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From: Brown, Michael D
Sent: Wednesday, August 31, 2005 12:24 PM
To: 'Marty.Bahamonde@dhs.gov'
Subject: Re: New orleans

Thanks for update. Anything specific I need to do or tweak?

-----Original Message-----
From: Bahamonde, Marty <Marty.Bahamonde@dhs.gov>
To: 'michael.d.brown@dhs.gov' <Michael.D.Brown@dhs.gov>
Sent: Wed Aug 31 12:20:20 2005
Subject: New orleans

Sir, I know that you know the situation is past critical. Here some things you might not know.
Hotels are kicking people out, thousands gathering in the streets with no food or water. Hundreds still being rescued from homes.

The dying patients at the DMAT tent being medivac. Estimates are many will die within hours. Evacuation in process. Plans developing for dome evacuation but hotel situation adding to problem. We are out of food and running out of water at the dome, plans in works to address the critical need.

FEMA staff is OK and holding own. DMAT staff working in deplorable conditions. The sooner we can get the medical patients out, the sooner wecan get them out.

Phone connectivity impossible

More later

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

[redacted]

From: Brown, Michael D
Sent: Tuesday, September 06, 2005 11:22 AM
To: Altshuler, Brooks; Lowder, Michael
Subject: FW: Medical Help

Can we use these people?

From: carolyn [mailto:[redacted]
Sent: Friday, September 02, 2005 5:57 PM
To: Michael D Brown; Michael D Brown
Subject: Medical Help

Mike,

Mickey and other medical equipment people have a 42 ft trailer full of beds, wheelchairs, oxygen concentrators, etc. They are wanting to take them where they can be used but need direction. Mickey specializes in ventilator patients so can be very helpful with acute care patients. If you could have someone contact him and let him know if he can be of service, he would appreciate it. Know you are busy but they really want to help. His number is [redacted]

Carol

[redacted]

From: Lowder, Michael
Sent: Friday, September 02, 2005 12:13 AM
To: Carwile, William; Buikema, Edward; Moore, GaryE
Cc: Fenton, Robert; Ward, Nancy; Munoz, Jesse; Craig, Daniel; Hutchins, Charles; Rhode, Patrick; Brown, Michael D
Subject: RE: Planned Shipments against Requirements through Operating Period S ept 02
Importance: High

Unfortunately, I'm afraid that you are correct. I don't have a good excuse. I've been offered several reasons why this happened, but I still can't explain why. I have give instruction to do what ever it takes to move every possible truck of water, MRE's, and ice straight to Camp Shelby, as fast as physically possible.

With that said, 155 trucks of MRE (3.5million MRE's) should be arriving on Saturday evening. I have instructed the logistics staff to do everything humanly possible to expedite this shipment.

I have asked them to find water where ever they can to get it to you.

ML

From: Carwile, William
Sent: Thursday, September 01, 2005 11:17 PM
To: Lowder, Michael; Buikema, Edward; Moore, GaryE
Cc: Fenton, Robert; Ward, Nancy; Munoz, Jesse; Craig, Daniel
Subject: FW: Planned Shipments against Requirements through Operating Period S ept 02

Turns out this report is true. Bob just got off a call with Rudy and there seems to be no way we will get commodities in amounts beyond those indicated below. And it turns out these shortfalls were known much earlier in the day and we were not informed.

Will need big time law enforcement reinforcements tomorrow. All our good will here in MS will be very seriously impacted by noon tomorrow. Have been holding it together as it is.

Can no longer afford to rely on LRC. Fully intend to take independent measures to address huge shortfalls.

Do you guys want to tell MDB and Patrick or should I?

From: Fenton, Robert
Sent: Thursday, September 01, 2005 10:56 PM
To: Carwile, William
Subject: FW: Planned Shipments against Requirements through Operating Period S ept 02

The report say's 60 ice 26 water tomorrow, this will cause significant issues or requirements is 450 water 450 ice.

-Bob

From: Fenton, Robert
Sent: Thursday, September 01, 2005 18:54
To: 'FEMA-LRC-Deputy-Chief'; Allen, Steve; Ambler, William; Barber, Gene; Bell, Smitty; Bennett, Sierra; Bishop, Robert; Broome, Randy; Bullard, James; Burchette, Joe; Carwile, Bill; Charlie Collins; Coalson, Dan; Compton,

Roger; Cooper, Ron; Cromwell, Scott; Damato, Earl; Dean, Anita; Dotson, Shannon; Earman, Margie; Edwards, Howard; Edwards,Ginger; EST-ESF01; EST-ESF03; EST-ESF07; Etzel, Jeanne; Faria, Bob; FEMA-LC-ATLANTA; FEMA-LC-ATLANTA-MANAGER; FEMA-LC-FORTWORTH; FEMA-LC-FORTWORTH-MANAGER; FEMA-LRC-Administrative-Officer; FEMA-LRC-Cache-Manager; FEMA-LRC-Chief; FEMA-LRC-Communications-Officer; FEMA-LRC-Coordination-and-Planning; FEMA-LRC-EHU-OPS1; FEMA-LRC-XTRA; Fenton, Bob; Ferrara, Don; Garcia, Rudy; Goins, Ronald; Goodman, Joe; Greenaway, Rich; Harrington, Dick; Hicks, Spencer; Hudson, Ernie; Huff, Frank; Hurst, Jules; Jones, Reginald; Kaczorowoski, KAZ; Kelemen, Nan; Kellogg Harry; Kier, Edward; Larson, Larry; Marchacos, Stephen; Matz, Shawn; Middleton, Charlie; Miller, Mike; Mungenast Paul "Monkey"; NDMS; Nichter; Noplis, Jimmy; Plummer,Francine; Preston, Robert; Punjabi, Yogesh; Ransdell, Maurice; Schmaltz, Bill; Screen Ronnie; Smith, Barry; Southerland, John; Stickles, Valerie; Tarr, Chuck; Taylor, Rich; Thomas, Jarvis; Veitch Mary Ann; Weathers, Kent; Westbrook, Deborah; Zellars,Bill; Zuber, Ron
Subject: RE: Planned Shipments against Requirements through Operating Period S ept 02

I hope this report is in error, we ordered 450 water and 450 ice per day, two day's ago which was suppose to start tomorrow. Prior to that on August 28th we ordered 255 water and 255 ice per day to start on August 30th. We have not yet met any of our requirements even with two day's notice. If we get the quantities in your report tomorrow we will have serious riots.

-Bob

From: FEMA-LRC-Deputy-Chief [mailto:Fema-LRC-Deputy-Chief@dhs.gov]
Sent: Thursday, September 01, 2005 15:02
To: Allen, Steve; Ambler, William; Barber, Gene; Bell, Smitty; Bennett, Sierra; Bishop, Robert; Broome, Randy; Bullard, James; Burchette, Joe; Carwile, Bill; Charlie Collins; Coalson, Dan; Compton, Roger; Cooper, Ron; Cromwell, Scott; Damato, Earl; Dean, Anita; Dotson, Shannon; Earman, Margie; Edwards, Howard; Edwards,Ginger; EST-ESF01; EST-ESF03; EST-ESF07; Etzel, Jeanne; Faria, Bob; FEMA-LC-ATLANTA; FEMA-LC-ATLANTA-MANAGER; FEMA-LC-FORTWORTH; FEMA-LC-FORTWORTH-MANAGER; FEMA-LRC-Administrative-Officer; FEMA-LRC-Cache-Manager; FEMA-LRC-Chief; FEMA-LRC-Communications-Officer; FEMA-LRC-Coordination-and-Planning; FEMA-LRC-Deputy-Chief; FEMA-LRC-EHU-OPS1; FEMA-LRC-XTRA; Fenton, Bob; Ferrara, Don; Garcia, Rudy; Goins, Ronald; Goodman, Joe; Greenaway, Rich; Harrington, Dick; Hicks, Spencer; Hudson, Ernie; Huff, Frank; Hurst, Jules; Jones, Reginald; Kaczorowoski, KAZ; Kelemen, Nan; Kellogg Harry; Kier, Edward; Larson, Larry; Marchacos, Stephen; Matz, Shawn; Middleton, Charlie; Miller, Mike; Mungenast Paul "Monkey"; NDMS; Nichter; Noplis, Jimmy; Plummer,Francine; Preston, Robert; Punjabi, Yogesh; Ransdell, Maurice; Schmaltz, Bill; Screen Ronnie; Smith, Barry; Southerland, John; Stickles, Valerie; Tarr, Chuck; Taylor, Rich; Thomas, Jarvis; Veitch Mary Ann; Weathers, Kent; Westbrook, Deborah; Zellars,Bill; Zuber, Ron
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Bill Hall will moderate this agenda item tonight. Rudy will follow up with addendums tomorrow. Operational period ending 8/31 was submitted so you can note the changes.

Thanks,

Steve

[redacted]

From: Carol Springman [redacted]
Sent: Thursday, September 08, 2005 3:02 AM
To: president@whitehouse.gov; vice-president@whitehouse.gov; Brown, Michael D; comments@whitehouse.gov
Subject: SAVE THE ANIMALS OF NEW ORLEANS TO SAVE THE PEOPLE!

I saw this HSUS press release and this Baton Rouge newspaper article (see below) on the Internet tonight.
Be assured that the vast majority of the citizens of this nation believe it is absolutely criminal, utterly cruel and beyond comprehension that the federal, state and local governments are withholding public resources that could be used to rescue the non-human family members (which are also legally considered to be their personal property) of Katrina's victims. This is doubly so when it's known that some of those who are refusing to leave are doing so because the "rescuers"
will not allow them to take their animals with them.
Like I said, this is just incomprehensible, cruel and criminal.

I don't know who is ultimately running this government nightmare show but please get your acts together NOW and ORDER OUR troops, their boats, etc., to use all resources to help rescue the animals. The people of NO and the Gulf states would greatly appreciate being shown some actual evidence that the government actually cares about them, just as they obviously care about their animals.

If you don't take action to save these creatures of God who are part of the family of the victims, may God forgive you because the victims of Hurricane Katrina, the rest of America, and the world, will not. I guarantee you that!

Carol Springman

HSUS Pleads with Federal, State, and Local Agencies to Help Rescue Thousands of Stranded Pets

09/07/2005

More Than 750 Pets Rescued by Teams Working with The Humane Society of the United States, but More Help Urgently Needed

NEW ORLEANS and WASHINGTON – With the situation for the animals on the Gulf Coast at a critical juncture
-- as thousands of animals have just a couple of days to live -- The Humane Society of the United States
(HSUS) is calling for federal, state, and local responding agencies to immediately assist with animal rescue efforts.

"We are throwing unprecedented resources at the problem, but its magnitude is beyond our capacity. We need help right now," said Wayne Pacelle, HSUS president and CEO. "Federal, state, and local assistance is critical to our efforts to save the thousands of stranded and abandoned pets still out there. We have animal care experts from around the country who are rescuing as many animals as we can, and we can also take animals rescued by other search and rescue teams."

The HSUS is swiftly marshalling all its resources and by the end of the day expects to have up to 250 people on the ground in Louisiana and Mississippi working as part of the organization's Disaster Animal Response Teams (DART), rescuing and sheltering the animal victims of Hurricane Katrina. Today is the fourth day of the organization's access to New Orleans, where its members helped to carry dozens of animals to safety, taking them out of houses, picking them up in the streets, and collecting them from displaced evacuees leaving the city. For example, the group rescued at least 19 cats during break-and-enter operations in New Orleans homes, undertaken with permission from authorities.

"It's truly a race against the clock," added Pacelle.
"Our teams are working feverishly to rescue as many animals as possible and get out of the watery cesspool left behind by Hurricane Katrina, but we can't do it alone. We need the Coast Guard, fire departments, local rescue agencies, and anyone else who can lend a hand to rescue animals in need."

The HSUS is compiling thousands of reports of pets in need of rescue and working with the Louisiana SPCA to deploy trained, skilled animal rescuers to locate, rescue, and evacuate those animals. Upon entering New Orleans, they targeted animals stranded at the Superdome as their priority goal. There, they rescued dozens of animals relinquished or abandoned by desperate evacuees who fled the city to escape Katrina's rage. So far, The HSUS has helped to rescue and care for more than 1,200 animals in Louisiana and Mississippi, including dogs, cats, cows, ferrets, horses, chinchillas, as well as a rabbit, duck, pot-bellied pig, and seal.

Teams from The HSUS have rescue shelters set up around the Gulf region, including Metairie, Baton Rouge, New Orleans, and Gonzales in Louisiana, and Biloxi, Hattiesburg, Jackson, and Gulfport in Mississippi.

1-800-HUMANE-1 and www.hsus.org

The HSUS been inundated with more than a thousand calls with requests to rescue pets who were left behind or perhaps denied entrance to the Superdome or other shelters. Individuals who learn of stranded pets are urged to call the HSUS call center at 1-800-HUMANE-1, provided they have location information that can be dispatched to the teams in the field.

Thousands of concerned citizens have donated to the relief effort by calling 1-800-HUMANE-1 or by visiting www.hsus.org. People who visit the web site can now see video footage of The HSUS's DART teams in action in New Orleans. The organization has collected more than $8.3 million for disaster relief efforts.

"The outpouring of concern from people around the country has been overwhelming," said Pacelle. "They recognize that animals are suffering, too. Rescuing abandoned pets can offer some peace of mind to the people whose lives have been shattered by this disaster, and The Humane Society of the United States is determined to do everything we can to help."

The Humane Society of the United States is the nation's largest animal protection organization representing more than 9 million members and constituents. The non-profit organization is a mainstream voice for animals, with active programs in companion animals and equine protection, disaster preparedness and response, wildlife and habitat protection, animals in research and farm animal welfare. The HSUS protects all animals through education, investigation, litigation, legislation, advocacy, and field work. The group is based in Washington and has numerous field representatives across the country.

Polly Shannon 301-721-6440

Pet owners refusing to leave homes

Rescuers say efforts disorganized

By SANDY DAVIS

Advocate staff writer

NEW ORLEANS -- David Woodsum poked his head out the attic window of his flooded house on Gladiolus Street on Tuesday and yelled at the men sitting in the flat bottom boat.
"I'm not leaving," Woodsum said. "I won't leave my two cats."

Pets appeared to be the No. 1 reason many of the estimated 10,000 residents still holed up in their flooded homes are refusing to leave.

"I don't know why the government won't let us take these people's pets out," said Steve Miller of Dutchtown, a volunteer who navigated his flat bottom boat down the flooded

streets trying to persuade residents to leave.

"But FEMA has told us we cannot take the pets. They told that we could not take one cat or dog in our boats," Miller said. "It's a stupid rule. More people are going to die because of that."

Miller was one of about 40 other men from the Baton Rouge area who for the past five days have been hauling boats to New Orleans daily to try and help with the rescue effort in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. They were told Tuesday that search-and-rescue efforts would end in the next few days.

"Please come with us," Duke Ramey, one of the men in Miller's boat, yelled at Woodsum. "No one is going to bring you more food and water. The boats and helicopters aren't coming back. This could be your last chance to get out."

But Woodsum was steadfast.

"I'm not leaving my pets here to die," Woodsum yelled at the men in the boat.

"But if you don't come with us, you might die," Ramey said.

Woodsum was undeterred by the arguments. He refused to leave and Miller had no choice but to start the boat and move on.

"I just want to help," Miller said as his voice boomed out in the eerily empty, flooded streets.

"Search and Rescue," he yelled at no one. "If you want to leave your home, please come out."

Most of the people rescued Tuesday were men.

As the boats floated down the streets, bumping over elevated railroad tracks and bobbing grocery carts, Miller said his experience as a volunteer has been "100 percent frustrating."

"Everyone of these men have had enough of bureaucracy," Miller said. "And that's saying it nicely."

Miller said he answered a call from the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals on Friday to bring his boat and join the search-and-rescue efforts in New Orleans.

"I called everybody I knew and so did a lot of other people," Miller said.

They were all told to bring their boats and meet at Jimmy Swaggart Ministries in Baton Rouge late Friday afternoon.

"We ended up with two miles worth of boats," said Leon Tarnto, one of the Baton Rouge area volunteers. "We had 92 boats and more than 200 men who volunteered."

And that's where the good news ended.

"This is one of the biggest fiascos I've ever seen," Tarnto said. "There were no leaders, nobody knew what to do or where to go. We ended up sitting on the sides of roads for hours."

Every day since they joined the effort, the men have met at one of Swaggart Ministries' buildings at 2 a.m.

"I thought we were going to get an early start," Tarnto said. "Instead we sit there for hours doing nothing, and then we sit on the side of the road in New Orleans doing nothing. These people have no idea what they're doing and that includes FEMA and DHH."

Each day, the number of Baton Rouge area boats and volunteers has dwindled until there were only 22 boats Tuesday.

"Why should they waste their time," Miller said. "We want to help, but these government people just don't get it. It's so frustrating."

Each day, the volunteers said they were turned away from the rescue effort for one reason or another.

"We went over to Chalmette one day where they desperately needed help, and we were turned away because some inmates escaped," Ramey said. "Who cares?
Why should that stop us from going in there? That parish (St. Bernard) estimated there were 7,500 stranded in their homes. Nobody's been able to talk to them, and we get turned away."

Miller said that one day he became so angry he broke away from the FEMA sanctioned volunteers and, along with his brother, Mike Miller, searched Orleans Street.

"We hooked up with the military," Steve Miller said.
"They're the only people that know what they're doing.
We rescued about 25 people that day."

And Tuesday, the volunteers were angry because they were sent into an area that already had been searched.

"This has been the greatest waste of human resources I've ever seen," Ramey said.

"We've basically committed a mutiny," Tarnto said.
"We've left DHH and we're working with the military."

With soldiers and paramedics in the boats, the Baton Rouge area volunteers continued scouring the flooded streets of northeast New Orleans.

"We're glad to see you," said Thomas Richardson who has been at his Verbena Street home since Katrina swept through the city.

"It's time to leave," Richardson said. "I have to say, I thought we were better off at home than at one of those shelters."

Richardson and his brother, Gary Richardson, decided to leave once their pets, including dogs, cats and a bird, were rescued.

"Some volunteer group showed up this morning and said they would take our pets," Richardson said.

After the Richardsons were dropped off safely, Miller took his boat out again.

The boat slipped past a skinny, brown-haired dog trapped on the flooded roof of a small building. The thirsty dog lapped the polluted flood waters.

"That dog won't live long," Ramey said, watching it drink.

As Miller yelled for residents to come out, sometimes the only answer from the vacant homes was the yelp of a dog that had been left behind.

"Man, this is sad," Miller said.

As the men turned down Clover Street, Robert Jones sat on the front porch of his flooded home.

"I'm not leaving," Jones said. "I'm doing just fine."

Two dogs played on the porch.

"There's no way I'm leaving my dogs," Jones said.
"Thanks for stopping, but I'm not leaving."

Click here to return to story:
http://2theadvocate.com/stories/090705/new_evac001.shtml

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From: Brown, Michael D

Sent: Thursday, September 08, 2005 10:38 AM

To: Lokey, William; Altshuler, Brooks; Picciano, Joe; Carwile, William; Sherman, Ron

Cc: 'john.jordan2@us.army.mil'

Subject: Pets

I want us to start planning for dealing with pets. If evacuees are refusing to leave because they can't take their pets with them, I understand that. So, we need to facilitate the evacuation of those people by figuring out a way to allow them to take their pets. Bill and Ron, this may not be an issue for you in AL and MS, but it is a huge issue in LA. Please get some sort of plan together to start handling the pets. Thanks. MB

[redacted]

From: Lowder, Michael
Sent: Monday, August 29, 2005 9:39 AM
To: Brown, Michael D; Rhode, Patrick; Heath, Michael; Buikema, Edward; Craig, Daniel; Lokey, William; Jones, Gary
Subject: FW: superdome

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Sent: Monday, August 29, 2005 9:36 AM
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Subject: RE: superdome

Report that the levee in Arabi has failed.. next to the industrial canal

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FEMA Hurricane Liaison Team Coordinator
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Thanks. Ed

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From Marty. He is at the New Orleans EOC and is watching this as it unfolds. Mike Beeman is in Gulfport. However, we have not been able to establish communications with him.

Marty is going to try to send us photos shortly.
-----Original Message-----
From: Heath, Michael
Sent: Monday, August 29, 2005 10:12 AM
To: Rhode, Patrick; Altshuler, Brooks; Burris, Ken
Subject: RE: superdome

From Marty Bahamonde in the New Orleans EOC (next to the superdome)

-Severe flooding on the St. Bernard/Orleans parish line. Police report water level up to second floor of two story houses. People are trapped in attics.

-Pumps starting to fail. The city has now confirmed four pumps are off line.

-Windows and parts of the east side of the Amaco building blown out.
-New Orleans shopping center (next to superdome) destroyed.
-Windows and parts of the East side of the Hyatt Hotel have been blown out. Furniture is blowing out of the hotel.
-Top floors of the Entergy building have been blown out -Area around the Superdome is beginning to flood.

We should have pictures shortly.

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Sent: Monday, August 29, 2005 12:09 PM
To: 'Michael.Lowder[redacted] 'Michael.D.Brown[redacted]
Subject: Re: Information

I'm being told here water over not a breach

-----Original Message-----[redacted]
From: Lowder, Michael [redacted]
To: 'Michael.D.Brown@dhs.gov' [redacted]
Sent: Mon Aug 29 11:57:35 2005
Subject: Fw: Information

Not sure if you have this..

-----Original Message-----[redacted]
From: Heath, Michael [redacted]
To: Lowder, Michael [redacted]
Sent: Mon Aug 29 11:51:18 2005
Subject: Re: Information

FYI...

From Marty. He has been trying to reach Lokey.

New Orleans FD is reporting a 20 foot wide breech on the lake ponchatrain side levy. The area is lakeshore Blvd and 17th street.

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

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Sent: Friday, August 26, 2005 3:36 PM
To: 'Worthy, Sharon'
Subject: Dress Code

Tie or not for tonight? Button down blue shirt?

[redacted]

From: Brown, Michael D
Sent: Monday, August 29, 2005 7:52 AM
To: Taylor, Cindy
Cc: Widomski, Michael
Subject: Re: I know its early, but...

I got it at Nordsstroms. Email McBride and make sure she kniows! Are you proud of me? Can I quit now? Can I go home?

-----Original Message-----
From: Taylor, Cindy [redacted]
To: Brown, Michael D
CC: Widomski, Michael
Sent: Mon Aug 29 07:19:13 2005
Subject: I know its early, but...

My eyes must certainly be deceiving me. You look fabulous - and I'm not talking the makeup!

[redacted]

From: Brown, Michael D
Sent: Monday, August 29, 2005 8:51 AM
To: Bahamonde, Marty; Taylor, Cindy
Cc: Widomski, Michael
Subject: Re: New Orleans update

If you'll look at my lovely FEMA attire you'll really vomit. I ama fashion god.

-----Original Message-----
From: Bahamonde, Marty [redacted]
To: Taylor, Cindy [redacted] Brown, Michael D [redacted]
CC: Widomski, Michael [redacted]
Sent: Mon Aug 29 08:46:46 2005
Subject: Re: New Orleans update

Now I am going to vomit, laughing and swaying simultaneously is not recommended. And no, I am having that same eyewall problem right now
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Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

[redacted]

From: Worthy, Sharon [redacted]
Sent: Sunday, September 04, 2005 10:17 AM
To: 'michael.d.brown[redacted]
Subject: Your shirt

Please roll up the sleeves of your shirt...all shirts. Even the President rolled his sleeves to just below the elbow.

In this crises and on TV you just need to look more hard-working...ROLL UP THE SLEEVES!

[redacted]

From: Brown, Michael D
Sent: Monday, September 05, 2005 3:14 PM
To: 'witmerpike[redacted]
Subject: Re: CNN

Bazy and Sheila would be perfect. Can you make the connections?

And thanks, Howard, for helping me while I deal with this awful mess down here.

MB

-----Original Message-----
From: witmerpike[redacted] Brown, Michael D [redacted]
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Sent: Mon Sep 05 14:23:33 2005
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From: Brown, Michael D
Sent: Monday, September 05, 2005 3:28 PM
To: 'natalie.rule[redacted]'; 'lmcbride@ovp.eop.gov'
Subject: Fw: CNN

Howard Pike is the former head of the Air Line Pilots Association and a good friend of mine. I'll get on my laptop and get his contact info shortly.

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From: Brown, Michael D
Sent: Monday, September 05, 2005 5:52 PM
To: 'alester[redacted]
Subject: Fw: CNN

Howard Pike is getting dinged. Maybe you'd like to call this ABC News person.

-----Original Message-----
From: witmerpike[redacted]
To: Brown, Michael D [redacted]>
Sent: Mon Sep 05 17:23:56 2005
Subject: Re: CNN

Mike,
I am reaching out to Bazy and Shelia. Not yet contacted them.

Another call from ABC New NY. Christa (212 456 0672) wanting to confirm that you had been asked to leave AHA. I told her that I could NOT confirm that story, and I indicated that the job of Commissioner was automonus from the governance of the rest of the organization and that the task of Commissioner was to Education, Investigate Complaints, and Enforce the rules of Competitions. No doubt some that did not appreciate the efforts of the office of the Commisssioner might have asked him to leave, however, they did not have authority as individuals to do so.
Mike, if you have not got somebody experienced handling press relations on this issue I would suggest you get one on the matter. Who knows what other part of your life they are seeking to distort!
I will follow up with Shelia & Bazy.
Best, Howard W. Pike

---------- Original message ----------

> Bazy and Sheila would be perfect. Can you make the connections?
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> And thanks, Howard, for helping me while I deal with this awful mess
> down here.
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From: James, Tillie
Sent: Thursday, September 01, 2005 2:44 PM
To: Brown, Michael D
Subject: RE: U ok?

Son said he's going out of town.

David's friends watched his dogs the last time he left town. He had the name of a sitter service.

I called Tamara - left messages to see if she still needed help....

-----Original Message-----
From: Brown, Michael D
Sent: Wednesday, August 31, 2005 6:05 AM
To: James, Tillie
Subject: Re: U ok?

Sure, if he likes dogs. Check with David, too.

I should have done my announcement a week early.

-----Original Message-----
From: James, Tillie [redacted]
To: Brown, Michael D [redacted]
Sent: Wed Aug 31 05:49:23 2005
Subject: Re: U ok?

No I don't know anyone. Want me to see if my son is in town and can do it? David Trissell was looking for someone recently too. Maybe he knows someone.

Don't answer my question then.

Still working on project today from home. It's crazy I hear in the office.

-----Original Message-----
From: Brown, Michael D [redacted]
To: James, Tillie [redacted]
Sent: Tue Aug 30 22:52:18 2005
Subject: Re: U ok?

I'm not answering that question, but do have a question. Do you know of anyone who dog-sits? Bethany has backed out and Tamara is looking. If you know of any responsible kids, let me know. They can have the house to themselves Th-Su.

-----Original Message-----
From: James, Tillie <Tillie.James@fema.gov>
To: Brown, Michael D <Michael.D.Brown@fema.gov>
Sent: Tue Aug 30 22:43:17 2005
Subject: U ok?

[redacted]

From: Brown, Michael D
Sent: Tuesday, September 06, 2005 10:58 AM
To: 'Worthy, Sharon'
Subject: RE: Sonic and other food places

Order a #2, tater tots, large diet cherry limeade

-----Original Message-----
From: Worthy, Sharon [redacted]
Sent: Monday, September 05, 2005 7:46 PM
To: 'michael.d.brown@dhs.gov'
Subject: Sonic and other food places

Well, in Ocala, Fla, the gourmet capital of the fast food world, my grease choices are bountiful. Tonight Whataburger. Tomorrow night Sonic. Wednesday Steak 'N Shake. But Thursday, my dinner options grow as I am staying in Orlando...I'm so excited for Thursday night!

[redacted]

And how are you?

[redacted]

From: Brown, Michael D
Sent: Friday, September 02, 2005 8:37 AM
To: 'guhman[redacted]
Subject: Re: Still a star!

Last hurrah was supposed to have been Labor Day. I'm trapped now, please rescue me.

-----Original Message-----
From: guhman[redacted]
To: Brown, Michael D [redacted]
Sent: Thu Sep 01 16:48:39 2005
Subject: FW: Still a star!

I hit send too quickly! Nice to be able to see you again - even if on TV. You get lots of good comments around here - people on the street think you do a really good job of providing updates and other information. Patrick has been very helpful to us on several issues.
Asa's running crazy between DC and Arkansas. I've joined Hutchinson Group consulting firm . So far it's a really smalll group!

Is this your last hurrah? I'll be in DC end of next week and would love to see you. Suspect you might still be in LA/MS etc - especially knowing how much you love to hang around DC/DHS/NAC etc.

Take care!
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Betty Guhman
[redacted]
cell [redacted]

---------- Forwarded Message: ----------
From: guhman[redacted] (Betty Guhman)
To: Michael.D.Brown@dhs.gov
Subject: Still a star!
Date: Thu, 01 Sep 2005 20:39:48 +0000

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Betty Guhman
[redacted]

[redacted]

From: Brown, Michael D
Sent: Saturday, September 03, 2005 1:08 PM
To: 'Maurstad, David'
Subject: RE: Congrats, "Brownie"

I just feel like I'm getting the s--t beat out of me, but hey, we're working out butts off down here...

-----Original Message-----
From: Maurstad, David [redacted]
Sent: Friday, September 02, 2005 5:40 PM
To: 'Michael.D.Brown@dhs.gov'
Subject: Congrats, "Brownie"

Great work. Hope your day went as well as it looked on. TV. Take care of yourself.

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld