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Memorandum

To: Charles W. Monnett  
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From: Eric May  
Special Agent, Western Regional Office

Subject: Notification of Investigations Issues

In order to prepare for our interview on August 9<sup>th</sup>, the following information is provided.

The Office of Inspector General (OIG) for the Department of the Interior is investigating your conduct as an employee of the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement (BOEMRE). We intend to discuss actions taken in your official capacity as a biologist and any collateral duties involving contracts as an official of the U.S. Government. These actions include the procurement of a sole source, cost-reimbursable contract with the University of Alberta to conduct a study titled "Populations and Sources of the Recruitment in Polar Bears".

Please be prepared to address specific issues to include, but not limited to, compliance with the Federal Acquisition Regulations, disclosure of personal relationships and preparation of the scope of work. Additionally, the interview may include follow-up questions to your previous interview with the OIG regarding the integrity and representation of your official work.

The Department of Justice has declined criminal prosecution regarding matters we will discuss in this interview. Therefore, the interview will be administrative in nature and the results will be provided to the BOEMRE Director for appropriate action upon the conclusion of the investigation.

Please provide a list of names for those who will be attending and as before, only persons representing you may be involved in the interview. In a similar manner to your previous interview, OIG Agents will record the interview and upon your request, you will be provided with a copy of the transcription after it is available.