.com]
From: Bowman, Liz
Sent: Thur 6/22/2017 2:21:15 AM
Subject: Re: NYT/ProPublica inquiry on Regulatory Task Forces, Deadline Wednesday

As discussed, if you will only use this information if I say that you can attribute it directly to me, than ok. It is important that your readers have all the facts. I ask that you use it in full and don't splice it or take it out of context and that you use the full "on the record quote" from my email. I emailed our ethics counsel, but she is probably asleep (or at least hopefully not working this late), to ask that she is okay with you using the information from her attributed to "EPA ethics counsel." I will let you know when I hear back from her. Thanks - Liz

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 21, 2017, at 9:08 PM, Robert Faturechi <Robert.Faturechi@propublica.org> wrote:

Thanks Liz. As I mentioned in the initial email, we are treating anything you send to us in response to our questions as on the record, unless both sides agreed beforehand to go on background. As a courtesy, we will leave what you wrote under the header "On background" below as on background, but unless you agree to put it on the record, we can't use it and have to say you declined to comment about whether Ms. Dravis has met with her former employers or their funders, and whether Mr. Brown has recused himself. Can you put that all on the record? Also, can you address whether Ms. Dravis has met with the *funders* of her previous employers? If you can't put that on the record, providing us with documents that reflect those assertions (i.e. Ms. Dravis' calendars, or Mr. Brown's recusal letter) could be usable too.

From: Bowman, Liz [<mailto:Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, June 20, 2017 7:04 PM
To: Robert Faturechi
Subject: RE: NYT/ProPublica inquiry on Regulatory Task Forces, Deadline Wednesday

Off the record: We have sought to be transparent with you in this article are under the impression that you are only going to print accurate, factual information. Below, please find a statement that we are offering for the record, followed by some additional background information that we hope you will use to inform your article. Thank you – Liz

On the record: "We take our ethics responsibilities seriously; all political staff have had an ethics briefing and know their obligations. Each of us has committed to serve in a fair and

professional way.” – Liz Bowman, EPA spokesperson

On Background:

Ms. Dravis has had **no** meetings with her former employers, RAGA or Freedom Partners. She is complying with the advice of Agency ethics counsel on her ethics obligations, and she has signed the ethics pledge.

We are working very hard to get back to people who submit FOIAs. Each FOIA EPA receives is managed and responded to by a team of professional career employees. EPA’s director of the FOIA team explains that “In all situations, it is EPA’s goal to respond to all requests as expeditiously as possible.”

EPA's ethics office confirms that all Regulatory Reform Task Force Members have received ethics training: “As ethics questions have arisen or been raised, they have consulted with EPA ethics promptly and abided by the counsel provided to them.”

EPA ethics is aware of Mr. Brown’s spouse's employment and he has properly recused from participation in particular matters that affect that company as a specific party and as a member of an affected class. As he has met his ethical obligations through recusal, he did not need any other determination, including consideration of a waiver.

From: Robert Faturechi [<mailto:Robert.Faturechi@propublica.org>]

Sent: Tuesday, June 20, 2017 10:09 AM

To: Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>

Subject: Re: NYT/ProPublica inquiry on Regulatory Task Forces, Deadline Wednesday

Just tried you. I'm at 2132717217

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 20, 2017, at 9:25 AM, Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov> wrote: