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Subject: Re: Letter Requesting Formal Consultation on EPA's Final Regulations on Cooling Water Intake Structures
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Hi Rob,

Attached please find our letter confirming NMFS' initiation of formal section 7 consultation and conference (for proposed species) on EPA's proposal to finalize regulations on cooling water intake structures (CWA 316(b)). As described in the letter, we initiated consultation on June 18, 2013. We will deliver our biological and conference opinion 135 days after this date (October 31, 2013). Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

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On Tue, Jun 18, 2013 at 4:14 PM, Wood, Robert <Wood.Robert@epa.gov> wrote:

Colleagues,

Attached as promised is EPA's letter to the Services requesting formal consultation on the EPA's final regulations to establish requirements for cooling water intake structures at existing facilities. I greatly appreciate your willingness to agree to formal consultation within the time frames we discussed in our meeting here at EPA on June 5th. Nancy Stoner is arranging a senior management check-in call with you for Thursday June 20 at 2:00 PM to discuss next steps. If you haven't already received an invitation from Nancy's office, one should be coming shortly. I hope you can make it.

Under separate cover, I am sending you (b)(5) Deliberative Process



Thanks, and I look forward to continuing to work with you on this important rulemaking.

Rob Wood

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