

Documentation of Oral Communications From Registered Lobbyist Concerning Policy Matters Related to the Recovery Act

This notification is made pursuant to Sections 3(d)-(e) of the Presidential Memorandum For Heads of Executive Departments and Agencies dated March 20, 2009, entitled *Ensuring Responsible Spending of Recovery Act Funds*. At the outset of the oral communications concerning the Recovery Act, individuals or parties appearing or communicating were asked if any of them were lobbyists registered under the Lobbying Disclosure Act. The registered lobbyists appearing or communicating were informed that DOT OIG officials would discuss policy matters only and that DOT OIG employees would have no oral communications concerning particular projects, applications, or applicants for funding under the Recovery Act. The registered lobbyists were informed that they could provide written communications concerning particular projects, applications, or applicants for funding under the Recovery Act, which we would publicly post on our Recovery Act webpage.

Date	Time (start to end)	Registered Lobbyists (name and employer)	DOT OIG Employees (names and titles)
05/27/09	10:00 AM to 10:45 AM	Ed Welch, Legislative Director, Passenger Vessel Association (PVA)	Brenda James, Program Director Anita Visser, Senior Analyst
Short Description of Substance of Oral Communications			
<p>When scheduled (if unscheduled, state "Unscheduled") Meeting scheduled via e-mail 05/26/09</p> <p>In-person or telephonic communication (if other, describe) Meeting via telephone from DOT OIG Headquarters.</p> <p>OIG Audit or project number (w/ hyperlink if available) ARRA Agency Scan - Phase II 09U3002M000</p> <p>DOT Mode and Program DOT/OIG/JA-40 Program: Maritime Administration (MARAD) Small Shipyard Grants Program (SSGP)</p> <p>Subjects raised during oral communications and concise summary OIG discussed with PVA the nature of its membership, some members' experiences with MARAD's administration of the FY 2008 program, the state of the shipyard and maritime industries, and the type of equipment shipyards might purchase under the SSGP.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">#</p>			