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Sent: 10/30/2017 4:00:40 PM
To: Gordon, Stephen [/o=ExchangeLabs/ou=Exchange Administrative Group (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/cn=Recipients/cn=7c8fb4d82bff4eec98f5c5d00a47f554-Gordon, Ste]; Bennett, Tate [/o=ExchangeLabs/ou=Exchange Administrative Group (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/cn=Recipients/cn=1fa92542f7ca4d01973b18b2f11b9141-Bennett, E]
CC: Konkus, John [/o=ExchangeLabs/ou=Exchange Administrative Group (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/cn=Recipients/cn=555471b2baa6419e8e141696f4577062-Konkus, Joh]
Subject: RE: Please join us at EPA on Tuesday, 10-31, 2 PM

Thanks! Good stuff.

From: Gordon, Stephen [mailto:gordon.stephen@epa.gov]
Sent: Monday, October 30, 2017 11:48 AM
To: Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov>; Myron Ebell <Myron.Ebell@cei.org>
Cc: Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Please join us at EPA on Tuesday, 10-31, 2 PM

Myron,

Please see the below talking points. Look forward to seeing you at the event tomorrow.

Eliminating Conflicts of Interest.

- **Administrator Pruitt is establishing a policy that if you currently receive dollars from the agency in grant money, you are not eligible to serve on all EPA advisory boards. The Administrator made a commitment to ensure independence from EPA on these boards when they make advisory decisions.**
- Example- Past SAB and CASAC members have received upwards of tens of millions of dollars in grant money over the last 10 years.

The previous Administration excluded state and local interests from their boards, ignoring principals of cooperative federalism.

- For the Science Advisory Connectivity Panel, which was reviewing a highly influential scientific assessment designed to inform EPA's authority under the Clean Water Act and EPA's drafting 2015 WOTUS, EPA did not include state and local experts.
- For EPA's Fracturing Research Advisory Panel Subcommittee, there were zero individuals representing state/local matters on the actual panel, despite there being multiple state/local nominees to serve on the panel

The previous Administration didn't follow the law.

S(109)(D)(2)(A) requires CASAC to have 7 members including a physician, a NAS member and a state representative. The previous Administration allowed the same board member to wear multiple roles when serving on the CASAC board – Administrator Pruitt believes this is in contrary to what the law states and will uphold the law by having 3 unique individuals represent these 3 required roles. This confusion of wearing “multiple hats” only deepens the lack of transparency – i.e. which one do you represent if you wear multiple hats?

-Stephen

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Stephen will get you some talking points asap. Thanks in advance for your materials.

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Dear Stephen, I'd like to attend.
Thanks, Tate. Will this event be the public release or before it or after it? If possible, we'd like to get some of the details before you go public, so that we can have a statement ready to go.
Yours, Myron.

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Stop continental drift!

From: Bennett, Tate [<mailto:Bennett.Tate@epa.gov>]
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**You are invited to join Administrator Pruitt for an announcement next Tuesday.
October 31, 2017
2 PM; Please arrive no later than 1:50 PM
Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave, NW, Washington, D.C. 20460
SOUTH Building Entrance**

RSVP to Gordon.Stephen@epa.gov

For more details on the event please e-mail myself or Gordon.Stephen@epa.gov directly and provide a good phone number.

This invitation is not transferable externally, but you may bring a guest or two from within your organization so long as they RSVP.

Tate

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