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From: Mark Hite

Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2012 9:23:00 AM

To: Black, Cheryl - RD, Washington, DC **Cc:** Vu, Victor - RD, Washington, DC

Subject: RE: Big Rivers **Importance:** Normal

Thank you very much. We look forward to meeting with you Tuesday 3/20 @ 10am EST, and will plan to discuss the items noted below, including the two letters that we're now drafting (RUS Series A Note refinancing and environmental compliance plan for CSAPR and MATS (ECP)), and the potential for obtaining RUS financing of Big Rivers' ECP capital expenditures for CSAPR and MATS (estimated to be \$283.5 million over the 2013-2015 timeframe).

Cheryl, would you please email me the RUS contact person upon our arrival and the meeting room location at your earliest convenience. Please plan on five attendees from Big Rivers.

Thanks again,

Mark

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From: Black, Cheryl - RD, Washington, DC [mailto:Cheryl.Black@wdc.usda.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2012 8:35 AM

To: Mark Hite

Cc: Vu, Victor - RD, Washington, DC

Subject: FW: Big Rivers

Mark,

The meeting with RUS has been schedule for March 20 at 10:00. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks

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From: Vu, Victor - RD, Washington, DC **Sent:** Friday, February 10, 2012 8:21 AM **To:** Black, Cheryl - RD, Washington, DC

Subject: FW: Big Rivers

Cheryl,

Please arrange a meeting with Big Rivers for morning of either 3/20 or 3/19. I am not available 3/13. RUS attendees should be Nivin, Elliott, OGC, and our three branches. Thanks.

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From: Mark Hite [mailto:Mark.Hite@bigrivers.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 09, 2012 5:48 PM

To: Vu, Victor - RD, Washington, DC **Cc:** Elliott, Jim - RD, Washington, DC

Subject: FW: Big Rivers

Victor, it was good to speak with you and the other RUS staffers this afternoon. Thank you for allowing time for Big Rivers in your busy day. As we discussed, Big Rivers will prepare and send two letters to the RUS, to your attention, the first regarding our plan to refinance a portion or all of the 5.75% RUS Series A Note and the second regarding our environmental compliance plan for CSAPR and MATS.

Also as we discussed, Big Rivers looks forward to soon meeting and visiting with you and the appropriate RUS folks in Washington. Below I propose three dates, in order of preference, for a morning meeting:

Tuesday 3/20/12, Monday 3/19/12, Tuesday 3/13/12

Once you corral your troops, please let me know so we can lock it in and the Big Rivers' folks may make travel arrangements. Attending on behalf of Big Rivers will likely be Mark Bailey, President and CEO, Bob Berry, VP Production, Jim Miller, General Counsel of Sullivan Mountjoy Stainback Miller, and myself. Once you and I lock in the meeting date and time, we'll prepare a more detailed agenda than was discussed on today's call, including us updating you on the recent past (post-Unwind closing, 7/16/09) and planned significant activities at Big Rivers.

Thanks again,

Mark

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From: Elliott, Jim - RD, Washington, DC [mailto:Jim.Elliott@wdc.usda.gov]

Sent: Thursday, February 09, 2012 2:12 PM

To: Mark Hite

Subject: RE: Big Rivers

Mark,

When you call in, you can use my direct line – 202-720-9546

Jim

From: Mark Hite [mailto:Mark.Hite@bigrivers.com]

Sent: Thursday, February 09, 2012 8:50 AM

To: Elliott, Jim - RD, Washington, DC

Subject: Big Rivers

Good morning. Sorry that we missed one another's phone calls.

Wish to discuss three items with you... 1) Bill Blackburn's retirement, 2) planned refinancing of the Series A Note, and 3) environmental compliance plan for CSAPR and MATS (including the planned Kentucky Public Service Commission (KPSC) filing, and the need to finance the associated capital expenditures).

Will you be available for me to phone you at 202-720-9545 for a 2:30pm central (3:30pm EST) call today? If not, please suggest an alternative time.

Thanks,

Mark

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