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Subject: RE: Media Comments

Thank you, Mr. Davis. Attached is the letter from our administration to DOI. The Governor also had conversations with senior advisors at the White House and spearheaded a letter from the Western Governor's Association and we have been communicating frequently with the large operators and the trade associations (NMOGA, IPANM, PBPA). They have all been appreciative of her efforts.

Please feel free to reach out to me anytime if you need an update and I will try to keep you in the loop as well. CB

From: Allen Davis <ardavis@co.eddy.nm.us>
Sent: Friday, March 12, 2021 11:32 AM
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Subject: [EXT] Media Comments

Ms. Buerkle,

I understand that you had concerns about comments that I had made regarding my perspective of the efforts that the Governor and the State are undertaking related to the Executive Orders from the President that were initiated last January. I spoke with Mr. Heaton and he shared your concerns with me. In the future, please don't hesitate to contact me when you have questions or concerns. I think that one way we can improve is by having greater visibility and transparency about what we see happening both locally here in the County as well as at the State level in Santa Fe. Unfortunately, quite often, those lines of communication aren't open, or aren't used often enough. And please don't misunderstand my comments, I realize that the Governor covers many topics and issues each and every day. And she's not going to have the time to reach out or share with us on all issues. But I would hope, that when something like the Executive Orders that directly affect activities in our County, that some of the staff and resources she has at her access would reach out, or share in order to unify and strengthen messages.

Eddy County, among others, is strongly and continually advocated for the oil and gas industry, and the challenges that go along with that industry, because of the consequences – both positive and negative – that the industry has for our County and the State of New Mexico. So, when there are opportunities to share messages

or have a dialogue about what some of the cause and affect elements are with that industry and any associated orders or legislature, then I think it's important to have as much information and as many facts as possible to get the message right.

If you, or someone on your staff is willing to help with that, I'm willing to take that information and make the most of it. As you are aware, there have been lots of inquiries locally from national media sources that call to ask about the impacts and affects locally. I try to stay as informed as practicable and incorporate that information into the discussions and dialogue that I have. If there is an avenue to obtain that information from the Governor's office that's related to our local issues, I'm certainly willing to incorporate that into those discussions.

Having said this, is it possible to share the letter that the Governor sent to the Biden administration, that she referred to her comments with the Albuquerque Chamber of Commerce earlier this week? She mentioned that a strongly worded letter had been sent to the administration regarding the Executive orders.

Ms. Buerkle – I appreciate your time and consideration. And please don't hesitate to reach out.

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