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**Subject:** RE: Re-send: Interview Request for Associate Administrator Dravis (Fault Lines/ Al Jazeera)

Hey Andrea the quote below is all we can provide at this time.

“We are supporting the restoration of America’s economy through extensive reviews of the misaligned regulatory actions from the past administration. The previous administration abused the regulatory process to advance an ideological agenda that expanded the reach of the federal government, often dismissing the technological and economic concerns raised by the regulated community and duplicating long-standing regulations by states and localities. Moving forward, EPA will be listening to those directly impacted by regulations, and learning ways we can work together with our state and local partners, to ensure that we can provide clean air, land, and water to Americans,” said Administrator Scott Pruitt.

<https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/regulatory-reform-underway-epa>

**From:** Andréa Schmidt [redacted] **Ex. 6**  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 11, 2017 12:04 PM  
**To:** Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Press <Press@epa.gov>; Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>; StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>; Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>  
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Hi Michael,

Thanks for letting me know.

Is EPA willing to put forward anyone to speak to the regulatory reform process or to regulatory decisions being made with regard to any of the areas I mentioned in my initial email (the CPP, CCR, ELG or chlorpyrifos)?

Cheers,  
andrea

On Wed, Oct 11, 2017 at 11:58 AM, Abboud, Michael <[abboud.michael@epa.gov](mailto:abboud.michael@epa.gov)> wrote:

Hey Andrea, we won't be able to accommodate an interview at this time.

**From:** Andréa Schmidt [redacted] **Ex. 6**  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 11, 2017 11:22 AM

**To:** Press <Press@epa.gov>; Jones, Enesta <Jones.Enesta@epa.gov>; StClair, Christie <StClair.Christie@epa.gov>;  
Daguillard, Robert <Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov>

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Hi Enesta, Robert, and Christie,

I'm re-sending our interview request for Associate Administrator Samantha Dravis, below, regarding regulatory reform in general and specific regulatory matters pertaining to all three of your areas. I left a message at EPA press number last week as well.

We're hoping to speak with Ms. Dravis on Oct. 23 or 24 in DC (and again, if those dates aren't possible, just let me know what dates are viable and we'll do our utmost to make it work.)

Looking forward to hearing back from you.

Many thanks,

Andrea

On Thu, Oct 5, 2017 at 11:47 AM, Andréa Schmidt <[REDACTED]> wrote:

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wrote:

Hello,

I'm a producer for Al Jazeera English's Emmy award-winning program Fault Lines, a show dedicated to explaining U.S. politics and policy to our global audience.

I'm reaching out to request an interview with EPA Senior Counsel and Associate Administrator Samantha Dravis, for a story about President Trump's regulatory reform agenda, and the significant strides EPA has made in reviewing, delaying or rescinding a whole range of regulations. This of course includes efforts to repeal and replace the Clean Power Plant, but also,

for example, the decisions to reconsider Coal Combustion Residuals Rule, delay implementation and revise Effluent Limitation Guidelines for coal-fired power plants, and to deny the petition to revoke tolerances for the pesticide chlorpyrifos. In light of her role helping EPA's Regulatory Reform Task Force, we're particularly interested in speaking with Ms. Dravis about the process by which progress on regulatory reform at EPA is being made, as well as the implications for regular Americans' economy, health and environment.

This interview will be conducted by Fault Lines correspondent Josh Rushing. We'd aim to schedule it on the week of October 23, but if that's not possible because of scheduling constraints, we're happy to discuss other possible times. The interview will be pre-recorded, and broadcast as part of an episode that will air at the end of November 2017.

Please let me know what's possible and don't hesitate to contact me with any questions you might have about this request at

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Thanks for your consideration,

Andrea

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Andréa Schmidt  
Journalist/Director/Producer

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