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**Sent:** 7/12/2018 12:55:12 PM  
**To:** Itai Vardi [Ex. 6]  
**Subject:** Re: Journalist writing for HuffPost requesting comment

Hi Itai, I am looking into this.

On Jul 12, 2018, at 8:50 AM, Itai Vardi <[Ex. 6]> wrote:

Hi Enesta,

I'm a journalist working on a story for the Huffington Post.

According to his calendar (which I received through FOIA), Assistant Administrator for the Office of Air and Radiation Bill Wehrum met on February 12, 2018 with Hunton & Williams lawyers representing his former client, the Utility Air Regulatory Group, to discuss MATS.

This meeting seems to violate Wehrum's ethics agreement of not participating in matters concerning his former clients. The pledge was in accordance with President Trump's executive order on political appointee recusals as well 5 C.F.R. § 2635.502(d).

So I'd like to ask:

- 1) Why did Assistant Secretary Wehrum participate in this meeting?
- 2) Did he receive an ethics waiver to do so?

My deadline is today, Thursday, July 12, at 5:00PM EST. Please confirm receipt of this request for comment. And please contact me with any questions you may have.

If you're not the right person to address this request, please forward it to the appropriate press contact.

Thank you,

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