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Subject: Re: Terminal Blasting mtg.
Date: Monday, April 08, 2013 5:08:46 PM
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Hi Bill,

We understand and appreciate the desire to complete the remaining steps in permitting for the New Bedford Marine Commerce Terminal. As we stated on the previous joint call and in additional calls with EPA staff, NMFS only has one remaining step and that is to close out the consultation process under the Endangered Species Act. When EPA presented their proposed permitting action to us for consultation it did not include blasting so it was not evaluated or addressed in our existing ESA consultation. We have been provided and have reviewed the information on blasting, and are comfortable with that analysis and the conclusion that the proposed blasting is not likely to adversely affect listed species. We have verbally communicated that to everyone, now we just need to close the ESA process steps. We need EPA to send us a letter stating that they have modified their proposed action to include blasting and provide us with their conclusion relative to ESA listed species and request our concurrence. Once we have that letter, we can respond and that will conclude NMFS' activity regarding this project. As I committed on the phone, we stand ready to move our response through as quickly as possible once we receive that incoming letter from EPA. In the meantime, we do not want to waste anyone's time on additional phone calls or meetings to discuss technical issues related to this project. All of the required information has been provided to us and we have reviewed it and are comfortable technically with the project - we just need to close out the ESA procedural last step.

I hope this provides additional clarity as to NMFS' position on this project and reaffirms our commitment to move quickly to close out the last ESA procedural step once we receive an incoming letter from EPA.

Thank you.
John

On Fri, Apr 5, 2013 at 6:27 PM, Bill White <bwhite@masscec.com> wrote:

Suzan,

We would like to follow-up our request from last week for a meeting on blasting with John Bullard. Recognizing Phil's email below, our team is available to meet on Friday, April 12. If you want to do this meeting in Gloucester, we would be available between 1:00 – 5:00 PM.

Many thanks,

Bill

PS If we stay to 5:00 PM, we assume Mr. Bullard would take us out to dinner at the Causeway, which I believe has the largest portions of fried seafood in all of Gloucester!

Bill White

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From: Colarusso, Phil [mailto:colarusso.phil@epa.gov]

Sent: Monday, April 01, 2013 3:20 PM

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Cc: Bill White; Megan Ryan - NOAA Federal

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Suzan,

I'm in Florida until April 8. I am not available April 10, but am available 11 or 12.

Phil

From: Suzan Oliver - NOAA Federal [suzan.oliver@noaa.gov]

Sent: Monday, April 01, 2013 1:57 PM

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Subject: Terminal Blasting mtg.

Re: Bill's email below, can you please let me know your availability on Thursday and Friday as requested for a meeting in Gloucester? Thank you.

From: Bill White
Sent: Wednesday, March 27, 2013 3:02 PM
To: 'John Bullard - NOAA Federal'; 'Colarusso, Phil'
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Subject: Terminal Blasting Mtg

John & Phil,

Thanks for all your time to date related to the permitting of the historic New Bedford Marine Commerce Terminal. On the important issue of blasting, our team would like to request a meeting to review the acoustical modeling report we commissioned at the end of last year and consult with you on a preferred approach to minimize impacts to the resource. Let us know if you would be available to meet with our team next Thursday or Friday, April 4 or 5. We are available to meet in Gloucester, Boston, or New Bedford.

Best,

Bill

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