Exhibit 17

From: Huggins, Richard < huggins.richard@epa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, September 18, 2019 1:25 PM

To: Thomas Cmar
Cc: hill.kevinw@epa.gov

Subject: RE: EPA-HQ-2019-001329 - Request for Phone Call

Thom,

Below is our first take at narrowing the list of custodians. We got it down to 31 custodians, but for reference the Office of Water request you asked about we believe has only six custodians. If you would be willing to narrow the request to a half dozen or so custodians to search, we should be able to get you records much sooner.

Outlook email for the following custodians:

- 1. Behan, Frank
- 2. Benware, Richard
- 3. Bolen, Brittany
- 4. Breen, Barry
- 5. Brown, Byron
- 6. Chow, Rita
- 7. Cook, Steven
- 8. Cooperstein, Sharon
- 9. Darwin, Veronica (added by EPA)
- 10. Davis, Patrick (added by EPA)
- 11. Debell, Kevin
- 12. Devlin, Betsy
- 13. Dravis, Samantha
- 14. Greenwalt, Sarah
- 15. Hillyer, Kirsten
- 16. Hoffman, Lee (added by EPA)
- 17. Hoverman, Taylor (added by EPA)
- 18. Huff, Markj (added by EPA)
- 19. Huggins, Richard
- 20. Jackson, Mary
- 21. Jackson, Ryan
- 22. Johnson, Barnes
- 23. Kime, Robin
- 24. Mcminimy, Chris
- 25. Mills, Jason
- 26. Pruitt, Scott
- 27. Simon, Nigel
- 28. Souders, Steve
- 29. Wheeler, Andrew
- 30. Wooden-Aguilar, Helena
- 31. Wright, Peter

These custodians were added by you on July 24, 2019 but we recommend removing them.

- 1. Elliott, Ross
- 2. Livnat, Alexander

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- 3. Mattick, Richard
- 4. Miller, Jesse

These Custodians were added by EPA after July 24, 2019 but we recommend removing them.

- 1. Bergman, Shawna
- 2. Birchfield, Norman
- 3. Brooks, Becky
- 4. Coleman, Cheryl
- 5. Colon, Lilybeth
- 6.—Hilosky, Nick
- 7.—Janjic, Ksenija
- 8. Long, Michelle
- 9. Radtke, Meghan
- 10. Wittstruck, Nathan

Date Range:

1/20/2017 - 9/3/2019

We began the search on September 3. We recommended narrowing this date range because it covers almost three years' worth of records.

Key Words:

One way we could search is by making sure every record has one of the three <u>broad topic keywords</u> and at least one of a narrower topic keyword and not an <u>unrelated topic keyword</u> to kick out those topics.

The search string for the document collection could look something like this:

("CCR" or "Coal Combustion Residuals" or "coal ash")

AND

("Util. Solid Waste Activities Grp. v." OR "Utility Solid Waste Activities Group v." OR "Util. Solid Waste Activities Group v." "USWAG" near/3 "case") OR ("USWAG" near/3 "decision") OR ("USWAG" near/3 "ruling") OR "D.C. Circuit" OR "clay-line!" OR "clay line!" OR "October 31, 2020" OR ("clos!" near/10 "extension") OR ("clos!" near/10 "feasib!") OR ("257.103" AND "non-CCR") OR ("alternative closure" AND "non-CCR") OR "coal residuals piles" OR "coal combustion residuals piles" OR "waste piles" OR "CCR piles" OR "coal ash piles" OR "definition of solid waste" OR "site-specific conditions" OR ("site-specific" near /10 "constituents") OR "alternative point of compliance" OR "alternative compliance period" OR ("alternative" near/10 "corrective action") OR ("decrease" near/10 "post-closure care") OR ("short!" near /10 "post-closure care") OR "non-groundwater releases" OR ("Boron" near/10 "corrective action") OR ("Boron" near/10 "level") OR ("Boron" near/10 "health advisory") OR "risk-based" OR "risk-based cleanup" OR "alternative risk-based" OR "structural fill!" OR "clay mine!" OR ("recla!" near/20 "fill"))

AND NOT

("[Insert keyword here]" OR " [insert keyword here] ")

If you would be willing to remove some of the second list of keywords, that would help shrink the document collection from the current voluminous estimates. And once the document collection is ready, I believe there is a way to narrow the set to just external emails only. We could only get to that point though with first identifying the search terms above. Also note that we can prioritize the order of review once we know the entire scope of the records to review. Please let us know if you have any questions and we look forward to hearing from you.

Richard Huggins Jr., Chief

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From: Thomas Cmar <tcmar@earthjustice.org>
Sent: Monday, September 9, 2019 12:13 PM
To: Hill, Kevin W. <hill.kevinw@epa.gov>

Cc: Huggins, Richard < Huggins. Richard@epa.gov>

Subject: Re: EPA-HQ-2019-001329 - Request for Phone Call

Thanks, Kevin - will look for your call then.

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 9, 2019, at 10:58 AM, Hill, Kevin W. hill.kevinw@epa.gov> wrote:

Confirming, and will reach you at your cell number. Thanks.

Regards, Kevin

Kevin W. Hill

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From: Thomas Cmar [mailto:tcmar@earthjustice.org]

Sent: Monday, September 9, 2019 11:54 AM To: Hill, Kevin W. hill.kevinw@epa.gov>

Cc: Huggins, Richard < Huggins.Richard@epa.gov >

Subject: Re: EPA-HQ-2019-001329 - Request for Phone Call

Thanks, Kevin - I could talk at 9:30 tomorrow.

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 9, 2019, at 10:52 AM, Hill, Kevin W. < hill.kevinw@epa.gov > wrote:

Thom,

Are you free tomorrow 9:30 a.m. EST or 3:30 p.m. EST? Thanks.

Regards, Kevin