Howe, Susan (Suey)- ASP

From: Marion, Jennifer SOL

Sent: Wednesday, May 20, 2009 11:00 AM

To: Hugler, Edward - ASAM; McMullen, James - OSEC ; Kerr, Michael - ASAM; Volpe, Michael - OPA; Franks, Kathleen - ASP; Wiesner, Thomas - OASAM; Ouyachi, Hamid - OASAM; Howe, Susan (Suey)- ASP

Cc: Harris, Seth - OSEC; Greenfield, Deborah - OSEC; Cornale, Samuel - OSEC; Rooney, Nancy - SOL; Deleon, Terri - EXECSEC; Close, Nalini - EXECSEC; Heimlich, Judith - EXECSEC; Willett, Ronald - EXECSEC

Subject: Decisions & Assignments: Open Government Initiative, Meeting on Tuesday, May 19th

Attendees: Seth Harris, Ed Hugler, Jim McMullen, Mike Kerr, Mike Volpe, Kathleen Franks, Tom Wiesner, Hamid Ouyachi, Suey Howe (by phone), Terri Deleon, Jennifer Marion

Decisions and Assignments:

1. ASP will prepare a report for the White House before May 21 on accomplished Open Government ("OG") Initiative tasks (i.e., the Secretary's online town hall, the Secretary's e-mail "suggestion box"). (ASP should confirm whether the blog has been launched and, if so, add it to the accomplished tasks.) ASP should coordinate with OPA and Beth Noveck to determine the format of the report.

2. ASP and OASAM will establish a working group (by the next meeting) to develop the Department's OG projects. The working group will be co-chaired by ASP and OASAM, and should include members from the other elbow agencies. OPA should determine who from OPA should participate in the working group. When appropriate, the working group will develop project working groups to implement the OG projects. The working group should determine the process for accomplishing the OG projects, including how to prioritize projects, how to get resources, who is in charge of each project, and what steps need to be taken for each project. Projects discussed include:

   a. Public disclosure projects such as: Searchable Enforcement Database, Searchable BLS Database, coverage determination letters and other quasi-regulatory information.

   b. Public engagement projects such as: programmatic performance evaluation results, google for government, compliance assistance and internal wikis, Grants 2.0, and Regs 2.0.

3. ASP and OASAM (in coordination with the working group and any other agency that should be consulted) should pick 1-2 projects that can be accomplished fairly quickly, such as the compliance assistance wiki and the internal wiki, and work towards implementing these over the next 4- 8 weeks (not a hard deadline).

4. ASP and OASAM (in coordination with the working group) should develop a calendar of tentative project completion dates, including what the Department can do short-term, next steps for long-term projects, and budget and resource needs for near- and long-term projects. All projects should be cost-effective, and the near-term projects should be as low-cost as possible. To the extent possible, projects should be done in-house and the feasibility of developing an internship program to work on OG projects should be investigated.

5. ASP will propose an OG implementation policy and vet it through the other agencies. Possibilities for the policy include a centralized process where agencies need to justify what they do not disclose and a departmental structure for determining what should be disclosed. The policy should be created with the goal of developing a departmental inventory of all disclosable documents.

6. ASP will pursue development of a peer review/community commentary element of Grants 2.0 that would allow the public to comment on grant applications. ASP should consult with SOL on how the peer review should be implemented.

7. OASAM will examine our compliance with the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act.

8. Exec Sec will contact Sam Cornale to set up a follow-up meeting the week of June 1, 2009.

From:	Howe, Susan (Suey)- ASP
Sent:	Thursday, June 24, 2010 10:22 AM
To:	Uzzell, Megan - ASP
Subject:	FW: UPDATED: RE: Delay in Enforce DB Update

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-----Original Message-----
From: Franks, Kathleen - ASP
Sent: Wednesday, June 23, 2010 8:19 AM
To: Howe, Susan (Suey)- ASP
Subject: FW: UPDATED: RE: Delay in Enforce DB Update

-----Original Message-----
From: Ouyachi, Hamid - OASAM
Sent: Tuesday, June 22, 2010 10:36 PM
To: Wiesner, Thomas - OASAM; Harris, Seth - OSEC
Cc: Roberts, David - OPA; Franks, Kathleen - ASP; Fillichio, Carl - OSEC; Kerr, Michael - ASAM; Yu, Harlan - OPA
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Version 1.2 is online, with the exception of the Web Usage Statistics. The critical components are:

Updated Home Page with What's New Box: http://ogesdw.dol.gov/

The Data Catalog is online in production and can be viewed at http://ogesdw.dol.gov/raw_data_catalog.php. The Data Catalog has datasets for MSHA, OFCCP, OSHA & WHD. EBSA is not included because we do not have their metadata still.

The Data Dictionary is also online and can be accessed by running a search and viewing search results, or directly at: http://ogesdw.dol.gov/data_dictionary.php.

The web usage statistics tool and pages should be online later this week or early next week.

Thanks

Hamid Ouyachi

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From: Wiesner, Thomas - OASAM
Sent: Sun 6/20/2010 8:43 AM
To: Harris, Seth - OSEC
Cc: Roberts, David - OPA; Ouyachi, Hamid - OASAM; Franks, Kathleen - ASP; Fillichio, Carl - OSEC; Kerr, Michael - ASAM
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We ran into some unexpected problems in loading the enforcement database version 1.2 into production Friday night/this weekend. We are now looking at mid week to load the new version into production. Will keep everyone informed.
Tom

Uzzell, Megan - ASP

From:	Fillichio, Carl - OSEC
Sent:	Wednesday, March 10, 2010 8:26 PM
To:	Uzzell, Megan - ASP
Subject:	FW: Open Government Update/ACTION REQUIRED
Attachments:	Open Government Plan_DRAFT outline_030110.doc; OGD Stakeholder Message.doc; OGD Employee Email.doc; Talking Points on Open Government for DOL Leadership.doc

As requested, thanks for following up

From: Fillichio, Carl - OSEC
Sent: Friday, March 05, 2010 12:49 PM
To: Spriggs, William - ASP; Kennedy, Brian - OCIA; Polaski, Sandra - ILAB; Hall, Keith - BLS; Borzi, Phyllis - EBSA; Oates, Jane - ETA; Oates, Jane2 - ETA; Main, Joseph A - MSHA; Michaels, David - OSHA; Martinez, Kathy – ODEP Assistant Secretary; Shiu, Patricia A - OFCCP; Lund, John - OLMS; Kerr, Michael - ASAM; Lacey, Dan - BLS; Smith, M.Patricia - SOL; Greenfield, Deborah - OSEC; Hallmark, Shelby - OWCP; Jefferson, Raymond - VETS; Leppink, Nancy - WHD; Manzano-Diaz, Sara - WB
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Cc: Roberts, David - OPA

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Thanks, we do need your data sets by Friday, and for you to link on your homepage. Assume k franks is your high level liason on open gov, but worth checking

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Great! Were having an all oasp staff mtg tomorrow so Bill will reinforce support for open govt, which is much loved by asp'ers!!!!

Megan J. Uzzell
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