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Via Email

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Re: Production of Records, EPA-HQ-2019-005176, *Sierra Club v. EPA*, C.A. No. 1:19-cv-3018-APM (D.D.C)

Dear Mr. Miller,

This letter concerns EPA's response to the above-referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request which sought records related to statements made by the EPA Administrator during a March 20, 2019 interview on CBS News. Specifically, the request sought:

- (1) All records that Administrator Wheeler relied on in asserting that "most of the threats from climate change are 50 to 75 years out"; and
- (2) All records produced, commissioned, or otherwise obtained by EPA that support the conclusion that "most of the threats from climate change are 50 to 75 years out," other than any encompassed by (1).

The Agency conducted a search for briefing materials prepared by or for the Administrator, or members of his staff, in the days leading up to his March 20, 2019 interview. EPA located the attached five pages of responsive records. The records consist of the briefing paper that the Administrator reviewed in advance of the CBS News interview and an email exchange concerning the interview that took place on the same day.

The released records will be publicly available on FOIAonline at <https://foiaonline.gov/foiaonline/action/public/home> by searching the FOIA request number, EPA-HQ-2019-005176.

If you have any further questions regarding this production, please contact Assistant U.S. Attorney John Truong at Truong.John@usdoj.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/ Peter Bermes

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