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Alyssa,

Thanks for setting aside time to check-in with me today. I'm happy to continue diving into this with you and the team, and re-evaluate my time at the end of May. I've made my priorities clear to the solid waste team.

A few PFOA items:

- Should I attend the press conference tomorrow?
- Any priorities you have for me in terms of prepping messaging for tomorrow's media release? I assume it's shaping up well with Bodi's work.
- See attached work sheet. It contains questions I anticipate we'll get asked repeatedly over the next few days. Let me know if this is something you'd like me to continue to flesh out for you review, or if these questions have already been addressed elsewhere.

Let me know if there's anything else--see you at the briefing tomorrow morning.

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PFOA Investigation: Frequently Asked Questions For Media Personnel

Where are the resources coming from to fund this investigation?

What is EPA's role in all of this?

The Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) has been requesting assistance from EPA in conducting site investigations and collecting water samples. DEC is responsible for coordinating communications and remediation actions with municipalities and the public at large, and will continue to encourage EPA's technical involvement.

Is PFOA everywhere in the environment?

To some extent, yes. PFOA has been found in trace amounts in water, soils, air, sediments, plant matter, and wildlife all around the globe, including remote locations in the Arctic. Because the synthetic chemical has been used widely since the 1950's, and

As of 2005, several major U.S. manufacturers of PFOA and other related chemicals started to voluntarily stop their production.

Why are you investigating PFOA over other chemicals of concern?

What other chemicals should we be worried about coming from these factories?

Has the State ever done a statewide investigation like this in past?

What should people do to keep their water safe?

Is there any money available to help private well owners test their wells for hazardous substances?