

**From:** Macgregor, Katharine  
**To:** [Rees, Gareth](#)  
**Cc:** [Richard Cardinale](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Western Energy Alliance (b) (5)  
**Date:** Friday, February 17, 2017 6:27:13 PM

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Sure this looks good. And we are looking for a potential hour on Jim's calendar for next week with our Bureau Directors, right Rich?

On Fri, Feb 17, 2017 at 5:13 PM, Rees, Gareth <gareth\_rees@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

Hi  
Just wanted to make sure you are ok with me scheduling this for next week?  
Thanks

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From: Magallanes, Downey <downey\_magallanes@ios.doi.gov>  
Date: Tue, Feb 14, 2017 at 2:23 PM  
Subject: Fwd: Western Energy Alliance (b) (5)  
To: Gareth Rees <gareth\_rees@ios.doi.gov>

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From: Benedetto, Kathleen <kathleen\_benedetto@ios.doi.gov <[mailto:kathleen\\_benedetto@ios.doi.gov](mailto:kathleen_benedetto@ios.doi.gov)> >  
Date: Tue, Feb 14, 2017 at 8:31 AM  
Subject: Western Energy Alliance (b) (5)  
To: James Cason <james\_cason@ios.doi.gov>  
Cc: "Cardinale, Richard" <richard\_cardinale@ios.doi.gov>, "Macgregor, Katharine" <katharine\_macgregor@ios.doi.gov <[mailto:katharine\\_macgregor@ios.doi.gov](mailto:katharine_macgregor@ios.doi.gov)> >, Downey Magallanes <downey\_magallanes@ios.doi.gov>, "Jorjani, Daniel" <daniel\_jorjani@ios.doi.gov>

Jim,

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Thanks,

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**From:** Macgregor, Katharine  
**To:** [Hawbecker, Karen](#)  
**Cc:** [James Schindler](#); [Downey Magallanes](#); [Kathleen Benedetto](#); [Marshall Critchfield](#); [Cardinale, Richard](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Scheduling Western Energy Alliance Meeting  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 14, 2017 7:29:12 PM

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Hey Karen - (b) (5)

-Kate

On Tue, Feb 14, 2017 at 6:56 PM, Hawbecker, Karen <karen.hawbecker@sol.doi.gov> wrote:

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**To:** [Cardinale, Richard](mailto:Cardinale.Richard)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Scheduling Western Energy Alliance Meeting  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 14, 2017 7:21:21 PM

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Date: Tue, Feb 14, 2017 at 6:56 PM  
Subject: Scheduling Western Energy Alliance Meeting  
To: James Schindler <james\_schindler@ios.doi.gov>, Downey Magallanes <downey\_magallanes@ios.doi.gov>, Katharine Macgregor <katharine\_macgregor@ios.doi.gov>, Kathleen Benedetto <kathleen\_benedetto@ios.doi.gov>, Marshall Critchfield <marshall\_critchfield@ios.doi.gov>

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**From:** Magallanes, Downey  
**To:** [Gareth Rees](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Western Energy Alliance settlement discussion  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 14, 2017 2:23:44 PM

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To: James Cason <james\_cason@ios.doi.gov>  
Cc: "Cardinale, Richard" <richard\_cardinale@ios.doi.gov>, "Macgregor, Katharine" <katharine\_macgregor@ios.doi.gov>, Downey Magallanes <downey\_magallanes@ios.doi.gov>, "Jorjani, Daniel" <daniel\_jorjani@ios.doi.gov>

Jim,

Yesterday afternoon we, BLM & Solicitor's Office, had a preliminary discussion on possible settlement conditions with the Western Energy Alliance (WEA) who is suing the BLM for not following (in their mind) the Mineral Leasing Act requirements for the oil and gas leasing program.

WEA would like to meet on February 28th or March 1st to discuss settlement options. We would like to brief you on the issue prior to that meeting sometime next week if possible.

let us know what works for you.

Thanks,

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**From:** Magallanes, Downey  
**To:** [Karen Hawbecker](#)  
**Cc:** [James Schindler](#)  
**Subject:** Re: WEA v. Jewell (quarterly leasing) briefing paper  
**Date:** Friday, February 10, 2017 3:22:06 PM

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Thank you we will plan to be there.

On Fri, Feb 10, 2017 at 11:45 AM, Karen Hawbecker <karen.hawbecker@sol.doi.gov> wrote:

Downey and James, You are not yet on the meeting invitation for this briefing on Monday, but I will make sure you receive an invitation. --Karen

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: Karen Hawbecker <karen.hawbecker@sol.doi.gov>  
Date: February 10, 2017 at 11:37:29 AM EST  
To: Kristin Bail <kbail@blm.gov>, Jerome Perez <jperez@blm.gov>, kathleen\_benedetto@ios.doi.gov, marshall\_critchfield@ios.doi.gov <[mailto:marshall\\_critchfield@ios.doi.gov](mailto:marshall_critchfield@ios.doi.gov)>, Michael Nedd <mnedd@blm.gov>, Steven Wells <swells@blm.gov>, lclaypoo@blm.gov, afalwell@blm.gov, rjefferson@blm.gov, lthurn@blm.gov  
Cc: downey\_magallanes@ios.doi.gov, james\_schindler@ios.doi.gov, Richard McNeer <Richard.McNeer@sol.doi.gov>, Daniel DiMauro <danielle.dimauro@sol.doi.gov>, Wendy Dorman <Wendy.Dorman@sol.doi.gov>  
Subject: WEA v. Jewell (quarterly leasing) briefing paper

This is a briefing paper for the Monday 12:45 pm briefing regarding Western Energy Alliance's litigation over BLM's oil and gas lease sale program. (b) (5)

--Karen

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**From:** Downey Magallanes  
**To:** [Schindler, James](mailto:Schindler, James)  
**Cc:** [karen.hawbecker@sol.doi.gov](mailto:karen.hawbecker@sol.doi.gov)  
**Subject:** Re: WEA Quarterly Lease Sale Case--Need for Feedback Today  
**Date:** Monday, February 06, 2017 3:11:56 PM

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Hi Karen I am helping out with DMR cases (onshore). (b) (5)  
[REDACTED]. Thanks

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On Feb 6, 2017, at 2:09 PM, Schindler, James <james\_schindler@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

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**From:** Hawbecker, Karen <karen.hawbecker@sol.doi.gov>  
**Date:** Mon, Feb 6, 2017 at 1:53 PM  
**Subject:** WEA Quarterly Lease Sale Case--Need for Feedback Today  
**To:** James Schindler <james\_schindler@ios.doi.gov>  
**Cc:** Danielle Dimauro <danielle.dimauro@sol.doi.gov>, Wendy Dorman <Wendy.Dorman@sol.doi.gov>

Hi James, (b) (5)  
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Please let us know if you have any questions. Thank you. --Karen

Western Energy Alliance v. Jewell (D.N.M.) (BLM Quarterly Lease Sales) (b) (5)  
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**From:** Jorjani, Daniel  
**To:** [Haugrud, Kevin](mailto:Kevin.Haugrud@sol.doi.gov)  
**Cc:** [Edward Keable](mailto:Edward.Keable@sol.doi.gov); [James Schindler](mailto:James.Schindler@sol.doi.gov)  
**Subject:** Re: Western Energy Alliance v. Jewell, 1:16-cv-00912-WJ-KBM (D.N.M.)  
**Date:** Tuesday, January 24, 2017 3:13:16 PM

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Jack: Much appreciated. Best, dan

On Tue, Jan 24, 2017 at 2:54 PM, Haugrud, Kevin <[jack.haugrud@sol.doi.gov](mailto:jack.haugrud@sol.doi.gov)> wrote:  
Here's the item we briefly discussed, Dan, for which we need to develop a position (please see email string below).

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**From:** **Hawbecker, Karen** <[karen.hawbecker@sol.doi.gov](mailto:karen.hawbecker@sol.doi.gov)>  
**Date:** Tue, Jan 24, 2017 at 12:58 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Western Energy Alliance v. Jewell, 1:16-cv-00912-WJ-KBM (D.N.M.)  
**To:** "Haugrud, Kevin" <[jack.haugrud@sol.doi.gov](mailto:jack.haugrud@sol.doi.gov)>  
**Cc:** Edward T Keable <[edward.keable@sol.doi.gov](mailto:edward.keable@sol.doi.gov)>, Matthew McKeown <[Matthew.McKeown@sol.doi.gov](mailto:Matthew.McKeown@sol.doi.gov)>, Marc Smith <[marc.smith@sol.doi.gov](mailto:marc.smith@sol.doi.gov)>

Jack, (b) (5)

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[Redacted] Thanks. --Karen

On Tue, Jan 24, 2017 at 11:34 AM, Haugrud, Kevin <[jack.haugrud@sol.doi.gov](mailto:jack.haugrud@sol.doi.gov)> wrote:

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On Tue, Jan 24, 2017 at 11:23 AM, Hawbecker, Karen <[karen.hawbecker@sol.doi.gov](mailto:karen.hawbecker@sol.doi.gov)> wrote:

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