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From: Chapman, Steve [CEAA]
Sent: June 16, 2003 2:15 PM
To: McDonald, Derek [CEAA]
Subject: RE: Status of White's Point meeting

Derek,

As you can imagine the timing of panel referral announcements are a very touchy subject especially if we are looking at a joint announcement with the province. I would really prefer to discuss these issues over the phone :)

-Steve

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From: McDonald, Derek [CEAA]
Sent: Monday, June 16, 2003 2:11 PM
To: 'Chris A Daly'; Chapman, Steve [CEAA]
Cc: Zamora, Phil J; DFO XMAR; Boudreau, Paul R; DFO XMAR
Subject: Status of White's Point meeting

Chris/Steve,

That was my original idea anyway - to wait until we have something definite, instead of sitting there awkwardly being evasive. However, Paul Buxton mentioned that he would be away for a week beginning the 28th (in England visiting his dad.)

Nonetheless, I think I should advise the proponent that a decision on process is expected by the end of June and the discussion would be more fruitful at that time. I also think it would be appropriate to advise the proponent of the decision as soon as it's confirmed, but prior to any announcement. Perhaps that is the appropriate timing for a meeting.

I have also learned that the Partnership for Sustainable Development of Digby Neck and Islands is scheduled to meet with Minister Thibault next Thursday - not sure how this could play into timing of an announcement. Will he say something about it?

Derek

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From: Chris A Daly [mailto:DALYCA@gov.ns.ca]
Sent: June 16, 2003 14:47
To: Derek.McDonald@ceaa-acee.gc.ca; Steve.Chapman@ceaa-acee.gc.ca
Subject: Re: FW: Status of meeting

Since we are shooting for a end of June public release date, should we wait until after then to meet with Paul so we can answer his questions on that process too? What do you think? Chris

>>> "McDonald, Derek [CEAA]" <Derek.McDonald@ceaa-acee.gc.ca> 06/16/03
 >>> 02:35PM >>>

The meeting cannot take place on Tuesday pm, due to the proponent being unavailable. Also, I have not heard from DFO - Phil Zamora is unavailable until next week and Paul Boudreau has not yet returned my call.

My suggestion is to wait until next week. By then, we may have some further clarity on where the process is headed and may even be in a position to share that with the proponent. With that in mind, I suggest Tuesday, June 24th. How does that work for you both? (Wed and Thu are also good for me at the moment). However, I still think the

meeting should be structured in two parts - government only (DFO, CEAA, NSDEL), followed by the proponent.

Regarding Paul Buxton's comment about legal vs. technical, I agree with him that bringing in legal advisors at this stage could be counter-productive and my preference is to keep it technical. If legal matters are raised, they can be taken under advisement and addressed separately. Your thoughts?

Derek
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From: Paul Buxton [mailto:paul.buxton@ns.sympatico.ca]
Sent: June 16, 2003 08:46
To: McDonald,Derek [CEAA]
Subject: Re: Status of meeting

Derek,

You're right - it's always the way. Tuesday p.m. is the only time in the next two weeks I can't be there. It does occur to me that since Phil is out this week and he has been our correspondent with DFO it may be better to wait. However, if the decisions are coming from Paul Boudreau then this week is fine. At the moment I am planning to attend with David Kern but it appears that the issues surrounding the blasting plan are more legal than technical. Should legal advisors be at this meeting on both sides or do you think progress can be made? If DFO is going to maintain its current position then legal advisors should be present since clearly our options have run out and we will have to seek a legal resolution. This would result in a poor process from everyone's perspective.

Regards,

Paul

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From: McDonald,Derek [CEAA] <mailto:Derek.McDonald@ceaa-acee.gc.ca>
To: 'Paul Buxton <mailto:paul.buxton@ns.sympatico.ca>'
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Sent: Friday, June 13, 2003 3:58 PM
Subject: RE: Status of meeting

Always the way.....

As soon as I sent my previous message, I got a call from Chris Daly and they are interested in meeting this coming Tuesday (17th). I am trying to arrange for someone from DFO to attend in Phil's stead - possibly Paul Boudreau, who is the Acting Manager of Habitat Management Division.

Would you be available for a meeting (in Halifax) Tuesday afternoon, say at 2:30? Also, please advise who would be attending with you, if anyone.

I will confirm our plans after I talk to DFO.

Regards,
Derek
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-----Original Message-----

From: McDonald,Derek [CEAA]
Sent: June 13, 2003 13:29
To: Paul Buxton (paul.buxton@ns.sympatico.ca)
Subject: Status of meeting

Hello Paul,

I have been discussing this with the various players. It looks like it will definitely not happen next week, mainly because Phil is not available (he's on the road all next week). So we are looking at the week of the 23rd.

I'll keep you posted.

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