

April 5, 2019

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The Honorable Julie E. Adams Secretary of the Senate Room S-312 U.S. Capitol Washington, D.C. 20510-7116

The Honorable Cheryl L. Johnson Clerk of the U.S. House of Representatives Room H154 U.S. Capitol Washington, D.C. 20510-6601

Honorable Jessie K. Liu U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia 555 4th Street, NW Washington, DC 20530

Re: <u>Lobbying Disclosure Act Violations</u>

Dear Secretary Adams, Clerk Johnson, and Ms. Liu:

Campaign for Accountability ("CfA") respectfully requests that you open an investigation regarding possible violations of the Lobbying Disclosure Act ("LDA" or "the Act") by the lobbying firm of Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP and one of its lobbyists, David Bernhardt, in connection with their representation of Westlands Water District ("Westlands"), an agricultural conglomerate in California. Additionally, given Mr. Bernhardt's failure to disclose his apparent lobbying activity while he was being nominated to become the deputy secretary of the Department of the Interior, CfA respectfully requests that you investigate whether the firm, and Mr. Bernhardt, knowingly and willfully filed inaccurate disclosures in violation of the False Statements Act, 18 U.S.C. § 1001(c)(1).

Background

On July 20, 2017, CfA asked the U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia to open an investigation into Mr. Bernhardt's representation of Westlands. Between March 30, 2011, and

¹ Letter from Daniel Stevens, Executive Director of Campaign for Accountability, to Channing D. Phillips, U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia, July 20, 2017, *available at* https://campaignforaccountability.org/work/letter-requesting-doj-investigation-of-interior-department-nominee-david-bernhardt-for-lobbying-disclosure-violations/.

November 18, 2016, Mr. Bernhardt worked as a registered lobbyist for Westlands as an employee of the lobbying firm Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP.² After deregistering as a lobbyist, Mr. Bernhardt began leading the Trump administration's Interior Department transition team.³ He was formally nominated to be deputy secretary in April 2017 and confirmed on July 24, 2017.⁴ Then, on January 2, 2019, he assumed the role of Acting Secretary, and on February 4, 2019, President Trump announced Mr. Bernhardt's forthcoming nomination to be the permanent Secretary of the Interior. ⁵ On April 4, 2019, the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee voted to advance Mr. Bernhardt's nomination to the Senate for a full vote.⁶

Mr Bernhardt's Lobbying for Westlands

After the 2016 election, Mr. Bernhardt continued to lobby for Westlands despite delisting as a lobbyist and working for the Trump transition team. On January 23, 2017, Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck filed a lobbying report with the Clerk of the House and Secretary of the Senate stating that Mr. Bernhardt had terminated his lobbying for Westlands on November 18, 2016.

² Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP, <u>2011 Lobbying Registration Report on behalf of Westlands Water District</u>, Secretary of the Senate, Office of Public Records, *available at* https://soprweb.senate.gov/index.cfm?event=getFilingDetails&filingID=4846434C-D50A-4113-8F9D-A842930ABD13&filingTypeID=1; Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP, <u>Fourth Quarter 2016 Lobbying Disclosure Report</u>, <u>Amendment</u>, on behalf of Westlands Water District, Secretary of the Senate, Office of Public Records, <u>available at https://soprweb.senate.gov/index.cfm?event=getFilingDetails&filingID=74C70A3E-8A1A-4CFF-B90C-89DF3C2F66FE&filingTypeID=82">https://soprweb.senate.gov/index.cfm?event=getFilingDetails&filingID=74C70A3E-8A1A-4CFF-B90C-89DF3C2F66FE&filingTypeID=82.</u>

³ Michael Doyle, <u>Election Over, California Water District May Get Win With Controversial Drainage Plan,</u> *McClatchy*, November 15, 2016, *available at* http://www.mcclatchydc.com/news/politics-government/congress/article115010283.html.

⁴ Michael Doyle, <u>Deputy Nominee Still Advising California Water District</u>, *E & E News*, July 18, 2017, *available at* https://www.eenews.net/greenwire/2017/07/18/stories/1060057527+&cd=1&hl=en&ct=clnk&gl=us;; Darryl Fears, <u>Senate Confirms David Bernhardt as Interior Deputy</u>, *Washington Post*, July 24, 2017, *available at* https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/energy-environment/wp/2017/07/24/senate-confirms-interior-deputy-despite-conflict-of-interest-claims/.

⁵ Ellen Knickmeyer, Matthew Brown, and Jonathan Lemire, <u>Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke Resigning, Cites "Vicious" Attacks</u>, *Associated Press*, December 15, 2018, *available at* https://www.denverpost.com/2018/12/15/interior-secretary-ryan-zinke-resigning/; Ben Lefebvre, <u>Trump to Nominate Bernhardt as Interior Secretary</u>, *Politico*, February 4, 2019, *available at* https://www.politico.com/story/2019/02/04/david-bernhardt-interior-secretary-1145523.

⁶ Ellen Knickmeyer, <u>Senate Panel Backs Interior Pick Despite Conflict Allegation</u>, *Associated Press*, April 4, 2019, *available at* https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/congress/senate-panel-backs-interior-pick-despite-conflict-allegation/2019/04/04/86ef35fa-56ea-11e9-aa83-504f086bf5d6 story.html?utm term=.32a14032079a

⁷ Letter from Daniel Stevens, Executive Director of Campaign for Accountability, to Channing D. Phillips, U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia, July 20, 2017, *available at* https://campaignforaccountability.org/work/letter-requesting-doj-investigation-of-interior-department-nominee-david-bernhardt-for-lobbying-disclosure-violations/.

⁸ "Lobbying termination effective as of filing on 11-18-16". *See* Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP, Fourth

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Despite this deregistration, emails obtained by California environmental activists indicate Mr. Bernhardt continued to engage in the same type of activities for Westlands. On December 9, 2016, Matt Kellogg, Senior Policy Advisor and Counsel to House Majority Leader Kevin McCarthy, sent an email to Mr. Bernhardt thanking him for his help on a bill stating, "we will see what happens in the Senate." Mr. Bernhardt then forwarded that email to Johnny Amaral, the Deputy General Manager for External Affairs at Westlands. ¹⁰ The next day, the Senate passed a substantial water bill, which *McClatchy* described as a major victory for Westland. ¹¹

Mr. Bernhardt's illicit work for Westlands continued into the next year. For instance, on January 2, 2017, Mr. Bernhardt drafted a letter to Rep. David Valadao (R-CA) for and on behalf of Westlands regarding HR 23.¹² Mr. Bernhardt said in an email that he was sending "a short draft letter that is intended to be consistent with the discussion we had on the phone this afternoon." Westlands General Manager Tom Birmingham responded to the email about three hours later thanking Mr. Bernhardt for "taking the lead" on the letter. The final version of Westlands' letter to Rep. Valadao contained several passages identical to those in Mr. Bernhardt's draft. Eventhardt's draft.

Beyond the letter, Mr. Bernhardt also appears to have had direct lobbying contacts with congressional officials that same day. Rep. David Valadao's Legislative Director, Kristina Dunklin, sent Mr. Bernhardt and Westlands Water District's General Manager Birmingham an email requesting their "take on the San Joaquin River Settlement language in H.R. 2898 (sec. 313) as replacement for the language in the draft bill sent in early December." ¹⁶ Mr. Bernhardt then forwarded the email to Johnny Amaral, the Deputy General Manager for External Affairs at Westlands Water District. ¹⁷ Subsequently, in March 2017, Brownstein, Hyatt, Farber, Schreck sent Westlands an invoice for "Federal Lobbying" that included \$25,000 for "Professional Services Rendered February 2017." ¹⁸

¹⁰ *Id*.

⁹ See Letter from Daniel Stevens, Executive Director of Campaign for Accountability, to Channing D. Phillips, U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia, July 20, 2017, Exhibit B, available at https://campaignforaccountability.org/work/letter-requesting-doj-investigation-of-interior-department-nominee-david-bernhardt-for-lobbying-disclosure-violations/.

¹¹ Michael Doyle, <u>After years of drama, farmers score a big win in California water battle</u>, *McClatchy*, December 10, 2016, *available at* http://www.mcclatchydc.com/news/politics-government/congress/article120131428.html.

¹² See Letter from Daniel Stevens to Channing D. Phillips, July 20, 2017, Exhibit E.

¹³ *Id*.

¹⁴ *Id*.

¹⁵ Letter from Thomas Birmingham, General Manager of Westlands Water District, to Rep. David Valadao, January 3, 2017, available at https://naturalresources.house.gov/uploadedfiles/hr 23 support letter - westlands water district 01.03.17.pdf.

¹⁶ See Letter from Daniel Stevens, Executive Director of Campaign for Accountability, to Channing D. Phillips, U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia, July 20, 2017, Exhibit C, available at https://campaignforaccountability.org/work/letter-requesting-doj-investigation-of-interior-department-nominee-david-bernhardt-for-lobbying-disclosure-violations/.

¹⁸ See Letter from Daniel Stevens to Channing D. Phillips, July 20, 2017, Exhibit G.

New Information

On April 4, 2019, *The New York Times* reported that Mr. Bernhardt continued to work for Westlands until April 2017, more than three months later than previously known. According to the *Times*:

The bill for Mr. Bernhardt's services, dated March 2017 and labeled "Federal Lobbying," shows, along with other documents, Mr. Bernhardt working closely with the Westlands Water District as late as April 2017, the month Mr. Trump nominated him to his current job, deputy interior secretary. In November 2016, Mr. Bernhardt had filed legal notice with the federal government formally ending his status as lobbyist.¹⁹

As CfA noted previously in the July 20, 2017 letter to Mr. Phillips, Mr. Bernhardt's lobbying disclosure reports indicate he ceased lobbying on behalf of Westlands on November 18, 2016, nearly five months before he apparently terminated his actual lobbying activity. Mr. Bernhardt's old firm, Brownstein Hyatt Farer Schreck, has continued to lobby on behalf of Westlands, and the firm filed quarterly Lobbying Disclosure Reports regarding its work for Westlands through the end of 2018. However, Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck's First Quarter 2017 Lobbying Disclosure Report on behalf of Westlands, in addition to the inaccurate Fourth Quarter 2016 report on behalf of Westlands, does not disclose any work by Mr. Bernhardt. Bernhardt.

Additionally, according to documents obtained by California environmental activists and described in *The New York Times*, Mr. Bernhardt worked with Westlands officials to plan their April 2017 meetings in Washington with congressional officials and executive agencies.²³ The

https://www.nytimes.com/2019/04/04/climate/david-bernhardt-interior-lobbying.html.

¹⁹ Coral Davenport, <u>Trump's Pick for Interior Dept. Continued Lobbying After Officially Vowing to Stop, New Files Indicate</u>, *The New York Times*, April 4, 2019, *available at*

Juliet Eilperin, <u>Uranium Rirm Urged Trump Officials to Shrink Bears Ears National Monument</u>, <u>Washington Post</u>, December 8, 2017, <u>available at https://www.washingtonpost.com/national/health-science/uranium-firm-urged-trump-officials-to-shrink-bears-ears-national-monument/2017/12/08/2eea39b6-dc31-11e7-b1a8-62589434a581 story.html.</u>

²⁰ See Letter from Daniel Stevens, Executive Director of Campaign for Accountability, to Channing D. Phillips, U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia, July 20, 2017, Exhibit B, available at https://campaignforaccountability.org/work/letter-requesting-doj-investigation-of-interior-department-nominee-david-bernhardt-for-lobbying-disclosure-violations/.

²¹ Brownstein Hyatt Farer Schreck, <u>2017-2018 Lobbying Disclosure Reports on behalf of Westlands Water District</u>, Secretary of the Senate, Office of Public Records.

²² Brownstein Hyatt Farer Schreck, <u>First Quarter 2017 Lobbying Disclosure Report on behalf of Westlands Water District</u>, Secretary of the Senate, Office of Public Records, *available at* https://soprweb.senate.gov/index.cfm?event=getFilingDetails&filingID=60BA24CD-DE96-48C9-BA98-BA98957A1B82&filingTypeID=51.

²³ Coral Davenport, <u>Trump's Pick for Interior Dept. Continued Lobbying After Officially Vowing to Stop, New Files Indicate</u>, *The New York Times*, April 4, 2019, *available at* https://www.nytimes.com/2019/04/04/climate/david-bernhardt-interior-lobbying.html.

documents include an itinerary for Westlands' government meetings between April 24, 2017, and April 27, 2017.²⁴

Ahead of the meetings, on Friday April 21, 2017, Westlands' former deputy general manager, Johnny Amaral, sent an email indicating that another Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck lobbyist, Ryan Smith, planned to attend Westlands' meetings with Rep. Valadao and Sen. Dianne Feinstein.²⁵ The email also indicated that former Rep. Denny Rehberg, a registered lobbyist, planned to attend a meeting with the Secretary of the Interior, Ryan Zinke, who would soon be Mr. Bernhardt's boss.²⁶ At the end of the email, Mr. Amaral said to Mr. Bernhardt, "David, I will call you later to discuss next week."²⁷

Two days earlier, Mr. Amaral had emailed Mr. Bernhardt to ask if he would be able to attend a "team breakfast" on April 25, 2017.²⁸ Mr. Bernhardt responded in the affirmative. Notably, the itinerary included several meetings with congressional officials on the same day as the team breakfast. It is unclear if Mr. Bernhardt attended those meetings. Three days later, on April 28, 2017, President Trump formally nominated Mr. Bernhardt to be the deputy secretary of the Department of the Interior.²⁹

In responding to *The New York Times* article regarding Mr. Bernhardt's lobbying activity, Faith Vander Voort, an Interior Department spokesperson, said:

David Bernhardt did not engage in regulated lobbying activities for Westlands Water District from the date he de-registered forward. Mr. Bernhardt engaged in various legal services that supported the senior employees and Directors of the Board of Westlands Water District, who are public officials, operating in their official capacity. These efforts do not constitute regulated lobbying activity.³⁰

Ms. Vander Voort's statement appears to be aimed at trying to dismiss the March invoice and April meetings, but her comments are obviously inaccurate. As the emails reveal, Mr.

²⁸ Email from David Bernhardt to Johnny Amaral, April 19, 2017, attached as Exhibit C.

Juliet Eilperin, <u>Uranium Rirm Urged Trump Officials to Shrink Bears Ears National Monument</u>, *Washington Post*, December 8, 2017, *available at* https://www.washingtonpost.com/national/health-science/uranium-firm-urged-trump-officials-to-shrink-bears-ears-national-monument/2017/12/08/2eea39b6-dc31-11e7-b1a8-62589434a581 story.html.

Juliet Eilperin, <u>Uranium Rirm Urged Trump Officials to Shrink Bears Ears National Monument</u>, <u>Washington Post</u>, December 8, 2017, <u>available at https://www.washingtonpost.com/national/health-science/uranium-firm-urged-trump-officials-to-shrink-bears-ears-national-monument/2017/12/08/2eea39b6-dc31-11e7-b1a8-62589434a581 story.html.</u>

²⁴ Westlands Water District DC Itinerary, April 24-April 27, attached as Exhibit A.

²⁵ Email from Johnny Amaral to Tom Birmingham, Philip Williams, et. al., April 21, 2017, attached as Exhibit B. ²⁶ *Id.*

²⁷ *Id*.

²⁹ Corbin Hiar, <u>Trump picks former lobbyist for No. 2 slot</u>, *E&E News*, April 28, 2017, *available at* https://www.eenews.net/stories/1060053775.

³⁰ Coral Davenport, <u>Trump's Pick for Interior Dept. Continued Lobbying After Officially Vowing to Stop, New Files Indicate</u>, *The New York Times*, April 4, 2019, *available at* https://www.nytimes.com/2019/04/04/climate/david-bernhardt-interior-lobbying.html.

Bernhardt did not just give legal advice but communicated directly with government officials on behalf of Westlands in December 2016 and January 2017 after he deregistered as a lobbyist. Since her statement regarding Mr. Bernhardt's lobbying contacts is inaccurate, it is hard to believe her description of the "federal lobbying" invoice as "inappropriately labeled." Notably, the lobbying firm that prepared the invoice itself did not respond to *The New York Times* story, so it is unclear if the firm believes the invoice is inaccurate.³¹

Violations of the Lobbying Disclosure Act

Mr. Bernhardt and Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck appear to be in violation of the Lobbying Disclosure Act. The firm appears to have filed inaccurate Lobbying Disclosure Reports for the fourth quarter of 2016 and the first quarter of 2017. Moreover, the fact that the press has drawn considerable attention to Mr. Bernhardt's lobbying activity during the first quarter of 2017, yet he and the firm have not filed an amended form, indicates they may have intentionally filed inaccurate forms.

Mr. Bernhardt's Lobbying Contacts

As you know, the Lobbying Disclosure Act defines the term "lobbying contact" broadly to include "any oral or written communication . . . to a covered legislative branch official . . . that is made on behalf of a client with regard to . . . the formulation, modification, or adoption of Federal legislation (including legislative proposals); the formulation, modification, or adoption of a Federal rule, regulation, Executive order, or any other program, policy, or position of the United States Government." Similarly, the definition of "covered legislative branch official" is broadly defined to include members of Congress, their staffs, and employees of congressional committees. 33

Mr. Bernhardt's December 2016 and January 2017 lobbying contacts with employees of Members of Congress clearly constituted a reportable lobbying contact under the Lobbying Disclosure Act. The emails in question discuss specific legislative proposals that were under consideration by Congress, and Mr. Bernhardt worked, on behalf of Westlands, to influence the contents and outcome of those proposals.

As you know, a lobbying firm registered with the Senate and the House of Representatives under the Lobbying Disclosure Act is required to file quarterly activity reports each of which must include "a list of the employees of the registrant who acted as lobbyists on behalf of the client."³⁴ In this case, it appears Mr. Bernhardt acted as a lobbyist on behalf of Westlands in December 2016, yet Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck filed an inaccurate Fourth Quarter 2016 Lobbying Disclosure Report on behalf of Westlands indicating he had terminated

³¹ *Id*.

³² 2 U.S.C. §§ 1602(8)(A)(i)-(ii).

³³ 2 U.S.C. § 1602(4).

³⁴ 2 U.S.C. § 1604(b)(2)(C).

his lobbying contacts on November 18, 2016.³⁵ Additionally, Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck failed to include Mr. Bernhardt on its First Quarter 2017 Lobbying Disclosure Report on behalf of Westlands despite his lobbying contacts in apparent violation of 2 U.S.C. § 1604(b)(2)(C).

Mr. Bernhardt's Lobbying Activities

In addition to Mr. Bernhardt's lobbying contacts, Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck's failure to disclose his lobbying activities also appears to be a violation of the LDA. The newly released emails show that Mr. Bernhardt apparently continued to conduct lobbying activities for Westlands in April 2017 and may have engaged in activity that is subject to disclosure by the Lobbying Disclosure Act. As you know, the LDA defines Lobbying activities as:

lobbying contacts and efforts in support of such contacts, including preparation and planning activities, research and other background work that is intended, at the time it is performed, for use in contacts, and coordination with the lobbying activities of others.³⁶

While the LDA exempts communications by a "public official acting in the public official's official capacity," 37 it does not exempt registered lobbyists who work on behalf of a public official or public entity. In this case, Mr. Bernhardt appears to have worked with Westlands, a public entity, to plan and prepare for its meetings with congressional officials. Crucially, Mr. Bernhardt appears to have worked with and on behalf of Westlands to prepare and plan with its other outside lobbyists, who are not exempt from the LDA's disclosure requirements.

Since Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck filed a First Quarter 2017 Lobbying Disclosure Report on behalf of Westlands, the firm acknowledged its lobbyists had made lobbying contacts with covered government officials.³⁸ Given this disclosure, the firm was also obligated to disclose Mr. Bernhardt's lobbying activities in coordination with the firm's other lobbyists on behalf of Westlands. The newly released documents indicate Mr. Bernhardt met with Westlands and Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck's other lobbyists to plan for meetings with congressional officials.³⁹ This activity appears to meet the definition "lobbying activities" and is therefore subject to disclosure. Accordingly, by failing to include Mr. Bernhardt on its First Quarter 2017 Lobbying Disclosure Report filed on behalf of Westlands, Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck appears to be in violation of the LDA.

³⁵ Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP, <u>Fourth Quarter 2016 Lobbying Disclosure Report, Amendment, on behalf of Westlands Water District</u>, Secretary of the Senate, Office of Public Records, *available at* https://soprweb.senate.gov/index.cfm?event=getFilingDetails&filingID=74C70A3E-8A1A-4CFF-B90C-89DF3C2F66FE&filingTypeID=82.

³⁶ 2 U.S.C. § 1602(7).

³⁷ 2 U.S.C. § 1602(8)(B)(i).

³⁸ Brownstein Hyatt Farer Schreck, <u>First Quarter 2017 Lobbying Disclosure Report on behalf of Westlands Water District</u>, Secretary of the Senate, Office of Public Records, <u>available at https://soprweb.senate.gov/index.cfm?event=getFilingDetails&filingID=60BA24CD-DE96-48C9-BA98-BA98957A1B82&filingTypeID=51</u>.

³⁹ See Exhibit A.

Finally, Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck's continued intransigence on this issue despite extended media scrutiny raises questions about whether the firm intentionally filed inaccurate reports with the House of Representatives and the Senate. Mr. Bernhardt has been relentlessly criticized for his previous career as a lobbyist. The new documents reveal that Mr. Bernhardt apparently continued to work as a lobbyist during the very same week President Trump announced his nomination to be deputy secretary of the Department of the Interior. Given that Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck has failed to disclose Mr. Bernhardt' continued lobbying activity, CfA respectfully requests an investigation into whether Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck knowingly and willfully filed inaccurate Lobbying Disclosure Reports in violation of the False Statements Act, 18 U.S.C. § 1001(c)(1).

Conclusion

Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck and David Bernhardt appear to have committed serious violations of the Lobbying Disclosure Act by failing to disclose Mr. Bernhardt's lobbying contacts with congressional officials and Mr. Bernhardt's lobbying activity on behalf of Westlands. Therefore, CfA respectfully requests that you initiate an investigation and take all appropriate action to ensure compliance with the Act as required by 2 U.S.C. § 1605(a)(7)&(8), and determine whether Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck and Mr. Bernhardt intentionally submitted inaccurate reports in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1001(c)(1).

Sincerely,

Daniel Stevens
Executive Director

EXHIBIT A

WESTLANDS WATER DISTRICT DC ITINERARY

Monday, April 24 – Thursday, April 27

MONDAY

6:30 PM Dinner with Kiel Weaver, Riely Weaver, and Bryson Wong

Capitol Grille 601 Pennsylvania Ave., NW 202-737-6200

TUESDAY

12:30 PM Meeting with Secretary Zinke

Department of the Interior 1849 C St., NW 202-208-3100

Contact – Caroline Boulton <u>caroline_boulton@ios.doi.gov</u>

2:30 PM Meeting with Rep. Valadao (Cole Rojewski and Kristina Dunklin)

1728 Longworth HOB 202-225-4695

WEDNESDAY

10:00 AM Meeting with Rep. Devin Nunes (Jilian Plank)

1017 Longworth HOB 202-225-2523

10:45 AM Meeting with Rep. Tom McClintock (Chris Tudor)

2312 Rayburn HOB 202-225-2511

12:00 PM Lunch with Westlands Team

Capitol Hill Club

3:00 PM Meeting with Nathan Barankin (Chief of Staff) and Kevin Chang (Legislative staff)

Office of Sen. Kamala Harris

112 Hart Office Building 202-224-3553

4:00 PM Meeting with Rep. Calvert (Ian Foley)

2205 Rayburn HOB 202-225-1986

8:00 PM Dinner with Rep. Costa (Scott Peterson)

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THURSDAY

10:00 AM House Committee on Natural Resources markup

1324 Longworth HOB

Pending meetings:

Sen. Dianne Feinstein

Rep. Kevin McCarthy

Rep. Jeff Denham

Rep. Doug Lamalfa

EXHIBIT B

From: <u>Johnny Amaral</u>

To: <u>Tom Birmingham; "Philip Williams"; "Shelley Ostrowski"</u>

Cc: David Bernhardt; "Smith, Ryan A."; Dennis Cardoza; Denny Rehberg; Idjohnson@bhfs.com

Subject: DC Itinerary April 24-27

Date: Friday, April 21, 2017 1:59:07 PM
Attachments: DC Itinerary April 24-27.docx

Team,

Attached is what has been confirmed so far. As you will see at the bottom of the document, there are several that are pending and Luke is working to confirm the meeting with Dan Jorjani.

Ryan, please be available for the dinner Monday night, the meeting with Valadao, and the meeting with Feinstein (when it gets confirmed)

Denny, along with attending the meeting with Secretary Zinke, please make a reservation in the dining room at the CHC on Wednesday for the team lunch.

Dennis, I know you're in CA next week. No worries.

David, I will call you later to discuss next week.

See you all very soon.

Johnny

EXHIBIT C

From: Bernhardt, David L.

To: Johnny Amaral

Subject: Re: Team breakfast next week on Wednesday morning.

Date: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 3:46:48 PM

Yes

David Bernhardt

On Apr 19, 2017, at 6:17 PM, Johnny Amaral < <u>jamaral@westlandswater.org</u>> wrote:

Can you make it?

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