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**Subject:** Re: OMB Review of EPA's 316(b) final regulation  
**Date:** Thursday, October 24, 2013 10:48:25 AM

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OMB spoke with EPA and confirmed that we will have 45 days to review.

Thanks,  
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On Thu, Oct 24, 2013 at 10:23 AM, Souza, Paul <[paul\\_souza@fws.gov](mailto:paul_souza@fws.gov)> wrote:

Folks,

I talked to Rob Wood and Helen Golde late last week and believe we are getting 45 days from the day we receive the final rule to complete our consultation, as we requested. If you've heard something different, let me know.

Thanks,

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On Thu, Oct 24, 2013 at 10:18 AM, Sayers, Rick <[rick\\_sayers@fws.gov](mailto:rick_sayers@fws.gov)> wrote:

FYI--

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From: **Apgar, Megan** <[megan\\_apgar@ios.doi.gov](mailto:megan_apgar@ios.doi.gov)>

Date: Thu, Oct 24, 2013 at 9:12 AM  
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Hi Rick,  
Just wanted to pass-on some info I got from OMB yesterday:

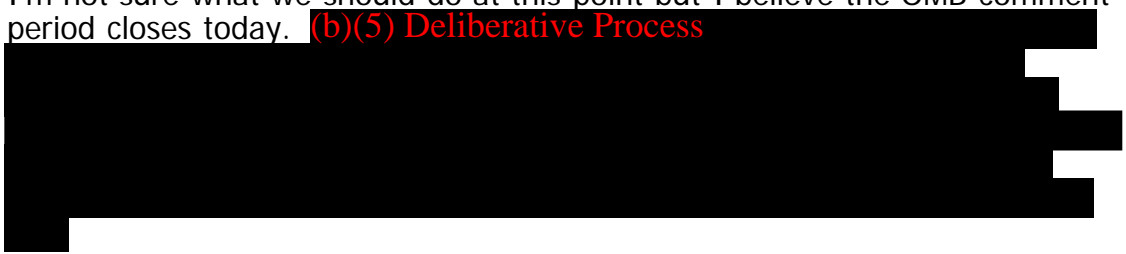
- OMB hopes to get another draft of the reg text from EPA later this week (said with a degree of hesitancy b/c this has been promised for a while now)
- EPA is going to the litigants to ask for more time
- FWS will have 30 days to review the new language

Let me know if you have any questions and I can circle back to Cortney to get some answers.

Thanks,  
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On Tue, Oct 22, 2013 at 9:28 AM, Sayers, Rick <[rick\\_sayers@fws.gov](mailto:rick_sayers@fws.gov)> wrote:  
Megan,

I'm not sure what we should do at this point but I believe the OMB comment period closes today. (b)(5) Deliberative Process



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