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Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Meeting Request - Sila Nanotechnologies CEO, Gene Berdichevsky

Good morning Yuliya,

Please let us know what you need from us to initiate the security process. Feel free to give me a call if needed.

Best,
Katherine

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Katherine,

Thank you for this. I am looking forward to meeting you all.

Michael

Yuliya,

Is there anything else we need to get everyone in? Can we get COS conference room?

Michael

From: Katherine.Speece@hklaw.com <Katherine.Speece@hklaw.com>
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Hi Michael,

Hope you are well! Wanted to confirm that the team is cleared for security tomorrow. In case it's helpful, all participants are (b) (6), full legal spellings are listed below. Let us know if there is anything else you need from us.

- Eugene Michael Berdichevsky, Sila, (b) (6)
- Helena Mastrogianis Schwarz, Sila, (b) (6)
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Tuesday 3pm

From: Helena Schwarz <hschwarz@silanano.com>
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Hi Michael,

Touching base to see if you have a preferred time to meet Tuesday (or Wednesday).

All best,
Helena

On Thu, Jun 12, 2025 at 1:56 PM Helena Schwarz <hschwarz@silanano.com> wrote:
Michael,

Thanks so much. How's 4:30 or 4PM Tuesday?

I've attached a Sila backgrounder. Please let us know of any thoughts or questions before we meet. Looking forward to it.

Best,
Helena

Helena Schwarz
Director, Government Affairs
Sila Nanotechnologies, Inc.

On Wed, Jun 11, 2025 at 8:35 PM Brown, Michael G. <michael.brown@hq.doe.gov> wrote:

Helena,

Tuesday afternoon is just fine. Looking forward to meeting you.

If you have any pre-briefs, I'd love to read them.

Michael

From: Helena Schwarz <hschwarz@silanano.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 11, 2025 7:55:31 PM
To: Secretary <the.secretary@hq.doe.gov>
Cc: Hebert, Ashley <ashley.hebert@hq.doe.gov>; Lamanna, Isabelle <Isabelle.Lamanna@hq.doe.gov>;

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Our thanks to the entire team here.

Michael, we look forward to meeting. Is Tuesday afternoon or anytime Wednesday preferable for you? I'll stand by for your guidance and let you drop folks from the thread. I've added Taite and Katherine from Holland & Knight who will be joining us.

All best,
Helena

On Wed, Jun 11, 2025 at 1:23 PM Secretary <the.secretary@hq.doe.gov> wrote:

Hi Helena,

I hope you are having a great week so far! Unfortunately, the Secretary's schedule is already fully committed for the week of the 16th.

With that being said, I'm looping in Michael Brown. He is our Deputy Chief of Staff and is someone I think would be great for your team to connect with!

Thanks so much for understanding the busy schedule right now and I hope you have a great rest of your week.

Best,

Secretary Wright's Office

Department of Energy

The.Secretary@hq.doe.gov

From: Helena Schwarz <hschwarz@silanano.com>

Sent: Friday, June 6, 2025 3:11 PM

To: Secretary <the.secretary@hq.doe.gov>

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I really appreciate the note of confirmation. Looking forward to meeting. Enjoy your weekend!

Helena Schwarz

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Sila Nanotechnologies, Inc.

On Thu, Jun 5, 2025 at 2:07 PM Secretary <the.secretary@hq.doe.gov> wrote:

Good afternoon, Helena, hope you are having a great week so far!

Thank you for your interest in setting up a meeting with Secretary Wright.

We have received the completed form, and our team will review it and get back to you as soon as possible.

Best,

Secretary Wright's Office

Department of Energy

The.Secretary@hq.doe.gov

From: Helena Schwarz <hschwarz@silanano.com>

Sent: Tuesday, June 3, 2025 5:01 PM

To: Secretary <the.secretary@hq.doe.gov>

Cc: Hebert, Ashley <ashley.hebert@hq.doe.gov>; Lamanna, Isabelle <Isabelle.Lamanna@hq.doe.gov>;

Mcgregor, Ruby <ruby.mcgregor@hq.doe.gov>

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Good afternoon Secretary Wright,

On behalf of Gene Berdichevsky, CEO of Sila Nanotechnologies, I am writing to respectfully request a meeting with you during his upcoming visit to Washington, D.C. the week of June 16 (preferably June 17-18).

Sila is a U.S.-based leader in critical materials production, advancing the Administration's goal of securing energy independence by reshoring key energy supply chains through cutting-edge domestic innovation. Initially supported by an Advanced Research Projects Agency-Energy award, Sila has since emerged as a global materials leader through our patented silicon anode technology. We continue to collaborate with the Department of Energy, most recently receiving an award from the Office of Manufacturing and Energy Supply Chains in 2022 to build a manufacturing facility in Moses Lake, Washington.

Mr. Berdichevsky is encouraged by the Administration's commitment to making the United States a global hub for critical materials production and processing. He would welcome the opportunity to discuss how Sila's work aligns with and supports these national priorities.

For your review, we have attached a letter from Mr. Berdichevsky along with a completed meeting request form. We appreciate your consideration and look forward to the opportunity to engage with you directly.

Sincerely,

Helena

Helena Schwarz

Director, Government Affairs

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