



March 15, 2021

Michael Regan, Administrator
Office of the Administrator 1101A, USEPA
1200 Pennsylvania Ave NW
Washington, DC 20460

RE: Meeting request

Dear Administrator Regan:

The Northwest Toxic Communities Coalition (NWTCC) wish to meet with you to inform you of our activism in USEPA Region 10, and our deep interest in being involved in the selection of the appointment of this Region's administrator to assist in hazardous waste cleanups.

The NWTCC formed in 2007, is a registered non-profit. Our involvement covers the states of Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Alaska. Our purpose is to seek out communities with hazardous waste sites and to assist the communities with cleanups. As far as we know, we are the only USEPA regional organization focused on assisting communities as they work their way through overseeing hazardous waste cleanups. Additionally, the NWTCC aids impacted communities by providing technical assistance, and hosting webinars featuring prominent scientists on topics of interest to organizations through the region.

Although formed in 2007, our collaboration has a deeper history having begun in the 1990's and engaging with at least a half-dozen Administrators of Region 10. Our members are cognizant of the need to cleanup wastes in the Region, as we live with the consequences on a daily basis and know all too well the influence polluters have over the process. Our collective experience should be helpful to you to understand Region 10's cleanup perspectives, and to select a regional Administrator that would facilitate hazardous waste cleanups that are both beneficial and respectful of the impacted communities.

We hope you will meet with us (virtual, of course) and take our knowledge, experience and recommendations into account during deliberations to appoint a new regional administrator.

We congratulate you on your appointment and wish you well in your new role.

Respectfully,

Patricia Martin
NWTCC Chair

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