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**Subject:** RE: Subject: FW: Media query

Looks like we'll make it.

On background, please:

The Renewables Enhancement and Growth Support (REGS) rule was proposed on November 16, 2016. Since the REGS proposed rule comment period closed last year, staff have been going through the many comments received, evaluating issues raised in the comments, and exploring options for resolving these issues. At this time, EPA has not sent a final REGS rule to OMB for interagency review, nor do we have a timeline for next steps. The estimated date of November 2018 in the Unified Agenda of Regulatory and Deregulatory Actions for when EPA expects to issue a final rule is incorrect. EPA does not have an updated timetable to share at this point.

Cheers, R.

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**Subject:** RE: Subject: FW: Media query

Thank you. By the end of today if possible would be great. Tks.



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Good morning Michael,

A quick word to acknowledge receipt. We are working to get back to you soon. What's your deadline, please?

Regards, R.

**From:** Schneider, Michael [<mailto:mschneider@opisnet.com>]  
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**To:** Parsons, Nick <[Parsons.Nick@epa.gov](mailto:Parsons.Nick@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** FW: Media query

Mr. Parsons,

Hope all is well. I had left a voicemail yesterday.

I have a couple of questions about the proposed Renewables Enhancement and Growth Support [REGS] rule if you don't mind:

The proposed rule was sent to the Office of Management and Budget for review, correct? Can you tell me when it was sent?

The Urban Air Initiative said that REGS would make ethanol blends above 15% illegal in anything other than flex fuel vehicles (FFVs). Is that the case?

It also said that a final rule is expected by November; is that your understanding?

UAI called REGS "a potential death blow to the ethanol industry." Can you tell me your response to that?

Tks!



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