EXHIBIT L

Message

From: Paul Boehm [/O=EXPONENT/OU=SITE1/CN=FAAA/CN=PBOEHM]

Sent: 3/3/2011 2:29:54 PM

To: Greenberg.Marc@epamail.epa.gov; Marie BenKinney

[/O=EXPONENT/OU=SITE1/CN=ENVIRONMENTAL/CN=BENKINNEYM]; Mark Johns [/O=EXPONENT/OU=SITE1/CN=ENVIRONMENTAL/CN=MJOHNS]; Laurie Benton [/O=EXPONENT/OU=SITE1/CN=ENVIRONMENTAL/CN=LBENTON]; Linda Cook [/O=EXPONENT/OU=SITE1/CN=ENVIRONMENTAL/CN=LCOOK]; John Brown

[/O=EXPONENT/OU=SITE1/CN=ENVIRONMENTAL/CN=JOHNB]

CC: r.atlas@louisville.edu; Kenneth.J.Boda@uscg.mil; Goodfellow, Bill [bgoodfellow@eaest.com]; Greg Schiefer

[schiefer@setac.org]; Bruce Vigon [bruce.vigon@setac.org]

Subject: RE: SETAC Gulf Oil Spill Focused Topic Meeting: Request on Abstracts from Steering Committee-Exponent

Marc,

I will discuss and get back to you shortly, but please note that the first and last abstracts were not submitted by Exponent scientists.

Regards,

Paul

Paul D. Boehm, Ph.D.

Office: 978-461-4601 Cell: 617-513-1351

From: Greenberg.Marc@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Greenberg.Marc@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, March 02, 2011 3:36 PM

To: Marie BenKinney; Mark Johns; Laurie Benton; Linda Cook; John Brown; Paul Boehm

Cc: <u>r.atlas@louisville.edu</u>; <u>Kenneth.J.Boda@uscg.mil</u>; Goodfellow, Bill; Greg Schiefer; Bruce Vigon; Marc Greenberg **Subject:** SETAC Gulf Oil Spill Focused Topic Meeting: Request on Abstracts from Steering Committee-Exponent

Dear meeting participants,

Thank you for submitting abstracts for consideration by the SETAC Gulf Oil Spill Focused Topic Meeting Steering Committee for placement in the meeting program. We are pleased that we received a great number of relevant abstracts (nearly 100), including yours, and we are presently in the process of reviewing and placing accepted abstracts as platforms and posters. We have a few parties that have submitted numerous (6 or more) abstracts. Exponent falls into this category. We do not see it as a problem that a handful of groups have a lot of data and information to share; we are encouraged by this. However, because of the nature of this focused meeting, we don't have the luxury of space and time that an annual SETAC meeting offers--there are a limited number of 20-min platform slots available, and only enough space for about 20 posters per day. We want to make sure that all of your information can be included in the program. Therefore, we discussed with the SETAC Office the challenges here and agreed that we need to ask these parties, such as yourselves, to review their respective bodies of submitted abstracts to see where they could be combined to more integrative presentations (a way to reduce the number of presentations per institution without diminution of the science). We would like you and your co-authors to discuss this possibility and let us know your solutions. To assist you in this matter, we have listed the primary contacts, authors, and titles of the abstracts from your organization. We would be happy to provide the abstract texts to you as well, if this will be of further assistance. As you know, one of the founding principles of SETAC is to provide balance between industry, academia, and government perspectives, and with your help in addressing this request we can better meet this important objective at this meeting. Please contact Bill Goodfellow and me with any follow-up questions you have.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Marc Greenberg & Bill Goodfellow,

Meeting Steering Committee Co-chairs

Contact: Kenneth J. Boda; Kenneth.J.Boda@uscg.mil, 202-372-4608

Authors: A. C. Bejarano, Research Planning Inc. M. C. Boufadel, Temple University J. S. Brown, Exponent Inc. G. E.

Eckert, U.S. National Park Service M. K. Nannan, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and

Enforcement A. C. Nye, Center for Toxicology and Environmental Health G. Shigenaka, National Oceanic and

Atmospheric Administration W. M. Starkel, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service T. Walden, BP plc.

An interagency team evaluates the fate and effects of remnant oil in beach environments, focusing on risk to human health and environmental resources.

Contact: Marie BenKinney; benkinneym@exponent.com, 508-353-0670

Authors: M.T. BenKinney, Exponent, Maynard, MA W.L. Bryant, U.S. Geological Survey, Atlanta, GA J.S. Brown, Exponent, Maynard, MA J. Biedenbach, U.S. Geological Survey, Corpus Christi, TX M. Edwards, Exponent, Bellevue, WA

Evaluating the impact of dispersed oil from the MC252 Deepwater Horizon incident based on laboratory studies with field-collected water and sediment

Contact: Mark W. Johns; mjohns@exponent.com, 206-369-6526

Authors: Mark W. Johns, Ph.D., Exponent, Inc., Seattle Washington Ronald Atlas, Ph.D., University of Louisville,

Louisville, Kentucky

Weathering of MC252 Oil in the Water Column of the Gulf of Mexico from May through September 2010: Fluorometry, Dissolved Oxygen, and Quantitative Chemistry Evaluation

Contact: Laurie Benton; lbenton@exponent.com, 425-519-8754; Linda Cook; lcook@exponent.com, 781-640-8396

Authors: L. Benton, Exponent; LL, Cook, Exponent; JS, Brown, Exponent; SM, Mudge, Exponent

Tracking oil sampled for chemical fingerprinting offshore and along the Louisiana and Texas shorelines

Contact: John Brown, <u>isbrown@exponent.com</u>, 978-461-4602; Paul Boehm, <u>pboehm@exponent.com</u>, 978-461-4601 Paul D. Boehm Ph.D. Exponent, Inc. John S. Brown*, Exponent, Inc. (* presenting author)

Protocol for Petroleum and PAH Source Determination in Sediments: MC 252 Source Chemical Fingerprinting

Contact: John S. Brown, jsbrown@exponent.com, 508-878-2259

Authors: John Brown, Exponent, Maynard, MA Rebecca Green, BOEMRE, New Orleans, LA Lyle Bruce, BP Naperville, IL Paul Boehm, Exponent, Maynard, MA Linda Cook, Exponent, Maynard, MA

Deep-water sediments collected after the MC252 oil spill reveal a small footprint of Macondo oil associated with drilling mud near the well-head.

Contact: Paul D. Boehm, pboehm@exponent.com, 978-461-4601 or 617-513-1351

P. D. Boehm, Ph.D., Exponent, Inc. L. L. Cook, Exponent, Inc. A. M. Morrison, Ph.D., Exponent, Inc. K. J. Murray, Ph.D. Exponent, Inc.

Preliminary 4D Water Column PAH Exposure Assessment of the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill

Contact: Ronald Atlas, r.atlas@louisville.edu, 502-609-0922

Authors: Ronald Atlas, Life Sciences, University of Louisville Paul Boehm, Exponent, Inc.

Weathering of MC252 Oil in the Water Column of the Gulf of Mexico from May through September 2010: Evidence for Rapid Biodegradation

...

Marc S. Greenberg, Ph.D.
Environmental Toxicologist
U.S. EPA - Environmental Response Team
2890 Woodbridge Ave., Bldg. 18
Edison, NJ 08837
+ 732 452 6413 (T)
+ 732 321 6724 (F)
greenberg.marc@epa.gov