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Subject Re: EPA contact re: Bannister Complex

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yes, go ahead with all of it.

Cleaver's chief of staff here is Leslie Woolley. We've been talking to her about the KC federal building.



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In follow up to our discussion Tuesday am, I called EPA Headquarters. My contact recommended that I call Rich Hood at EPA, R7. He is the Associate Administrator for Communications and Intergovernmental Affairs in R7 (career role) and works in the Office of the Regional Administrator. Office number (direct line).

I just got off the phone with Rich. I let him know that I was looking for some risk communication help for GSA R7 re: Bannister. He is very aware of situation. He shared in confidence that the Acting DRA in R7 has insisted on being the point person with Mary Ruwwe and the DRA really doesn't know what she is doing. Mary may know her and be comfortable with her, but Rich says, this is not the person you want helping. I suggested that I overcome that by writing him and his top boss saying the EPA HQ folks clearly connected me to the right person and could he be our point of contact -- for Mary R and Sahar. He's comfortable with that.

Rich knows his stuff and has some strong people who can help review documents and help, but they aren't staffed to have someone go to PBS R6 full time to help. Their new RA just came on board, so he is a little in crunch time, but Bannister is one of the top 7 issues he is raising to his boss. He has been working with Jeff Jolly (spelling) - sounded like Cleaver's CoS and that is going well. He shared that Cleaver really wants to help work this through. He also noted that when Bond wants something, he generally gets it -- so he seems to get the lay of the land. He said Charlie Cooke, our PAO and Mary Ruwwe were good people, but frankly he thought they were overwhelmed. He also noted the State of Missouri doesn't handle controversial sites well has been little help.

Rich said that he didn't think our Qs & As for staff were that good. His team recommended changes that were not accepted. He thought we should have gone with far fewer Qs & As and not handed out the historical chronology. He thought it looked like overkill and like we protest to much. Also, he strongly recommends we not do what he thinks we did - and say it's safe. They have learned the hard way you never say it's safe. You provide the data and interpret it to say it is below or within tolerable levels...

Anyway, he is ready to help however he can. I think we need Sahar and Marry to connect with him after I clear it with his boss. Before I reach out to the boss, I want to know if you agree?

He also recommended an excellent local risk communication expert that may be available - Jane Mobley & Associates, a small woman-owned risk communication consulting shop; office number cell He will call Jane and see if she is available and will send me an email letting us know.

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