

Avaltroni, Robert

From: Gilsenan, Michael
Sent: Friday, January 03, 2003 8:48 AM
To: Avaltroni, Robert
Subject: FW: 130 Liberty Street - Manhattan

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From: Radhakrishnan, Krish
Sent: Thursday, December 26, 2002 10:48 AM
To: Gilsenan, Michael; Avaltroni, Robert
Subject: FW: 130 Liberty Street - Manhattan

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From: Lutchmedial, Carlstien
Sent: Thursday, December 26, 2002 10:20 AM
To: Radhakrishnan, Krish
Cc: Theodorellys, Penny
Subject: 130 Liberty Street - Manhattan

On Tuesday 24th December, 2002 I conducted an inspection along with Supervisor Rasti of PAL (Asbestos Contractor) of 130 Liberty St. At this time WTC debris was still being cleaned up on various floors of the north half of the building. The 26, 24, 25, 23, 22, 21, 20 floors have been finished. Workers were about finished for the day as no work was scheduled for the Christmas Holiday.

In reference to the Mold problem at the building, Rasti informed me that another crew from PAL had completely removed all the mold from the entire building. He was not sure of what method was used. However, he said he was sure that all mold from the basement to the top floor was gone.

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From: Hoffer, Mark
Sent: Tuesday, January 07, 2003 3:26 PM
To: Sturcken, Charles
Cc: Ward, Chris; Avaltroni, Robert; Pecunies, Russ; Levine, Robin
Subject: FOIL Request for WTC-related Data from NY Environmental & Justice Project

This is a heads-up on a WTC-related issue:

We received a FOIL request in September 2002 from the NY Environmental Law & Justice Project (a Mr. Joel Kupferman), requesting copies of all environmental assessments, bulk sample results, air monitoring results and clean-up summaries submitted to us by private building owners downtown who had undertaken clean-up on their own, in response to letters we sent to owners requesting such data.

Because the Law Department is coordinating the responses to all WTC-related FOILs, we reviewed the request with Law, and staff from Law reviewed the types of responses we received back from owners. Their conclusion was that, except for 3 property owners who requested that their data be kept confidential under the FOIL exemption for trade secret/competitive information, they had no objection to making the balance available under FOIL.

Because this particular requester is impatient, he has now filed an appeal with our FOIL Appeals Officer (Robin) essentially claiming constructive denial of his request (which is not true; it took some time to confer with Law and review the material). We will be moving ahead to make the data available, except for the data from the 3 owners who invoked the exemption, and we will be making arrangements with Mr. Kupferman for him to inspect the material at our offices (the typical way we handle large amounts of material).

Please note that in the same FOIL request, Mr. Kupferman also asked for a list of owners who received our letters requesting this data (we can easily handle this by providing him with copies of all the letters we sent out), a list of those owners who answered (he can generate this himself by looking at the responses received), and a list of "ensuing inspections and enforcement actions."

This last item should be noted. Given the FOIL request, it is likely that follow-up inquiries will be received from the press/elected officials/members of the public concerning the nature/level of DEP inspections and enforcement activity vis a vis owners who performed their own clean-up. I suggest that Bob and his staff prepare some materials explaining what we did, how we did it, and why we believe it was the sensible approach to this aspect of the downtown clean-up effort. This would be helpful in responding to inquiries.

Please let me know if there is anything you would like to discuss.

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From: Gair, Brad [Brad.Gair@fema.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 10, 2003 3:59 PM
To: Avaltroni, Robert
Cc: Ward, Chris
Subject: RE: FEMA/EPA/DEP Meeting

Bob,

Working it. I need to get Joe P.'s schedule locked in first.

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From: Avaltroni, Robert [mailto:ravaltroni@dep.nyc.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 10, 2003 4:09 PM
To: 'Brad.Gair@fema.gov'
Cc: Ward, Chris
Subject: FEMA/EPA/DEP Meeting

Brad

Have you had any success in setting up the meeting with EPA for later next week. Staff is working on getting an accurate estimate of costs related to the project for your discussion with D/M Doctoroff. We need another week to refine our numbers but feel confident our underrun should be to your liking. Please advise.

Regards,

Bob

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From: Laurie Tamis [ltamis@nycedc.com]
Sent: Monday, January 13, 2003 11:11 AM
To: avaltronir@dep.nyc.gov
Cc: Laurel Blatchford (E-mail)
Subject: air quality update

Just want to update you on the air quality project, in lieu of last week's meeting. Edelman has met with some EPA researchers and is continuing some web research, hoping to put a draft of something together in the next couple weeks. (They may be contacting you for additional information and suggestions.)

As their work progresses, we will meet again to review. Please let me know if you have any questions.

best,
 Laurie Tamis

Avaltroni, Robert

From: Gair, Brad [Brad.Gair@fema.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, January 15, 2003 6:46 PM
To: Avaltroni, Robert
Subject: RE: EPA MEETING

Bob,

Agreed. Next Thursday is the soonest that we can get everyone together. Let's spring on them at that time how much DEP and EPA should be prepared to "refund" to FEMA.

Ok? Glad to hear that all is well with your wife. That is the most important thing.

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From: Avaltroni, Robert [mailto:ravaltroni@dep.nyc.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, January 15, 2003 6:43 PM
To: 'brad.gair@Fema.gov'; Ward, Chris
Subject: EPA MEETING

Bob,
 I have been pre-occupied with my wife's surgery the past two days but have been kept abreast of activities and developments regarding EPA. It's imperative that we plug Joe in and meet with these folks now. We have given them a chance, it's now time to present political reality. I will not have them hold the City or you as Federal partners hostage to obvious incompetence. The game is over it's now time for them to go. As much as we have tried they can not close it out without creating more hardship.
 Regards, . Bob

 Sent from Bob's BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

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From: Laurie Tamis [ltamis@nycedc.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 15, 2003 6:20 PM
To: Avaltroni, Robert
Subject: Air quality outreach

Hello, hope you are doing well. Quick question - has DEP done any LM outreach through mail to residents? I'm trying to find a way to avoid using EPA's rental list strategy (too expensive). If you have any ideas, I'd love to hear them...thanks.

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From: Onek Matthew [MOnek@nycboe.net]
Sent: Tuesday, January 28, 2003 11:03 AM
To: Avaltroni, Robert
Subject: RE: FEMA Letter for carpet removal at Ground Zero schools

EPA has agreed to write a letter based on the DOH letter I sent you and their earlier letter which stated that they had consulted with us and supported carpet removal. I sent the DOH letter to EPA this morning and they should be drafting something today. So if you could begin drafting as well, we could be ready to send to FEMA in the next day or two.
 Thanks.

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From: Avaltroni, Robert [mailto:ravaltroni@dep.nyc.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, January 28, 2003 10:43 AM
To: Onek Matthew
Subject: Re: FEMA Letter for carpet removal at Ground Zero schools

Matt I am out of the office but have read your e-mail. As previously discussed, it is imperative that we have EPA's letter of support as we did the last time. It's essential for the Mayor to have complete support. Talk to you later.
 Bob

 Sent from Bob's BlackBerry Wireless Handheld