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Air Resources Board

FROM: Gerald W. Bowes, Ph.D.
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DATE: April 14, 2009

SUBJECT: PEER REVIEW OF PROPOSED LOW CARBON FUEL STANDARD

This letter responds to your October 21, 2008 request letter to me (attached) to initiate
the process to identify external peer reviewers for the subject noted above, and later to
manage the review. Subsequently, I contacted the University of California, through an
Interagency Agreement with Cal/EPA, to recommend candidates it considered qualified
to perform this assignment. Each recommended candidate was required to complete
and sign a Conflict of Interest Disclosure form.

After my review of the disclosure forms, I contacted the candidates by e-mail to provide
clarification where necessary and to confirm they could perform an objective and
independent review free of conflict of interest and bias. No reviewer was aware of the
identity of the others.

In a subsequent transmittal approving each as reviewer, I provided my January 7, 2009
supplement to the Cal/EPA peer review guidelines (attached). This relates in part to
ensuring confidentiality through the external review process.

The approved reviewers are identified below:

1. Linsey C. Marr, Ph.D.
   Associate Professor
   Civil and Environmental Engineering
   Virginia Tech
   411 Durham Hall (0246)
   Blacksburg, VA 24061
2. Denise L. Mauzerall, Ph.D.
   Associate Professor
   Science, Technology and Environmental Policy Program
   Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs
   Princeton University
   406 Robertson Hall
   Princeton, NJ 08544

3. John M. Reilly, Ph.D.
   Associate Director for Research
   MIT Joint Program in the Science and Policy of Global Change
   Senior Lecturer
   Sloan School of Management, E19-4296
   MIT, Cambridge, MA 02142

4. Valerie Thomas, Ph.D.
   Anderson Interface Associate Professor
   School of Industrial and Systems Engineering
   School of Public Policy (Joint Appointment)
   School of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences (Adjunct Appointment)
   Groseclose, Room 415
   Georgia Institute of Technology
   Atlanta, Georgia 30332

Biographical information for each is attached.
On March 5, 2009 each reviewer was sent by overnight delivery the material to be reviewed; and by e-mail, background information and focus for the assignment. The background consisted of your October 21, 2008 letter of request to me and its three attachments. The focus: "In particular, I also ask that you address all topics in Attachment 2 during your review, in the order listed."

Thirty days were provided for the review. The four reviews are attached.

If you have questions, or require clarification from the reviewers please contact me directly.

Attachments

cc: Sheila Vassey, Office of Chief Counsel
    Floyd Vergara, Air Resources Board