

From: [Calleson, Teresa](#)
To: [Vargas, Darcy](#)
Subject: RE: Miami Seaquarium ltr draft
Date: Wednesday, April 20, 2022 9:41:00 PM
Attachments: [2022-04-20_80924C_prop-sups-LTR_TC.docx](#)
[20211122_em_Lentz_MSQ_Calleson_USFWS_assistance_to_MRP.pdf](#)

Hi Darcy,

Thank you for sharing the letter! Appreciate seeing the format in advance and went ahead and reviewed the letter and content. In the event that the letter could be revised, I made some comments or suggested edits in Track Changes (attached), mostly to the history parts and a few of the details. I've also forwarded Miami's request to only be a holding facility while they worked through some issues (dated Nov 22, 2021 – and attached again here) as well as the email from DMA that reflects that DMA granted our partners an extension through April 30 due to the Atlantic Coast UME. I'm out the next couple of days but wanted to get the Track Changes version to you, in the event the info is helpful.

Thanks for all your help!

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From: Vargas, Darcy <darcy_vargas@fws.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, April 20, 2022 5:54 PM
To: Calleson, Teresa <teresa_calleson@fws.gov>
Subject: Miami Seaquarium ltr draft

Hi Terri,

I submitted the attached draft letter to Amy for approval today. It is only a draft and it could therefore, end up being changed significantly from it's current form. The attached letter is only for internal use and should not be shared with anyone (since it is not approved/final).

I am only sharing it now because I thought you may want to be aware of the proposed suspension letter format that was used (but, could still be changed). At first, we considered

trying to create a friendlier tone to the letter, but our need to cite specific regulations made it very difficult to keep a more informal tone to the letter. However, the good news is that they will still have 45 days (after we mail our letter) to correct all of the concerns outlined in the letter.

Also, the 5th paragraph currently references your office, when we state: "Nonetheless, we have been informed by our regional office that manatees in need of critical care are no longer being placed at Miami Seaquarium due to Miami Seaquarium no longer having a qualified critical care veterinarian." Please let me know if you would like us to change that sentence to something more appropriate or if you are okay with it, as written.

Thanks,
Darcy

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From: Bill Lentz <Bill.Lentz@PalaceEntertainment.com>
Sent: Monday, November 22, 2021 9:40 PM
To: Calleson, Teresa
Cc: Chris Plante; Travis Burke
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: [Internet Sender] RE: Miami Seaquarium Manatee Critical Care Support Status

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Hi Teresa,

Yes, we are willing to take some additional "holding" type cases. Let's hope the UME does not continue with the high numbers we had earlier this year.

Have a Happy Thanksgiving!

Bill Lentz
General Manager



From: Calleson, Teresa [mailto:teresa_calleson@fws.gov]
Sent: Monday, November 22, 2021 4:16 PM
To: Bill Lentz
Cc: Chris Plante
Subject: [Internet Sender] RE: Miami Seaquarium Manatee Critical Care Support Status

Bill,

Thank you for your email! Appreciate any updates as MSQ works through some issues and is ready to resume critical care cases. When you have a chance, please let us know if Miami would be willing to take some additional "holding" type cases for stable manatees that just need some more time. With the UME this winter, the program will need all the spaces that we can so anything that MSQ could do to help in that area would be appreciated.

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From: Bill Lentz <Bill.Lentz@PalaceEntertainment.com>

Sent: Monday, November 22, 2021 8:31 AM

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Cc: Chris Plante <CPlante@msq.cc>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Miami Seaquarium Manatee Critical Care Support Status

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Good morning Terri,

I hope you had a nice weekend.

As we discussed last Friday, Miami Seaquarium would like to pause our manatee critical care support status. We can still provide field logistical support. We will keep you informed of our progress to return to full critical care support.

Thank you.

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