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To: Sherry Lewis  
Date: Wed, Jul 7, 1999 10:41 AM  
Subject: Re: MDNR wants to meet us for guidance

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I'd like to attend. I'd also like to know if we should have Dr. Lee attend he is a CHP from our region and is familiar with the site?

>>> Sherry Lewis 07/07 7:46 AM >>>  
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Steve estimates that the meeting with NRC would (1) last about ½ day, (2) require NRC personnel who are knowledgeable about DG-4006, buried waste, and/or health physics, and (3) take place at NRC headquarters. He wants to meet in August 1999 so that MDNR can begin site characterization in September 1999 (license should be issued by then).

As of now, we're looking to schedule the meeting during the week of August 23, 1999. You're invited to attend. If you would like to join us via telephone, please let me know so that I can set up a line.

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**To:** Sherry Lewis  
**Date:** Wed, Jul 7, 1999 1:41 PM  
**Subject:** Re: MDNR inspection schedule?

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**From:** Edward Kulzer  
**To:** Sherry Lewis  
**Date:** Wed, Jul 7, 1999 2:23 PM  
**Subject:** Bay City

Sherry,

Here is the phone number for Fairfield Inn which is in Bay City and is the best way to get to the MDNR site 5176677050. The Crown Plaza is in Saganaw and the phone number is 5177536608. Just so you are aware the Fairfield is only one or two years old and the Crown Plaza is in downtown Saganaw which is not a good area..

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**From:** Edward Kulzer  
**To:** Sherry Lewis  
**Date:** Thu, Jul 8, 1999 8:05 AM  
**Subject:** Re: Concurrence for MDNR final EA on license

yes

>>> Sherry Lewis 07/07 3:18 PM >>>  
Ed,

Am I understanding you correctly that you concur on the final EA of MDNR?

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**From:** Sherry Lewis  
**To:** MDNR 8/24/99 Meeting  
**Date:** Mon, Jul 12, 1999 1:07 PM  
**Subject:** MDNR Meeting on 8/24/99

To the address:

Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) requested a meeting between NRC and MDNR to discuss the Tobico Marsh site in Kawkawlin. You are currently scheduled or invited to attend. The purpose of the meeting is for MDNR to (1) get technical guidance on buried waste and (2) get feedback on their line of thinking for their characterization plan. They couldn't find much guidance on buried waste, and want NRC input. They have completed a characterization plan, and would like to know whether their line of logic (i.e., dose assessment methods, the number of samples, etc.) is reasonable before they actually begin site characterization.

**TIME:** Tuesday, August 24, 1999  
9:00 am to 1:00 pm

**PLACE:** TWFN-7F5

Thanks,  
Sherry Lewis  
415-6619

**CC:** Jack Parrott

**From:** Sherry Lewis  
**To:** Edward Kulzer, Peter Lee  
**Date:** Mon, Jul 19, 1999 9:01 AM  
**Subject:** Re: Meeting Regarding Tobico Marsh Characterization

Ed and Peter,

I'm forwarding the info below.

-Sherry

>>> "Steven Masciulli" <s.masciulli@snet.net> 7/19/1999 9:22:36 AM >>>  
Sherry,

I wanted to send copies of email that I just sent you to Ed Kulzer and Peter Lee. However, I must not have their correct addresses because the mail was undeliverable. Could you please forward my email regarding the proposed meeting topics to them. Also, please cc me when you forward it to them so that I can get their correct email addresses.

Thank you,  
Steve

>>> "Steven Masciulli" <s.masciulli@snet.net> 7/19/1999 8:50:20 AM >>>  
Hi Sherry,

Has our meeting been confirmed for Tuesday, August 24th at 9:00?

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**Date:** Mon, Jul 19, 1999 9:22 AM  
**Subject:** Re: Meeting Regarding Tobico Marsh Characterization

Steve,

Thanks for the brief summary of the presentation and areas of discussion for the upcoming meeting. Yes, that meeting is confirmed for Tuesday, August 24, 1999 at 9 AM and is expected to last about 4 hours.

As for the status of the MDNR license, the final Environmental Assessment (EA) is being reviewed by our general counsel now and their response is expected by the end of this week. I plan to send the final EA and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) to the Federal Register after that (with management and general counsel concurrence). After the EA & FONSI are in the FR, we'll send you the license with the Safety Evaluation Report (SER). This should be all completed in August.

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**From:** Sherry Lewis  
**To:** Patricia Santiago, Richard CLEMENT  
**Date:** Mon, Jul 26, 1999 6:30 AM  
**Subject:** Question: U on MDNR license

Pat and Richard,

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Pat Santiago and Tim Johnson will be out of the office until at least next week. I did talk to Richard Clement (HP) and Roy Person (acting for Tim) about this issue.

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Based on my discussions so far, I'm leaning towards keeping the U on the license because: (1) MDNR has requested U on its September 5, 1997, license application, (2) MDNR hasn't sent to me any reasons for excluding U from its license, (3) having U on the license is conservative and MDNR can always request that U be remove from the license, and (4) excluding U now may significantly delay issuing the license to MDNR.

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