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Aaron Yeow to: nglove 02/04/2011 12:22 PM

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Dr. Love.

The DWC meeting will take place in the Washington DC area on March 30-31, 2011. Please save this date on your calendar.

We just posted the List of Candidates on our website yesterday for public comment until February 24, 2011:

http://yosemite.epa.gov/sab/sabproduct.nsf/02ad90b136fc21ef85256eba00436459/38b92187b29155dd8 52577f80050b4d9!OpenDocument&TableRow=2.1#2.

Our records indicate that your ethics form and ethics training are out of date (they need to be renewed every year). We are requesting that you complete the entire 3110-48 form found on the following webpage:

http://yosemite.epa.gov/sab/sabproduct.nsf/WebSABSO/ethics?OpenDocument

{In Archive} Fw: EPA SAB Drinking Water Committee Augmented for the Review of Partial Lead Service Line Replacement Effectiveness

Aaron Yeow to: nglove 02/17/2011 04:05 PM

Cc: Wanda Bright

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Dr. Love,

You had previously indicated that you will not be attending this meeting. If you do plan on attending the meeting or if you plan on providing comments, then we will need your ethics form as indicated in the email below by tomorrow, Friday, February 18, 2011.

Aaron Yeow, M.P.H.
Designated Federal
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U.S. Environmental Protection
Agency Science Advisory Board
202-564-2050 (P)
202-565-2098 (F)

Love, Nancy to: Aaron Yeow Cc: Wanda Bright

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Aaron and Wanda: I'm sorry I didn't make your Friday deadline. (b) (6)

. My day got very

redirected. My forms are attached. I filled them out relevant to the lead service pipe topic in terms of the ethics questions.

If it is possible for me to participate on the first day and ½ of the second day of the meeting, let me know. I am willing to adjust my schedule to make the trip but can't miss class (I only teach once a week, Thursdays, 4-7 and so missing Thursday would be equivalent to missing an entire week of class).

Also, I read the Federal Register and it was not clear to me how to provide comments on the candidates for addition to the committee, other than to contact Aaron. Therefore, I provide some comments below on two of the nominated candidates.

- 1. Howard Hu. Howard is at the University of Michigan and is dept chair of Environmental Health Sciences. His research expertise is in metal exposure and risk in children. He is among the foremost experts on the emerging scientific field of epigenomics as it applies to metals, and I think this is a very important perspective to bring to the committee. I think Howard would be a significant and important addition to the SAB. I do need to reveal that in saying this, Howard is my neighbor $^{\rm (b)}$ $^{\rm (6)}$. However, we have not collaborated directly on a project, but I am working towards collaborations with faculty in his department.
- 2. Marc Edwards. I know Marc very well, having been his colleague at Virginia Tech for several years, including during the initial few years of the DC Lead controversy. I looked at the criteria given in the Federal Register for participants. I paste it here:

Selection criteria to be used for Panel membership include: (a) Scientific and/or technical expertise, knowledge, and experience (primary factors); (b) availability and willingness to serve; (c) absence of financial conflicts of interest; (d) absence of an appearance of a lack of impartiality; and

(e) skills working in committees, subcommittees and advisory panels; and, (f) for the Panel as a whole, diversity of expertise and viewpoints.

In the case of Marc, I have to say that while I think having access to his expertise (as well as that of others) is essential to understanding

this problem, I think that he has significant conflicts of interest and he (and anyone in his situation) would not be able to live up to criterion (d). It is possible to interpret him unable to meet criterion (c) as well (self-funded some of the research once his EPA (?) grant was pulled).

Nancy

----Original Message-----

From: Yeow.Aaron@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Yeow.Aaron@epamail.epa.gov] Sent: Monday,

March 28, 2011 7:54 AM

To: Love, Nancy

Subject: RE: SAB DWC Meeting Nancy,

Did you complete the ethics training?

Here is the call-in information for the meeting: Call-in number:

866-299-3188

Conference code: 2023439878#

"Love, Nancy" Aaron: Yes, most of Wed from 9:30 - 3:30. Thur... 03/22/2011 10:29:00 AM

From: "Love, Nancy" <nglove@umich.edu>

To: Aaron Yeow/DC/USEPA/US@EPA

Date: 03/22/2011 10:29 AM
Subject: RE: SAB DWC Meeting

Aaron: Yes, most of Wed from 9:30 – 3:30. Thur is a greater problem. I will do the ethics training by Friday. I presume that I should connect with Joel and Steve beforehand.

ngl

"Love, Nancy"	Aaron -(b) (6)	and did not get the ethics	03/30/2011 07:29:55

From: "Love, Nancy" < nglove@umich.edu>
To: Aaron Yeow/DC/USEPA/US@EPA

Date: 03/30/2011 07:29 AM
Subject: RE: SAB DWC Meeting

Aaron - (b) (6) and did not get the ethics training completed. I'm guessing that means I should not participate in the meeting. (b) (6)

I'm sorry for the issues associated with my participation in this meeting. March and October are perhaps the worst times in the school year for department chairs (hiring faculty, recruiting students and college events on top of my regular job). (b) (6).

Nancy

From: "Love, Nancy" <nglove@umich.edu> To: Diana Pozun/DC/USEPA/US@EPA Cc: Aaron Yeow/DC/USEPA/US@EPA, "Gauss, Kimberly" <kagauss@umich.edu> Date:

03/14/2011 12:49 PM

Subject: RE: URGENT: HOTEL FOR THE DWC MEETING IN MARCH

Diana — after telling Aaron that I thought I had worked out my schedule to attend, some things changed in my dept schedule and now I am not able to participate in this meeting. My apologies to the committee and my cohort of colleagues to whom I was assigned to work.

Regards, Nancy Love

From: "Lynn Roberts" < Iroberts@jhu.edu>
To: Aaron Yeow/DC/USEPA/US@EPA

Date: 02/08/2011 04:55 PM

Subject: RE: EPA SAB Drinking Water Committee Augmented for the Review of Partial Lead Service Line Replacement

Effectiveness

Aaron:

A quick question. As members of the SAB, are we allowed to comment on the list of candidates for this meeting? (I've been VERY favorably impressed by Marc Edwards' work on this topic).

- Lynn Roberts