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**Subject:** RE: Follow-up on Nov meeting

Thanks Eva. Let's chat next week and I can walk you through what those policies generally say about encouraging the identification and immediate notification of observed deficiencies. We are currently examining what we say about this in the various inspection manuals with fresh eyes, based on recent discussions, and I will probably remind the inspectors about this approach as part of my presentation. So I think it would be a good idea for me to walk you through the nuances of the current policy and would suggest that we compare notes before we both present. How does that sound?

Happy to have a panel presentation if you like for your session so feel free to invite another NAHB member.

Barbara and I are currently reaching out to Region 7 regarding their availability after your presentation.

Ed

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Ed,

We very much appreciate the opportunity to speak with inspectors during the November 14th training. I am available and will make plans to attend. An additional meeting that day with yourself and Region 7 staff would be great.

- Can you provide training materials that inspectors will be provided during the meeting, specifically any direction inspectors receive on post-inspection visits or debriefs? This will help us to put our remarks in context for what trainees have already heard.
- We may also have the ability to bring an NAHB member speak to inspectors alongside me, and be available for questions. Let me know if you'd be amenable for a member to attend on Tuesday as well.

Barbara, please let me know what other information you need from me for logistics.

Kind regards and thank you again,

Eva

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Michael,

Nice meeting you today. Here is some relevant information about the EPA training in Kansas.

The training is called the EPA Clean Water Act (CWA) National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Technical Inspector Workshop. This annual five-day workshop provides a forum to train CWA inspectors from EPA and authorized states and tribes. We generally draw about one hundred participants. The format includes classroom sessions; field equipment training; and site visits, including stormwater.

I have spoken with my staff and have set aside time on the agenda for the day where inspectors have classroom training. We would be very interested in hearing the regulated community's perspective related to the inspection and enforcement process. The best agenda time for this looks to be **Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, from 10:45 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.** Please let me know if you are interested in participating and if this time works.

Ken Wagner is coordinating with us on this, so if there are other participants please let him know and maybe we can discuss doing a panel presentation for this session, if need be.

The training is being held at **EPA Region 7 offices at 11201 Renner Boulevard, Lenexa, KS.** So if there is interest in a meeting with Region 7 staff and myself after the inspection session, I would be open to breaking away from the inspector training. Please let me know if there is any interest in that.

If you have additional questions please do not hesitate to call. In addition, Barbara VanTil, my Water Branch Chief, is standing by to work with you on the logistics for a presentation. She can be reached at 202-564-0664, or [vantil.barbara@epa.gov](mailto:vantil.barbara@epa.gov).

All the best,  
Ed

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Mr. Messina - Thanks again for your input during today's meeting with the Administrator on compliance assistance opportunities for the residential construction sector under the CWA 402 program. A lot of good ideas were shared today by EPA staff from both HQ and the regional offices.

I wanted to get more information (i.e., date, location, agenda, etc.) from you about your upcoming Kansas City meeting with EPA regional inspectors. I am hoping you can share that information with my co-worker Eva Birk who handles stormwater regulatory issues here at NAHB's headquarters.

-Michael



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