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**Cc:** Hale, Michelle[hale.michelle@epa.gov]  
**From:** Jim Lakely  
**Sent:** Wed 3/15/2017 2:53:53 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Request to Scott Pruitt to speak on March 23 or 24 in Washington DC

Thanks for trying to catch my Hail Mary pass, Sydney! I surely hope we can connect and host Mr. Pruitt some time down the road.

Warm regards,

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**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2017 7:04 AM  
**To:** Jim Lakely  
**Cc:** Hale, Michelle  
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Good morning Jim,

Hope this email finds you well! Michelle let me know that you reached back out inquiring about other times for the Administrator to speak. He will actually be out of town those days and unable to make the other two times you offered. I am so sorry! We wish we could participate and hopefully we are able to in the future. I appreciate your willingness to be flexible with us though! Please don't hesitate to reach out to us again.

Best,

Sydney

**From:** Hale, Michelle

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 14, 2017 2:06 PM

**To:** Hupp, Sydney <[hupp.sydney@epa.gov](mailto:hupp.sydney@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** FW: Request to Scott Pruitt to speak on March 23 or 24 in Washington DC

**From:** Jim Lakely [<mailto:JLakely@heartland.org>]

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 14, 2017 1:55 PM

**To:** Hale, Michelle <[hale.michelle@epa.gov](mailto:hale.michelle@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** RE: Request to Scott Pruitt to speak on March 23 or 24 in Washington DC

Michelle,

Before I give up all hope ... is there another time he could deliver an address? How about these times?

**Thursday, March 23: 7:10 pm - 7:40 pm?**

**Friday, March 24: 8 am – 8:30 am?**

Just let me know so I can say I exhausted all possibilities.

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**From:** Hale, Michelle [<mailto:hale.michelle@epa.gov>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 14, 2017 11:59 AM  
**To:** Jim Lakely  
**Subject:** RE: Request to Scott Pruitt to speak on March 23 or 24 in Washington DC

Jim,

I apologize for the delays in getting you an answer. Unfortunately, the Administrator will not be able to do the speech on March 23. I'm very sorry!

Michelle

**From:** Jim Lakely [<mailto:JLakely@heartland.org>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 14, 2017 11:09 AM  
**To:** Hale, Michelle <[hale.michelle@epa.gov](mailto:hale.michelle@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Request to Scott Pruitt to speak on March 23 or 24 in Washington DC

Michelle,

I understand the blizzard was a bit of a dud in DC. *Halleluiah!* I'm glad you guys were spared the worst of the predictions.

Any word yet on Mr. Pruitt being able to speak at Heartland's climate conference the morning of March 23?

Best,

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**Sent:** Thursday, March 09, 2017 4:03 PM  
**To:** Jim Lakely  
**Subject:** RE: Request to Scott Pruitt to speak on March 23 or 24 in Washington DC

Have a great evening!

**From:** Jim Lakely [<mailto:JLakely@heartland.org>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 9, 2017 5:01 PM  
**To:** Hale, Michelle <[hale.michelle@epa.gov](mailto:hale.michelle@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Request to Scott Pruitt to speak on March 23 or 24 in Washington DC

Thanks for the update, Michelle. My fingers are still crossed ... even if it does make it more difficult to type.

Best,

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**Sent:** Thursday, March 09, 2017 3:52 PM  
**To:** Jim Lakely  
**Subject:** RE: Request to Scott Pruitt to speak on March 23 or 24 in Washington DC

Hi, Jim, we are still in the midst of lining out the Administrator's schedule for the remainder of March. Hopefully, we will have an answer for you soon.

Michelle

**From:** Jim Lakely [<mailto:JLakely@heartland.org>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 7, 2017 5:09 PM  
**To:** Hale, Michelle <[hale.michelle@epa.gov](mailto:hale.michelle@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Dickerson, Aaron <[dickerson.aaron@epa.gov](mailto:dickerson.aaron@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Request to Scott Pruitt to speak on March 23 or 24 in Washington DC

Michelle,

Just following up, and I hope you will have good news soon. I hate to press, but we're putting the official program together and it needs to go to the printer in the next couple of days. We'd love to put Secretary Pruitt's name in for the opening breakfast plenary session – or any of the plenary sessions that will fit in his schedule.

Right now, I'm holding the 8:15 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. slot open for him. If it helps push toward a "yes," the secretary will have the opportunity to meet **Apollo 7 Astronaut Walter Cunningham**, an old friend and Heartland supporter who will be accepting an award from one of our co-sponsors immediately after that open speaking slot.

Warm regards,

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**To:** Jim Lakely  
**Cc:** Dickerson, Aaron  
**Subject:** RE: Request to Scott Pruitt to speak on March 23 or 24 in Washington DC

Hello, Jim. Thank you for the invitation. We will review the calendar and see if it will be possible for Administrator Pruitt to speak at the conference. I hope to have an answer for you by early next week.

Michelle Hale

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**From:** Jim Lakely [<mailto:JLakely@heartland.org>]

**Sent:** Monday, February 27, 2017 6:05 PM

**To:** Hale, Michelle <[hale.michelle@epa.gov](mailto:hale.michelle@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** RE: Request to Scott Pruitt to speak on March 23 or 24 in Washington DC

Michelle,

I got your name and contact information from Myron Ebell, a long-time friend of The Heartland Institute and EPA transition leader – a very great service to his country and sensible climate and energy policy in the coming years.

I am writing to ask if Administrator Pruitt would consider being a keynote speaker The Heartland Institute's 12<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Climate Change, which is taking place March 23-24, 2017, at the Grand Hyatt Hotel, 1000 H. Street NW, Washington

DC. We would be honored if he could expand on his excellent remarks at CPAC in front of an audience of some 250 climate scientists, economists, energy policy experts, think tank leaders, and the general public. Myron, by the way, is among those speaking, and you can review the whole schedule [here](#).

I believe Mr. Pruitt is familiar with The Heartland Institute and our work on climate change from his time in public service in Oklahoma. Heartland is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit and nonpartisan research and education organization. It is not affiliated with any other think tank, foundation, corporation, or political organization. It is “the world’s most prominent think tank supporting skepticism of man-made climate change” (according to *The Economist*). We have published more books, policy studies, and commentaries on the topic than any other free-market think tank in the world (according to the scientific journal *Global Environmental Change*). We are ranked in the top ten free-market think tanks in the world (according to *TheBestSchools.org*). More information is available on our website at <http://heartland.org/>.

The theme of the conference is simple: Climate change does not require that we reduce energy consumption or replace fossil fuels with alternative energies. I am confident that this is Mr. Pruitt’s view on the subject. Leading experts will discuss the science and economics of issue, addressing such topics as the economic benefits of fossil fuels, pros and cons of alternative fuels, “social cost of carbon,” cost of regulations, and the outline of a plan to “reset” U.S. climate policy.

The conference will feature 40 speakers, including members of Congress, other officials in the Trump administration (invited but not yet confirmed), and the following distinguished climate experts (all confirmed): **Scott Armstrong, Ph.D.** (Massachusetts Institute of Technology), **Susan Crockford, Ph.D.** (University of Victoria, Canada), **Kevin Dayaratna, Ph.D.** (The Heritage Foundation), **Don Easterbrook, Ph.D.** (Western Washington University (Emeritus)), **Myron Ebell,** (Competitive Enterprise Institute), **James Enstrom, Ph.D.** (University of California – Los Angeles), **Indur Goklany, Ph.D.** (Department of the Interior), **Ross McKittrick, Ph.D.** (University of Guelph), **Robert Mendelsohn, Ph.D.** (Yale University), **Patrick Michaels, Ph.D.** (Cato Institute), **Steve Milloy, MHS, JD** (Junkscience.com), **S. Fred Singer, Ph.D.** (University of Virginia (Emeritus)), **Willie Soon, Ph.D.** (Harvard-Smithsonian Center on Solar Physics), **Daniel Sutter, Ph.D.** (Troy University), **Timothy Terrell, Ph.D.** (Wofford College, SC), and **Benjamin Zycher, Ph.D.** (American Enterprise Institute).

We plan to limit attendance to 200 ticket buyers (\$179 for general admission to the two-

day event), speakers, and Congressional staff who attend for free. Several other free-market think tanks, including The Heritage Foundation, have agreed to cosponsor this event.

We ask that Mr. Pruitt consider speaking at any of the plenary sessions – breakfast, lunch, or dinner on Thursday, March 23, or breakfast or lunch on Friday, March 24.

Can you please convey this request to the Mr. Pruitt, along with my sincere congratulations and best wishes? And please let me know if there is anything I can do to increase the odds of a favorable decision!

Regards,

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