
From: Childs, Jeff
Sent: Wednesday, June 14, 2006 10:55 AM
To: Stang, Paul
Cc: Cranswick, Deborah
Subject: invasive species reassignment

Hi Paul,

In a recent email from Deb Cranswick, I learned that I am no longer tasked with invasive species. I spoke with Deb about this following the email and was told that I had violated DOI/MMS policy and as such was taken off invasive species. She could not cite for me the policy that I had violated. Please provide me with the following written information:

- who made the decision to take me off invasive species,
- what DOI/MMS policy I've been charged with violating (please provide me a copy), and
- the evidence demonstrating the purported violation.

Thanks,
Jeff

From: Cranswick, Deborah
Sent: Wednesday, June 14, 2006 3:22 PM
To: Childs, Jeff
Cc: Stang, Paul
Subject: RE: invasive species reassignment

Jeff,

Paul asked me to respond to your questions below. Here are my responses

- who made the decision to take me off invasive species,

I made the decision to not assign the invasive species for the Sale 193 EIS to you. The issue will be scoped out per DOI and MMS policy. The Coordinator is responsible for including that text.

- what DOI/MMS policy I've been charged with violating (please provide me a copy), and I did not accuse you of violating DOI/MMS policy. I apologize if you misunderstood and heard that. During our discussion, I was trying to explain to you why you were taken off of the invasive species section of the PEA. That was because you refused to implement DOI and MMS policy vis-à-vis invasive species. That policy is stated in Greg Gould's e-mail (attached) and quoted here:

Bottom line: No information regarding seismic vessels introducing invasive species on the OCS, the Coast Guard has regulations dealing with this issue, we require the seismic companies to follow the USCG regulations, therefore no issue.

When I spoke to you about this issue before the final telecon you stated that you would not budge from your position. After the final telecon and Greg's e-mail, you continued to argue against the stated policy and management direction.

- the evidence demonstrating the purported violation.

My documentation of these conversations is also attached. I believe you have these e-mail. There is additional e-mail that I believe we both have. I can provide that to you also if you need it.

You are welcome to come in and discuss this with me further if you have any additional questions.

Debbie