
From: Abramoff, Jack [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, July 02, 2002 8:19 PM
To: van Horne, Jon [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Information

Let's do hubzone. I am meeting Coushatta next week. Can it wait for then?

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From: van Horne, Jon [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, July 02, 2002 2:06 PM
To: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)
Subject: RE: Information

You still want to do the letter?

As for the preference, here are our options: Limiting it to Indian owned would require legislation. 8a is not practical because it take a long time for a firm to get 8a certified; tons of paperwork. SDB and Hubzone status also require SBA certification (as we know from Choctaw Manufacturing) but it (usually) does not take as long. SDB (small disadvantaged business) would not be my first choice. It could create more competition than we want, i.e., African-American firms; also it is subject to constitutional challenge under Adarand. Hubzone is likely to produce less competition. It is a preference that can be implemented without legislation.

If we go Hubzone, we need to get a business entity certified yesterday. That's why I needed to know what tribe we are dealing with.

We can deal with the minority business/hubzone preference, but I need technical experts if we are going to influence the technical specs to our advantage. I have put out some inquiries, but we need to move on this now also.

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From: Abramoff, Jack [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, July 02, 2002 1:41 PM
To: van Horne, Jon [REDACTED]
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Might not be Choctaw. Might be Coushatta. That does not matter right now. We need to get David specs for the bid, I think.

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From: van Horne, Jon [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, July 02, 2002 1:14 PM
To: Abramoff, Jack [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Information

I am working on the draft congressional letter. Is that the top priority? Also I continue to track down info for assembling a team. I assume that the tribe involved here will be Choctaw? Should we be talking to someone there also?

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From: Abramoff, Jack [REDACTED]
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To: van Horne, Jon [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Information

We have to get moving on the DPO. We have to move mega fast.