



## Department of Energy

Bonneville Power Administration  
P.O. Box 3621  
Portland, Oregon 97208-3621

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

November 18, 2008

In reply refer to: DK-7

Mr. Dan Seligman  
Attorney at Law  
BPA Watch  
P.O. Box 99249  
Seattle, WA 98139

RE: FOIA #09-004

Dear Mr. Seligman:

This letter is a final response to your request for information that you made to the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. 552.

**You have requested the following:**

BPA contract(s) with Washington2 Advocates since March 12, 2008 including:

1. Copies of all contracts and/or contract amendments between BPA and Washington2 Advocates;

**Response:** BPA has located and provided pages 1 thru 4 in their entirety.

2. Copies of all invoices submitted by Washington2 Advocates to BPA;

**Response:** BPA has released pages 5 thru 14 with some information redacted under Exemption 6 of the FOIA.

3. Copies of all communications, whether in written or electronic form, between BPA and Washington2 Advocates including correspondence, emails and their attachments whether generated by BPA, W2A or others;

**Response:** BPA has released pages 15 thru 143 with some information redacted under Exemption 6 of the FOIA.

4. Copies of all work product and written advice, including but not limited to states of work, reports, analyses, newsletters and other documents, whether in written or electronic form, submitted by Washington 2 Advocates to BPA; and

**Response:** BPA has provided pages 144 thru 165 in their entirety.

5. The names, dates and titles of all individuals contacted by Washington2 Advocates on behalf of BPA.

**Response:** BPA has no responsive document to this request.

In Item 2, we are withholding taxpayer number, bank account and routing numbers from these records because they are protected under Exemption 6 of the FOIA. Exemption 6 of the FOIA protects personnel, medical and similar files when disclosure would cause a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy (5 U.S.C. 552(b)(6)).

In Item 3, we are withholding personal information of a non-Federal employee's child that is protected under Exemption 6 of the FOIA. Exemption 6 of the FOIA protects personnel, medical and similar files when disclosure would cause a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy (5 U.S.C. 552(b)(6)).

If you are dissatisfied with this determination, you may make an appeal within thirty (30) days of receipt of this letter to the Director of Office of Hearings and Appeals, Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585. Both the envelope and the letter must be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." There is no charge for your request.

I appreciate the opportunity to assist you with this matter. If you have any questions about this letter, please contact Laura M. Atterbury, FOIA/Privacy Act Specialist, at 503-230-7305.

Sincerely,

*/s/ Christina J. Brannon*

Christina J. Brannon  
Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act Officer

Enclosure(s): Responsive Documents

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**Item #1**

**BONNEVILLE**  
**POWER ADMINISTRATION**

**CONTRACT**

*Mail Invoice To:*

Nancy Stephan  
PGPW-5  
P.O. BOX 3621  
PORTLAND OR 97208-3621

Contract : 00004992  
Release :  
Page : 1

*Vendor:*

WASHINGTON 2 ADVOCATES LLC  
PO BOX 1462  
BELLEVUE WA 98009

*Please Direct Inquiries to:*

RAY L. BYRD  
Title: CONTRACT SPECIALIST  
Phone: 503-230-7558  
Fax :

Attn: NINA COLLIER

Contract Title: ANTHONY WILLIAMS - CONSULTING SERVICES - DC OFFICE

Total Value : \$639,887.00  
Pricing Method: TIME & MATERIALS  
Performance Period: 09/30/08 - 11/30/08

**\*\* NOT TO EXCEED \*\***  
Payment Terms: % Days Net 30

\_\_\_\_\_  
Contractor Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name/Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date Signed

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
BPA Contracting Officer

31 Oct 08  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date Signed

**Contract Amendments**

Title : EXTEND CONTRACT  
Amendment: 012  
Amended Performance Period: 09/30/08 - 11/30/08  
Amendment Value:  
Pricing Method :



## COVER SHEET CONTINUATION

**Contract# 4992 Amendment 12 (Time Extension)  
Washington 2 Advocates LLC**

Contracting Officer's Technical Representative – Kim Winn/ 503-230-5273

Contracting Officer– Ray Byrd / 503-230-7558

1. This contract amendment is hereby issued as follows and contains:
  - Signature Page
  - Cover Sheet Continuation
2. The period of performance is from 30 September 2008 --- 30 November 2008
3. All contract terms and conditions remain the same
4. All rates remain unchanged
5. Please mail invoices marked with contract number to:

**Bonneville Power Administration  
Kim Winn  
P.O. Box 3621  
Portland, OR 97208-3621**

E-mail: [kswinn@bpa.gov](mailto:kswinn@bpa.gov)

Phone: (503) 230-5273

## STATEMENT OF WORK

**Consultant will report to the Bonneville Power Administration's (Bonneville) for National Relations.**

**Consultant will provide strategic counsel (including advice, opinions, and written reports) to Bonneville on national and northwest energy issues. These services are essential for the successful execution of Bonneville's mission and duties by Bonneville's Washington, D.C. office.**

**Consultant will acquire information for Bonneville through regular contacts with Administration Officials, Members of Congress, congressional staff and others who have knowledge and interest in the national and regional energy issues and the eclectic utility industry. Consultant will provide weekly briefings to VP for National Relations and receive instructions for work in the following week at briefings.**

**Consultant will perform no inherently governmental functions and will inform others when Consultant's relationship and limited role with Bonneville may be misunderstood.**

**Consultant will abide by any Federal or Department of Energy lobbying restrictions.**

Sole Source Justification  
**Consulting Services – DC Office**  
**Contract #00004992**

Anthony Willams has acquired unique skills and experiences relating to the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) while serving as consultant in the DC Office. He has an in-depth understanding of regional and national politics as they bear upon BPA as well as long standing relationships in the Congress and the Executive Branch that provides insights into decision-making processes that effect BPA.

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**Item #2**

**From:** Winn, Kim S - DK-7  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 04, 2008 1:49 PM  
**To:** 'Nina Collier'  
**Subject:** RE: Washington2Advocates payments

Our records do not include these invoices. Please submit the work report for March 2008 and July 2008 and I will process them both for payment.

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**From:** Nina Collier [mailto:nina.collier@washington2advocates.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 04, 2008 11:46 AM  
**To:** Winn, Kim S - DK-7  
**Subject:** RE: Washington2Advocates payments

I think ones that I have attached are the ones you are missing?

I am trying to reconcile everything and would appreciate it if you could send me information for payments made to us in 2007. It appears that payment for a month must be missing from 2007 also but I can't tell which one it may be unless I have the information from your end. When we receive our payments from you there is no indication what invoice is being paid. Sometimes I receive an email notification telling me but it is very rare I receive anything.

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**From:** Winn, Kim S - DK-7 [mailto:kswinn@bpa.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 04, 2008 8:57 AM  
**To:** Nina Collier  
**Cc:** Kroshus, Gloria M - FBBS-2  
**Subject:** FW: Washington2Advocates payments

The two payments that were processed last week don't show here. I don't have invoices for March or July in the file.

Gloria, I'm assuming that the file you gave me is complete?

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**From:** Rowe, Pilar R - FTD-2  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 04, 2008 8:24 AM  
**To:** Winn, Kim S - DK-7  
**Subject:** RE: Can you verify payment please

Here are the payments we have made this calendar year.

AP Bus Unit	Voucher ID	Name	Invoice ID	PO/Cont ID	Pymnt Amt	Method	Pay
CORPT	2357220P	WASHINGTON 2 ADVOCATES LLC		2949	004992 7500.000	EFT	
Paid 10/6/2008							

CORPT 8040220P	WASHINGTON 2 ADVOCATES LLC	2905	004992	7500.000	EFT
Paid 8/4/2008					
CORPT 9558120P	WASHINGTON 2 ADVOCATES LLC	2887	004992	7500.000	EFT
Paid 7/16/2008					
CORPT 5616120P	WASHINGTON 2 ADVOCATES LLC	2863	004992	7500.000	EFT
Paid 6/5/2008					
CORPT 7398020P	WASHINGTON 2 ADVOCATES LLC	2812	004992	7500.000	EFT
Paid 3/31/2008					
CORPT 8398020P	WASHINGTON 2 ADVOCATES LLC	2787	004992	7500.000	EFT
Paid 3/20/2008					
CORPT 9685020P	WASHINGTON 2 ADVOCATES LLC	2753	004992	7500.000	EFT
Paid 2/19/2008					
CORPT 2315020P	WASHINGTON 2 ADVOCATES LLC	2723	004992	7500.000	EFT
Paid 1/31/2008					

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**From:** Winn, Kim S - DK-7

**Sent:** Tuesday, November 04, 2008 8:13 AM

**To:** Rowe, Pilar R - FTD-2

**Subject:** Can you verify payment please

The vendor on a contract I just took over as COTR on is saying that payment has not been received for a few months. Can you please review the payments we've made?

Thank you.

4/1/2008

2839

Bonneville Power Administration  
Attn: Paula Jones  
KD-7  
PO Box 3621  
Portland, OR 97208-3621

Financial Information	
Taxpayer No.	ex6
Bank of America, transit routing no.	
Account No.:	ex6

*contract #00004992*

March 2008 Services

TW

7,500.00

*rec'd 1/14  
via email  
payment authorization  
# 00153221*

\$7,500.00



File Copy

# Invoice

DATE	INVOICE #
6/1/2008	2887



PO Box 1462  
Bellevue, WA 98009

BILL TO
<p>Bonneville Power Administration Attn: Paula Jones KD-7 PO Box 3621 Portland, OR 97208-3621 Contract # 00004992 Auth # 00144515</p>

Financial Information
<p>Taxpayer No. <i>210</i> Bank of America, transit routing no. Account No.: <i>410</i></p>

TERMS
DUE ON RECEIPT

DESCRIPTION	BY	AMOUNT
<p>May 2008 Services</p> <p><i>RECEIVED 06.16.2008 JK</i></p>	TW	7,500.00
<p>If you have any questions about this invoice please contact Nina Collier: phone (425) 467-6900 email nina.collier@washington2advocates.com</p>		<p><b>TOTAL</b> \$7,500.00</p> <p><i>OK to pay JK</i></p>

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R.H. to Dis B.  
17-08  
JK

file copy

# Invoice



PO Box 1462  
Bellevue, WA 98009

DATE	INVOICE #
7/1/2008	2905

BILL TO
Bonneville Power Administration Attn: Paula Jones KD-7 PO Box 3621 Portland, OR 97208-3621 <i>Contract # 00004992</i> <i>ANet # 90146193</i>

Financial Information
Taxpayer No. <i>EX6</i> Bank of America, transit routing no. Account No.: <i>EX6</i>

DESCRIPTION	BY	TERMS
		DUE ON RECEIPT
		AMOUNT
June 2008 Services	TW	7,500.00
<i>OK to pay</i> <i>Glen Kwoley</i>		<i>Received</i> <i>7-3-08</i> <i>JK</i>
<b>If you have any questions about this invoice please contact Nina Collier:</b> <i>phone (425) 467-6900 email nina.collier@washington2advocates.com</i>		<b>TOTAL</b> \$7,500.00

8/1/2008

2926

Bonneville Power Administration  
Attn: Paula Jones  
KD-7  
PO Box 3621  
Portland, OR 97208-3621

Financial Information	
Taxpayer No.:	EXP
Bank of America, transit routing no.	
Account No.:	WFO

*Contract # 00004992*

July 2008 Services

TW

7,500.00

*rec'd 11/4  
via email  
payment authorization  
# 00153223* \$7,500.00



# Invoice



PO Box 1462  
Bellevue, WA 98009

DATE	INVOICE #
10/1/2008	2968

BILL TO
Bonneville Power Administration Attn: Paula Jones KD-7 PO Box 3621 Portland, OR 97208-3621  <i>contract 4992</i>

Financial Information
Taxpayer No.: <i>EX6</i> Bank of America. transit routing no. Account No.: <i>EX6</i>

DESCRIPTION	BY	TERMS
		DUE ON RECEIPT
		AMOUNT
September 2008 Services	TW	7,500.00
If you have any questions about this invoice please contact Nina Collier: phone (425) 467-6900 email nina.collier@washington2advocates.com		<b>TOTAL</b> \$7,500.00

*Account C  
10/27/08*

*Payment authorization #00152476*

# Invoice



PO Box 1462  
Bellevue, WA 98009

Date	Invoice #
11/1/2008	2986

Bill To
Bonneville Power Administration Attn: Paula Jones KD-7 PO Box 3621 Portland, OR 97208-3621

Financial Information
Taxpayer No.: <i>EX6</i> Bank of America, transit routing no.: Account No.: <i>EX6</i>

Terms
Due on receipt

Description	By	Amount
October 2008 Services	TW	7,500.00
<i>Payment                      authorization                      # 00152647</i>		
If you have any questions about this invoice please contact Nina Collier, (425) 467-6900.		<b>Total</b> 7,500.00

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**Item #3**

**Stauffer,Nicki - A-7**

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**From:** Tony Williams [tony.williams@washington2advocates.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 12, 2008 8:35 AM  
**To:** Wright,Stephen J - A-7  
**Subject:** RE: more news to share  
**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Completed

I'm sure he will be leaving soon...I sent him an email yesterday and didn't hear back...I will try to place a call to him as well...given that he's editor and publisher, I'm sure someone from the outside will get sent in to replace him...the World is owned by a larger company...I think McClatchy.

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**From:** Wright,Stephen J - A-7 [mailto:sjwright@bpa.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 12, 2008 11:27 AM  
**To:** Tony Williams  
**Subject:** RE: more news to share

when is he leaving, or has he already left? Who is taking his place?

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**From:** Tony Williams [mailto:tony.williams@washington2advocates.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 11, 2008 2:35 PM  
**To:** Wright,Stephen J - A-7  
**Subject:** Fw: more news to share

See below.

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Liz Fortunato  
**To:** Tony Williams  
**Sent:** Mon Aug 11 14:24:35 2008  
**Subject:** more news to share

August 11, 2008 10:37 AM

Hughes leaves World for history

<[http://blog.seattletimes.nwsourc.com/davidpostman/2008/08/hughes\\_leaves\\_world\\_for\\_history.html](http://blog.seattletimes.nwsourc.com/davidpostman/2008/08/hughes_leaves_world_for_history.html)>

Posted by David Postman <<http://search.nwsourc.com/search?sort=date&from=ST&source=ST&byline=David%20Postman>>

I was shocked to see <[http://seattletimes.nwsourc.com/html/localnews/2008101401\\_apwahughessestate1stldwritethru.html](http://seattletimes.nwsourc.com/html/localnews/2008101401_apwahughessestate1stldwritethru.html)> that John Hughes, editor and publisher of the Daily World <<http://www.thedailyworld.com/>> in Aberdeen, had announced he was leaving the trade. He's going to be in charge of the state's oral history program.

Hughes has been at the World his entire career. He started as a nine-year-old paperboy and worked his way up to editor and then publisher. He's 64, so it's not that I thought he would work forever. And this sounds like the perfect new job for Hughes, a historian by avocation and the author of a fascinating book about Grays Harbor County, "On the Harbor, From Black Friday to Nirvana."

But the loss for the rest of us is greater than just the institutional memory that will move with Hughes from his newspaper office to to-be-built Heritage Center. He was a meat and potatoes journalist who knew how to balance the competing interests of sticking up for your community and giving it a kick when needed. Small town papers don't always carry that off so well.

10/24/2008

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He's been among the strongest advocates for open meetings and public records in the state. He's also a damn good writer. There's a long list of journalists in this state who have passed through The World. They all owe something to Hughes, as do we who now benefit -- and sometimes suffer -- at the hands of his proteges.

I am certain that Hughes' new job won't make him any less of an advocate for the people, places and things he has long championed. But the newspaper business in this state just won't be the same without him among the ranks of the ink-stained wrenches.

Secretary of State Sam Reed, Hughes' new boss, is running a home for wayward journalists, young and old. He hired AP vet Dave Ammons as his press secretary and Christina Siderius, formerly a rising star at the Seattle Times, to do new media.

Liz Fortunato

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**Stauffer,Nicki - A-7**

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**From:** Stauffer,Nicki - A-7  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 04, 2008 3:58 PM  
**To:** 'Tony Williams'  
**Subject:** RE: Tomorrow

tomorrow is jammed all day--how about 8:30 on Monday--only 30 minutes

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**From:** Tony Williams [mailto:tony.williams@washington2advocates.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 04, 2008 3:50 PM  
**To:** Stauffer,Nicki - A-7  
**Subject:** Tomorrow

How does Steve's calendar look tomorrow? Can I call to check-in and catch up on stuff? I have a trip to D.C. next week and will be seeing many folks who are interested in our issues...so I'd like to be on message!

I don't fly until Monday afternoon...so if Monday morning is better, I can do that as well.

Sorry for the short notice...I owe ya....TW

**Stauffer,Nicki - A-7**

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**From:** Stauffer,Nicki - A-7  
**Sent:** Monday, September 08, 2008 8:20 AM  
**To:** 'Tony Williams'  
**Subject:** RE: This morning

we'll call you when he gets here

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**From:** Tony Williams [mailto:tony.williams@washington2advocates.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 08, 2008 8:14 AM  
**To:** Stauffer,Nicki - A-7  
**Subject:** This morning

I can call you or you can call me...whatever is easiest...I'm at my desk in seattle right now...425-467-6900, ext 225.

**Stauffer,Nicki - A-7**

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**From:** Stauffer,Nicki - A-7  
**Sent:** Friday, September 26, 2008 2:59 PM  
**To:** Tony Williams (tony.j.williams@att.net)  
**Subject:** Wow!

What a game! Are you still on cloud 9?

**Stauffer,Nicki - A-7**

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**From:** Tony Williams [tony.williams@washington2advocates.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, October 05, 2008 7:14 PM  
**To:** Stauffer,Nicki - A-7  
**Cc:** Wright,Stephen J - A-7  
**Subject:** Connecting with Steve

Nicki - Steve and i need a "phone date" this week if possible. We bith have a bunch of isses to run thru.

I am on the road all week but can easily make time on Monday or Tuesday.

First, really cool news. Last week, the Senate confirmed my nomination to the Board of the National Council on Disabilities. Because of that, i'm in Kansas City on Monday and Tuesday for my first Board meeting and then it's on to DC late Tues night for a couple of days. Back to Seattle on Thurs night.

It would be easy for me step out of the Board meeting for a call with Steve.

Is there a good time for me to call him on those days?

If not, are there some openings on his schedule for Weds and Thurs?

Friday is out for me because i'm at my OSU Board of Trustees meeting. What a nutty week.

All normal next week.

And i'm also curious to know what happened to Steve's Ducks on Sat night? Ha ha!

Talk to you this week!

TW

PS I'd like to also talk about a lunch date later this month.

## Stauffer,Nicki - A-7

**From:** Wright,Stephen J - A-7  
**Sent:** Monday, October 06, 2008 4:09 PM  
**To:** 'Tony Williams'  
**Subject:** FW: Latest presidential polls post VP debate

When we get a chance to talk, I'd like to get your take on this.

**From:** Baskerville,Sonya L - DKN-WASH  
**Sent:** Monday, October 06, 2008 1:44 PM  
**To:** Furumasa,Brian C - DG-7; Burbank,Nita M - PFP-6; Zimmer,Pat R - DKR-7; Kinsey,Bill - LC-7; Pierce,Kathy - KEC-4; Armstrong,David J - F-2; Atterbury,Laura M - DK-7; Baker,Lynn W - DKP-7; Barnes,Arlena M - LP-7; Bennett,Barry - LC-7; Bleifuss,Edward L - DBE-3; Bodi,Lorri - A-SEATTLE; Brannon,Christy - DK-7; Brown,Mary R - PGF-6; Carbonari,Don - FTC-2; Casad,Kurt R - LP-7; Chan,Joyce M - F-2; Cherry,Diane - PFP-6; Collins,Darby A - KL-1; Combs,Chuck - LT-7; Delwiche,Gregory K - KE-4; Evans,Elizabeth A - PFB-6; Fox,Roy B - NH-1; Garcia,Antonio - TFSW-LEWISTON; Goodwin,Helen A - DG-7; Hage,Bonnie J - K-7; Hawken,Mary - FB-2; Hickok,Steven G - D-7; Hoffman,Mike; Homenick,Ron - FS-2; Hunt,Karen A - DKR-7; Hustad,Carol S - PSE-SPOKANE; Hustad,Kenneth H - PSE-SPOKANE; Ingram,Allan E - PFR-6; Jackson,Melanie M - TSE-TPP-2; Johnson,Tim A - LP-7; Jones,Sheron M - DKN-WASH; Kerr,Mary K - KE-4; King,Robert D - TS-DITT-1; Kuntz,Gail K - DKR-MSGL; Kyle,Debra J - N-4; Larson,Stephen R - L-7; Lefler,Valerie A - FS-2; Egerdahl,Shelley M - KSL-4; Mahar,Dulcy A - DKP-7; Mainzer,Elliott E - TSP-TPP-2; Majkut,Paul S - L-7; Malin,Debra J - PTL-5; Marshall,Pam - SP-7; McKinney,Laura L - NHP-3; McNary,Sarah R - A-7; Mertsching,Anita M - FTC-2; Miller,Thomas - LP-7; Mittelstadt,Bill; Mitman,Nancy M - F-2; Mosey,Edward F - PGB-5; Newton,Tiffany L - PGF-6; Norman,Paul E - P-6; Normandeau,Mike - PSE-SPOKANE; Olczak,Margaret A - TSRM-DITT-1; Oliver,Stephen R - PG-5; Oster,Dennis M - TSP-TPP-2; Prickett,Kevin A - TO-DITT1; Raddcliff,Madonna R - TG-DITT-2; Reller,Mark D - DKR-MSGL; Roach,Randy A - L-7; Roberts,Robb F - LC-7; Runzler,Kurt W - LP-7; Sandford,Sue A - FB-2; Sandlin,Dana E - PGC-RICHLAND; Seifert,Roger E - DKN-WASH; Silverstein,Brian L - TP-DITT-2; Stauffer,Nicki - A-7; Swedo,Robert L - DKR-SPOKANE; Taves,John M; Templeton,Ian R - DKP-7; Tetnowski,Sonya M - DKT-7; VanZandt,Vickie - T-DITT2; Willard,Barbara M - L-7; Williams,John J - DKR-BOISE; Wright,Stephen J - A-7; Yoakum,Ann M - A-7; Rockwood,Theresa E - PSW-6; Coe,Scott A - PSW-6; McVey,Keshmira R - KS-4; Strategy Integration Staff; Mason,Kelly J - PSS-6; Anderson,Rob W - PFP-6; Thompson,Garry R - PSE-SPOKANE; Gordon,Peter S - SP-7; Oliver,Terry V - DE-3; Wainwright,Jodie - TPC-TPP-4; Stier,Jeffrey K - KE-4; Ehli,Cathy L - TS-DITT-2; Thatcher,David B - NSP-MODW; Jackson,Lamont - DKN-WASH; Weedall,Michael J - KL-1; Seymour,Melissa A; Decker,Anita J - K-7; Emery,Brian E - TELP-TPP-3; Juj,Hardev S - TO-DITT2; Lofy,Peter T - KEWL-4; McConnell,Brian S - F-2; Hall,Lee J - PTK-5; Cogswell,Peter - DKR-7; Marker,Douglas R - DKR-7; Klumpp,Elizabeth C - DKR-WSGL; Eisdorfer,Jason G - SR-7; Cooper,Suzanne B - PF-6; Bekkedahl,Larry N - TE-DITT-2  
**Subject:** RE: Latest presidential polls post VP debate

Here are the latest poll results since the VP debate and the bail out bill was signed. I'll update on Wednesday after the next Presidential candidate debate. Thanks.

## Election 2008 Latest Polls

- [President](#)

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Monday, October 06

Race (Click to Sort)	Poll	Results	Spread
<a href="#">Virginia</a>	<a href="#">SurveyUSA</a>	<a href="#">Obama 53, McCain 43</a>	Obama + 10
<a href="#">New Hampshire</a>	<a href="#">SurveyUSA</a>	<a href="#">Obama 53, McCain 40</a>	Obama + 13
<a href="#">National</a>	<a href="#">Gallup Tracking</a>	<a href="#">Obama 50, McCain 42</a>	Obama + 8

<u>National</u>	<u>Rasmussen Tracking</u>	<u>Obama 52, McCain 44</u>	Obama + 8
<u>National</u>	<u>Hotline/FD Tracking</u>	<u>Obama 47, McCain 41</u>	Obama + 6
<u>Virginia</u>	<u>Suffolk</u>	<u>Obama 51, McCain 39</u>	Obama + 12
<u>National</u>	<u>Democracy Corps (D)</u>	<u>Obama 49, McCain 46</u>	Obama + 3
<u>Pennsylvania</u>	<u>Morning Call Tracking</u>	<u>Obama 49, McCain 38</u>	Obama + 11
<u>National</u>	<u>Democracy Corps (D)</u>	<u>Obama 48, McCain 45, Nader 3, Barr 2</u>	Obama + 3
<u>National</u>	<u>GW/Battleground Tracking</u>	<u>Obama 50, McCain 43</u>	Obama + 7
<u>New Mexico</u>	<u>Albuquerque Journal</u>	<u>Obama 45, McCain 40</u>	Obama + 5
<u>Georgia</u>	<u>Research 2000</u>	<u>McCain 50, Obama 43</u>	McCain +7

**Sunday, October 05**

<b>Race (Click to Sort)</b>	<b>Poll</b>	<b>Results</b>	<b>Spread</b>
<u>Minnesota</u>	<u>Star Tribune</u>	<u>Obama 55, McCain 37</u>	Obama +18
<u>Colorado</u>	<u>Denver Post</u>	<u>Obama 44, McCain 44</u>	Tie
<u>Ohio</u>	<u>Columbus Dispatch*</u>	<u>Obama 49, McCain 42</u>	Obama +7

**Friday, October 03**

<b>Race (Click to Sort)</b>	<b>Poll</b>	<b>Results</b>	<b>Spread</b>
<u>Washington</u>	<u>Rasmussen</u>	<u>Obama 53, McCain 43</u>	Obama +10
<u>Nevada</u>	<u>Rasmussen</u>	<u>Obama 51, McCain 47</u>	Obama +4
<u>New Hampshire</u>	<u>Rasmussen</u>	<u>Obama 53, McCain 43</u>	Obama +10
<u>Minnesota</u>	<u>SurveyUSA</u>	<u>Obama 46, McCain 47</u>	McCain +1

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**Subject:** RE: Latest presidential polls in advance of tonight's VP debate

Here are the latest polls posted on [realclearpolitics.com](http://realclearpolitics.com). We'll see what happens tomorrow through Sunday (after the debate and Tina Fey).

Election 2008	Obama	McCain	Spread
<u>RCP National Average</u>	<u>49.0</u>	<u>43.3</u>	<u>Obama +5.7</u>
<u>Favorable Ratings</u>	<u>+19.4</u>	<u>+11.6</u>	<u>Obama +7.8</u>
<u>Intrade Market Odds</u>	<u>67.6</u>	<u>32.6</u>	-
Electoral College	Obama	McCain	Spread
<u>RCP Electoral Count</u>	<u>259</u>	<u>163</u>	<u>Obama +96</u>
<u>No Toss Up States</u>	<u>353</u>	<u>185</u>	<u>Obama +168</u>
Battleground States	Obama	McCain	Spread
<u>Colorado</u>	<u>50.0</u>	<u>45.0</u>	<u>Obama +5.0</u>

<u>Ohio</u>	<u>48.0</u>	<u>46.0</u>	<u>Obama +2.0</u>
<u>Florida</u>	<u>48.6</u>	<u>45.6</u>	<u>Obama +3.0</u>
<u>Pennsylvania</u>	<u>49.9</u>	<u>42.0</u>	<u>Obama +7.9</u>
<u>Missouri</u>	<u>46.8</u>	<u>48.5</u>	<u>McCain +1.7</u>
<u>Virginia</u>	<u>49.0</u>	<u>46.6</u>	<u>Obama +2.4</u>

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**Subject:** RE: Helping Main Street and Latest Presidential Polls

<< File: 20080925draftbill.pdf >> << File: 26stimulus.pdf >>

I have been intending to send updates on the latest polling, but it's probably good I got delayed since a bit of euphoria -noun Psychology.

a feeling of happiness, confidence, or well-being sometimes exaggerated in pathological states as mania.

- needed to die down. So, here are the latest polls in advance of the first debate (assuming it happens tonight).

Also, I've attached summaries of the "Helping Main Street" bills as an FYI.

## General Election: McCain vs. Obama

## Polling Data

Poll	Date	Sample	Obama (D)	McCain (R)	Spread
RCP Average	09/21 - 09/25	--	47.9	43.7	Obama +4.2
<u>Gallup Tracking</u>	09/23 - 09/25	2736 RV	48	45	Obama +3
<u>Rasmussen Tracking</u>	09/23 - 09/25	3000 LV	50	45	Obama +5
<u>Hotline/FD Tracking</u>	09/23 - 09/25	912 RV	49	42	Obama +7
<u>GW/Battleground Tracking</u>	09/21 - 09/25	1000 LV	46	48	McCain +2
<u>CBS News/NY Times</u>	09/21 - 09/24	LV	48	43	Obama +5
<u>FOX News</u>	09/22 - 09/23	900 RV	45	39	Obama +6
<u>Marist</u>	09/22 - 09/23	689 LV	49	44	Obama +5

## Obama vs. McCain (with Barr, Nader)

### Polling Data

Poll	Date	Sample	Obama (D)	McCain (R)	Nader (I)	Barr	Spread
RCP Average	09/19 - 09/22	--	47.8	43.0	3.3	1.3	Obama + 4.8
<u>NBC News/Wall St. Jrm</u>	09/19 - 09/22	1085 RV	44	42	5	2	Obama +2
<u>LA Times/Bloomberg</u>	09/19 - 09/22	838 LV	48	42	2	1	Obama +6
<u>ABC News/Wash Post</u>	09/19 - 09/22	780 LV	51	43	2	1	Obama +8
<u>CNN/Opinion Research</u>	09/19 - 09/21	697 LV	48	45	4	1	Obama +3

Election 2008	Obama	McCain	Spread
<u>RCP National Average</u>	<u>47.9</u>	<u>43.7</u>	<u>Obama +4.2</u>
<u>Favorable Ratings</u>	<u>+16.2</u>	<u>+13.1</u>	<u>Obama +3.1</u>
<u>Intrade Market Odds</u>	<u>56.8</u>	<u>42.2</u>	-
Electoral College	Obama	McCain	Spread

<u>RCP Electoral Count</u>	<u>228</u>	<u>163</u>	<u>Obama +65</u>
<u>No Toss Up States</u>	<u>286</u>	<u>252</u>	<u>Obama +34</u>
Battleground States	Obama	McCain	Spread
<u>Colorado</u>	<u>50.2</u>	<u>44.8</u>	<u>Obama +5.4</u>
<u>Ohio</u>	<u>45.1</u>	<u>46.3</u>	<u>McCain +1.2</u>
<u>Florida</u>	<u>46.0</u>	<u>47.6</u>	<u>McCain +1.6</u>
<u>Pennsylvania</u>	<u>47.5</u>	<u>44.0</u>	<u>Obama +3.5</u>
<u>Michigan</u>	<u>48.1</u>	<u>42.9</u>	<u>Obama +5.2</u>
<u>Virginia</u>	<u>46.8</u>	<u>46.5</u>	<u>Obama +0.3</u>

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**Subject:** RE: Connecting with Steve

are you calling him?

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**From:** Tony Williams [mailto:tony.williams@washington2advocates.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 06, 2008 9:31 AM  
**To:** Stauffer,Nicki - A-7  
**Subject:** Re: Connecting with Steve

Thank you!!!

Let's go with 11:30am PACIFIC tomorrow.

Thanks for getting me on the calendar!

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Stauffer,Nicki - A-7 <nmstauffer@bpa.gov>  
**To:** Tony Williams  
**Sent:** Mon Oct 06 09:27:03 2008  
**Subject:** RE: Connecting with Steve

Congratulations!

Windows available tomorrow: (all times Portland)  
8:30-9  
11:30-1  
4-5

any of these work? Wednesday is jammed and he's on the road Thurs-Fri

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**From:** Tony Williams [mailto:tony.williams@washington2advocates.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, October 05, 2008 7:14 PM  
**To:** Stauffer,Nicki - A-7  
**Cc:** Wright,Stephen J - A-7  
**Subject:** Connecting with Steve

Nicki - Steve and i need a "phone date" this week if possible. We bith have a bunch of isses to run thru.

I am on the road all week but can easily make time on Monday or Tuesday.

First, really cool news. Last week, the Senate confirmed my nomination to the Board of the National Council on Disabilities. Because of that, i'm in Kansas City on Monday and Tuesday for my first Board meeting and then it's on to DC late Tues night for a couple of days. Back to Seattle on Thurs night.

It would be easy for me step out of the Board meeting for a call with Steve.

Is there a good time for me to call him on those days?

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If not, are there some openings on his schedule for Weds and Thurs?

Friday is out for me because i'm at my OSU Board of Trustees meeting. What a nutty week.

All normal next week.

And i'm also curious to know what happened to Steve's Ducks on Sat night? Ha ha!

Talk to you this week!

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PS I'd like to also talk about a lunch date later this month.

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**From:** Liz Fortunato [liz.fortunato@washington2advocates.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 16, 2008 10:59 AM  
**To:** Liz Fortunato  
**Subject:** Tony's appointment to the National Council on Disability

Dear Clients –

As many of you know, Tony has been patiently awaiting his appointment to the National Council on Disability. Well it's final, and we wanted to share the news with you.

Thanks!

**NEWS RELEASE**  
**NCD #08-572**  
**October 16, 2008**  
**Contact: Mark S. Quigley**  
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*Clyde Hill Resident Tony J. Williams Appointed by President Bush to National Council on Disability*

*WASHINGTON—Tony J. Williams, of Clyde Hill, Washington, was appointed by President George W. Bush to serve as a member of the National Council on Disability (NCD) ([www.ncd.gov](http://www.ncd.gov) <<http://www.ncd.gov/>> ). The U.S. Senate confirmed Mr. Williams' nomination on October 2, 2008.*

*Mr. Williams is a founding partner and Chairman of Washington Advocates, a Northwest-based public affairs firm with offices in Bellevue and Washington, D.C. The firm represents a wide variety of Northwest companies and organizations, including Bonneville Power Administration, Weyerhaeuser Corporation, the University of Washington, Chelan County Public Utility District, Russell Investments, Trident Seafoods and Sound Transit.*

*Mr. Williams is a graduate of Oregon State University, where he received a degree in Technical Journalism, and is now on the OSU Foundation Board of Trustees.*

*Mr. Williams and his wife, Cindi, live in Clyde Hill, WA, with their sons, Joshua (a special needs student at Clyde Hill Elementary) and Jacob. Cindi works at the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation in Seattle. Tony and Cindi are both involved in a number of community-based charitable activities devoted to education improvements and providing opportunities for those with special needs and disabilities.*

*NCD is an independent federal agency and is composed of 15 members appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. It provides advice to the President, Congress, and executive branch agencies to promote policies, programs, practices, and procedures that guarantee equal opportunity for all individuals with*

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*disabilities, regardless of the nature or severity of the disability and to empower individuals with disabilities to achieve economic self-sufficiency, independent living, and inclusion and integration into all aspects of society.*

*For more information, please contact NCD's director of external affairs, Mark S. Quigley, at [mquigley@ncd.gov](mailto:mquigley@ncd.gov) <<mailto:mquigley@ncd.gov>> or by telephone at 202-272-2004.*

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**Subject:** Re: Seattle blog on Tony Williams

Don't tell anyone.....

-----Original Message-----

From: Wright,Stephen J - A-7 <sjwright@bpa.gov>  
To: Tony Williams  
Sent: Tue Oct 21 18:19:07 2008  
Subject: FW: Seattle blog on Tony Williams

Holy cow! Joel Connelly likes you? You've become the transformational leader.

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Sent: Tuesday, October 21, 2008 8:46 AM  
To: Wright,Stephen J - A-7  
Subject: Seattle blog on Tony Williams

FYI – Last week I saw the press release by the National Council on Disability, but this is a more personal and subjective take on Tony Williams' appointment. Thought it might be of interest. - Liz

<http://blog.seattlepi.nwsource.com/seattlepolitics/archives/152017.asp>  
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A Class Bush appointment

While some fellow Republicans aren't doing that well this fall, Clyde Hill-based public affairs consultant Tony Williams has reason to be of good cheer - plus a national challenge.

He is an Oregon State alumnus, and was in Reser Stadium to watch the Beavers upset the mighty University of Southern California (or "University of Spoiled Children" as John McCain calls his wife's alma mater).

And, Tony was recently nominated and confirmed by the Senate a member of the National Council on Disability. The author of this post had his differences with Williams when Tony was Sen. Slade Gorton's chief aide. A William memo during the 2000 Senate campaign singled out two scribes for denunciation, yours truly and Joni Balter of Seattle's duller daily. The memo was written up by Howard Kurtz, media critic for The Washington Post.

Tony has mellowed in the years since. He has built a portfolio of clients that includes the Bonneville Power Administration (in a big way), Weyerhaeuser, the University of Washington, and Sound Transit.

He has crossed party lines, joining the sponsors list of a Patty Murray fundraiser. He and wife Cindi have coauthored a cookbook (and solicited a jacket blurb from a once-exiled columnist).

And, the Williams have been blessed with two sons. Their oldest, Joshua, is a special needs student at Clyde Hill Elementary School. The couple are both involved in community-based activities designed to provide more opportunities for those with special needs and opportunities.

At the National Council on Disability, Williams will be part of a 15-member panel, appointed by the president, that advises the White House and Congress on policies and programs that guarantee equal opportunity to all individuals with disabilities.

Posted by Joel Connelly <<mailto:joelconnelly@seattlepi.com>> at October 20, 2008 6:44 p.m.  
Category: Republicans <<http://blog.seattlepi.nwsource.com/seattlepolitics/category.asp?blogID=37&category=1073>>

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**Subject:** RE: For the good of the order - Climate Change Bill Outlook

Hey all. I have been checking in periodically with a few Senate staffers on how the debate is going and whether we need to be worried about any specific issues. I'm hearing a resounding, "this is a big mess of nothing." Apparently today, Senator Boxer offered another substitute amendment that is slightly different from the original substitute bill (it's about 450 pages), and there is a reading of the bill on the floor.

I had gotten a little worried because on Tuesday I got a voicemail from Crapo's office about climate. Turns out that Crapo's office got a call from a reporter who was making an assumption that the bill provided benefits to the NW. Craig said that Crapo said his view was that hydro gets the short end of the stick in the current bill. Other than that, everyone has said that the debate is a waste of time and the bill is going nowhere.

Tony and W2A folks, are you still hearing the same? Thanks!

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**Cc:** Nina Collier; Christy Gullion; Liz Fortunato  
**Subject:** RE: For the good of the order - Climate Change Bill Outlook

Thanks! The motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed was agreed to tonight (74 ayes, 14 nays, 12 not voting (the three Presidential primary candidates not voting)). The current schedule indicates that tomorrow they will resume debate.

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**Cc:** Nina Collier; Christy Gullion; Liz Fortunato  
**Subject:** For the good of the order - Climate Change Bill Outlook

Steve, Sonya and Christy – I suspect that most of what I'm sending you here is what you already know, but since we're sending this email to our other clients who care about the climate change debate, I thought you two would like to see our thoughts, as well. My thoughts represent what I read in the press, what my friends on the Hill are telling me, and what my gut tells me from watching these kinds of debate for almost 15 years. I hope this information is useful to you all.

The Senate started debate this afternoon on the Boxer-Warner-Lieberman climate change debate. The Senate is expected tonight to vote on what is called the motion to proceed, which will allow the Senate to debate the full bill and any amendments to the bill. I'm told that the motion to proceed will pass by a large margin – perhaps unanimous, or close to it. From there, it looks like the Senate will move to other business before returning to the climate change debate on Wednesday. I am expecting the debate to last through the remainder of the week, and it could even extend into next week. Right now, the focus is on gathering up as many "yes" votes as possible in order to "invoke cloture" and end the "filibuster" on the bill. In the Senate, once cloture has been invoked, time limits can be set on the remaining debate so that amendments can be offered, and a time for a final vote can be scheduled. Without cloture, the bill can effectively be talked to death, or the Senate Leader can choose to remove the bill from the floor and proceed to other business (which is what happens all the time...the days of the Jimmy Stewart Hollywood-style filibuster that lasts for days and days rarely ever occur in modern times).

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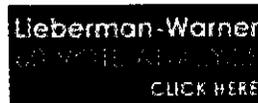
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Laura - Sonya is on travel to Wenatchee. She will not be back in the office until Thursday, March 27, 2008.

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Sheron: I did send you electronically all the Invoices, Statements of Work for Sonya's review.

Thank you!  
Laura

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Sent: Monday, March 17, 2008 2:36 PM  
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Along with the request, I have attached the initial correspondence to the requester, Authorizing Official's (AO) Instructions and the Fee Computation Sheet for Commercial-use Requesters.

<< File: 08-032Request.pdf >>      << File: 08-032.Correspondence.pdf >>      << File: Instructions for AO.doc >>      << File: FOIA commercial-Computal.doc >>

Thank you and have a good day!

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**Sent:** Monday, March 31, 2008 5:57 PM  
**To:** Jones,Sheron M - DKN-WASH  
**Subject:** RE: Washington2 Advocates Invoices

You mean for last month?

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**Sent:** Monday, March 31, 2008 2:56 PM  
**To:** Howard,Paula L - FBB-2  
**Subject:** RE: Washington2 Advocates Invoices

Okay, that's fine you can do it tomorrow, we just wanted to make sure we receive copies of the memorandums when they come in.

*Thanks*

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Paula - Can you please e-mail Sonya and I the incoming memorandum when you receive the Washington2 Advocates invoices?

*Thanks*

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**From:** Baskerville,Sonya L - DKN-WASH  
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**To:** Reller,Mark D - DKR-MSGL; Kuntz,Gail K - DKR-MSGL; Cogswell,Peter - DKR-7; Klumpp,Elizabeth C - DKR-WSGL; Williams,John J - DKR-BOISE; Hunt,Karen A - DKR-7; Brannon,Christy - DK-7; Hansen,Michael S - DKE-7; Mahar,Dulcy A - DKP-7; Heidmann,Eric R - DKC-7; Dexter,Nathan L - DKT-7; Marker,Douglas R - DKR-7; Jackson,Lamont - DKN-WASH; Jones,Latasha M - DKN-WASH; Jones,Sheron M - DKN-WASH; Seifert,Roger E - DKN-WASH; Tyer,Katherine M - DKN-WASH  
**Subject:** FW: Election Update Memo from Washington Advocates  
**Attachments:** W2A Election Update Oct 21 2008.pdf

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**Sent:** Tuesday, October 21, 2008 6:20 PM  
**To:** Liz Fortunato  
**Subject:** Election Update Memo from Washington Advocates

Clients and friends –

Attached you'll find another memo from Tony regarding the 2008 elections. Enjoy!

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**Sent:** Tuesday, March 25, 2008 12:51 PM  
**To:** 'Tony Williams'  
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**Subject:** RE: Tomorrow

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Christy – I'm wondering if I can participate in tomorrow's political landscape discussion by phone? I have been fighting a very bad cold/virus/ick/ for a week now, and just can't quite kill it. I'm worried that flying tomorrow will actually make things worse for me. Now, there is every chance I will wake up tomorrow feeling much better, and will just get on the plane anyway...but I'm worried that I still won't be in tip-top shape tomorrow, and that a flight will not be a good idea...so, I really want to come and participate, but I also don't want to take a step backwards on the health front...therefore, I'm wondering if I can do this by phone?

Sorry for being high maintenance!

Best,

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Sent: Wednesday, June 04, 2008 10:22 AM  
To: Baskerville, Sonya L - DKN-WASH  
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**Baskerville,Sonya L - DKN-WASH**

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**Sent:** Thursday, June 05, 2008 8:04 PM  
**To:** Baskerville,Sonya L - DKN-WASH; Nina Collier; Christy Gullion; Liz Fortunato; Wright,Stephen J - A-7; Brannon,Christy - DK-7; Hunt,Karen A - DKR-7; Schmidt,Janelle L - SR-7  
**Subject:** RE: For the good of the order - Climate Change Bill Outlook

As for tomorrow's vote, I've seen a vote count analysis from a pretty reliable source...49 yes and 43 no...two lean yes and the rest lean no...so it will definitely fail...the big question is whether the cloture vote gets less than 50... I'm sure the Majority Leader will lean hard on people in order to get 51 if at all possible.

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I understand that there is a cloture vote scheduled for tomorrow. I assume it fails and this all ends tomorrow, which frees up time for some of the Ds to attend other highly publicized events scheduled to occur here on Friday and Saturday!

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Yes, it's a major mess...and the Republicans are now hoping that the debate goes for a long, long time...hence, the reading of the bill....and I'm hearing lots and lots of grumbling amongst Democrats who can't believe that they are discussing legislation this year when everyone knows it's not going anywhere. I wouldn't be surprised if the whole exercise gets ended soon...I'm not expecting many votes, if any at all.

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**Subject:** RE: For the good of the order - Climate Change Bill Outlook

Hey all. I have been checking in periodically with a few Senate staffers on how the debate is going and whether we need to be worried about any specific issues. I'm hearing a resounding, "this is a big mess of nothing." Apparently today, Senator Boxer offered another substitute amendment that is slightly different from the original substitute bill (it's about 450 pages), and there is a reading of the bill on the floor.

I had gotten a little worried because on Tuesday I got a voicemail from Crapo's office about climate. Turns out that Crapo's office got a call from a reporter who was making an assumption that the bill provided benefits to the NW. Craig said that Crapo said his view was that hydro gets the short end of the stick in the current bill. Other than that, everyone has said that the debate is a waste of time and the bill is going nowhere.

Tony and W2A folks, are you still hearing the same? Thanks!

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**Sent:** Monday, June 02, 2008 7:56 PM

**To:** 'Tony Williams'; Wright,Stephen J - A-7; Brannon,Christy - DK-7

**Cc:** Nina Collier; Christy Gullion; Liz Fortunato

**Subject:** RE: For the good of the order - Climate Change Bill Outlook

Thanks! The motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed was agreed to tonight (74 ayes, 14 nays, 12 not voting (the three Presidential primary candidates not voting)). The current schedule indicates that tomorrow they will resume debate.

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**To:** Wright,Stephen J - A-7; Baskerville,Sonya L - DKN-WASH; Brannon,Christy - DK-7

**Cc:** Nina Collier; Christy Gullion; Liz Fortunato

**Subject:** For the good of the order - Climate Change Bill Outlook

Steve, Sonya and Christy – I suspect that most of what I'm sending you here is what you already know, but since we're sending this email to our other clients who care about the climate change debate, I thought you two would like to see our thoughts, as well. My thoughts represent what I read in the press, what my friends on the Hill are telling me, and what my gut tells me from watching these kinds of debate for almost 15 years. I hope this information is useful to you all.

The Senate started debate this afternoon on the Boxer-Warner-Lieberman climate change debate. The Senate is expected tonight to vote on what is called the motion to proceed, which will allow the Senate to debate the full bill and any amendments to the bill. I'm told that the motion to proceed will pass by a large margin – perhaps unanimous, or close to it. From there, it looks like the Senate will move to other business before returning to the

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climate change debate on Wednesday. I am expecting the debate to last through the remainder of the week, and it could even extend into next week. Right now, the focus is on gathering up as many "yes" votes as possible in order to "invoke cloture" and end the "filibuster" on the bill. In the Senate, once cloture has been invoked, time limits can be set on the remaining debate so that amendments can be offered, and a time for a final vote can be scheduled. Without cloture, the bill can effectively be talked to death, or the Senate Leader can choose to remove the bill from the floor and proceed to other business (which is what happens all the time...the days of the Jimmy Stewart Hollywood-style filibuster that lasts for days and days rarely ever occur in modern times).

Invoking cloture, and thus ending the filibuster, requires 60 yes votes. On this bill, there is no chance that cloture will be invoked. In fact, I'm told that Senate Majority Leader Reid is trying to figure out how many yes votes he has to invoke cloture, and that he is under 50 right now. My guess is that he will have a tough time finding 50 or more votes to invoke cloture – most of the Republicans will vote no, and there are a number of Democrats from coal states who are uneasy about voting to invoke cloture because they don't like the Boxer substitute. By voting yes to end the filibuster on the Boxer substitute, those Democrats open themselves up to arguments in their home states that they voted in favor of a bill that would hurt their states...yes, the vote is largely a procedural vote, but it is a very critical procedural vote, and many Senators have gotten into political trouble by voting yes to invoke cloture while being against the bill before them...so, given that dynamic, I'm expecting Senator Reid to have a tough sell in getting 50 votes for cloture, let alone the 60 he needs to end the filibuster. Also, all Senators know that this year's debate is merely a political exercise, so any fence-sitters are more likely to want to keep the talking going this year while the Presidential election is decided, and then bring the issue back up next year.

So, what does all that D.C.-gobbledy-gook (check your Roget's, it's in there) mean to BPA?

I'll cut to the chase now – there will be lots of talk about climate change this week. If there is a vote to end the filibuster and have real votes on the bill, it will fail. And there might not even be a vote to invoke cloture because supporters of the Boxer substitute do not want to see it get less than 50 votes, which is a very valid concern right now. In the end, I'm expecting a lot of talk and no action, which will effectively kick most of the debate and action to next year.

Still, this week marks the first week that our Senators will be truly focused on climate change, so it's a good thing that we've been sharing our thoughts with everyone about what we believe should be done on this important issue. Some initial positions will get hardened this week, which means we need to be engaged now so that the Northwest is in good position next year when the debate returns.

We'll be keeping a close eye on the floor debate as the week progresses, and will share our thoughts and insights on what it all means once the week has ended.

Best,

Tony

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It is a very cool position, and I'm excited to serve. I am filling a parent slot, and, if confirmed, will be serving with a number of very distinguished people...many of them disabled. In my position, I will get the opportunity to advocate on behalf the disabled community, which makes me feel very blessed indeed!

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Department of Energy  
Bonneville Power Administration

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REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: BPA - A-7

SUBJECT: Bonneville Power Administration Contract (Case File No. I04RS076)

to: John Vande Sand, Director, Eastern Inspection Region Office of Inspections and Special Inquiries

This responds to your May 12, 2005, memorandum to the Administrator concerning possible irregularities regarding a Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) contract (Case File No. I04RS076). The questions in your memorandum are essentially the same ones that BPA responded to on September 30, 2004.

The initial complaint addressed in September 2004 alleged that BPA paid Washington2 Advocates (W2A) about \$270,000 over a three-year period. The more recent complaint alleges that BPA paid W2A \$330,000 through May 2005. The total amount paid to the contractor has increased because of additional services rendered by W2A since September 2004.

The new complaint also alleges that regular business meetings between BPA's Vice President for National Relations and W2A occur at 5:30 a.m., and that BPA gets "no substantive work product" from W2A. The 5:30 a.m. reference is for the Pacific Time zone. The meetings occur in Washington, D.C., during normal business hours, at 8:30 a.m. Eastern Time.

As for the allegation that BPA receives no substantive work product from W2A, BPA's response in September 2004 remains correct and applicable:

The contractor, Washington2 Advocates, assists and supports BPA's Vice President for National Relations in his duties as the liaison between Bonneville and the Department of Energy, other Executive Branch agencies and the Congress. The contractor's duties include providing advice and information to the BPA Administrator and the V.P. for National Relations, as well as assisting BPA in providing information on BPA policies, decisions, and actions to interested Members of Congress and their staffs, and to various Executive officers and their agencies' staffs. Much of the communication between the contractor and BPA personnel - primarily the V.P. for National Relations - takes place in weekly meetings described in the contract's statement of work, in other face-to-face meetings as necessary, and over the telephone.

Finally, the current complaint alleges that BPA staff improperly destroyed e-mails related to this contract. As BPA stated in its September 2004 response, e-mail messages, except those that constitute records that must be preserved under the BPA Records Manual, Chapter 810 (see attachment), are routinely deleted from the BPA system pursuant to BPA Manual Chapter 1111, Section 5:

If the content of an e-mail message possesses longer-term business value, employees are required to move the document from the e-mail system for storage elsewhere. The maximum period for retaining all BPA e-mail is 90 days from the date of receipt. All e-mail will be automatically purged upon the expiration of this retention period. Some e-mail messages may constitute Official Records. Specific guidance and definitions of Official Records and working papers are provided in the BPA Records Manual.

Thus, as noted in the September 2004 response, it is not surprising that e-mail messages between BPA and W2A no longer exist, given that they were routine nature, and there was nothing in them substantively worth saving.

Please let me know if I can be of further assistance to you in this matter.

Sincerely,

Stephen J. Wright  
Administrator and Chief Executive Officer

cc:

Bruce Carnes – S2

Kevin Kolevar – OE-1

David Hill – GC-70

Les Novitsky – S2

**Baskerville,Sonya L - DKN-WASH**

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**From:** Tony Williams [tony.williams@washington2advocates.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 25, 2008 6:54 PM  
**To:** Brannon,Christy - DK-7; Baskerville,Sonya L - DKN-WASH  
**Subject:** RE: FOIA Document

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**Sent:** Wednesday, June 25, 2008 6:50 PM  
**To:** Tony Williams; Baskerville,Sonya L - DKN-WASH  
**Subject:** FW: FOIA Document

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**From:** Scruggs,Joel L - DKC-7  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 25, 2008 2:57 PM  
**To:** Brannon,Christy - DK-7  
**Cc:** Atterbury,Laura M - DK-7  
**Subject:** FOIA Document

Christy,

Here's a memo Laura wanted you to see ...

**Joel Scruggs**  
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**Baskerville,Sonya L - DKN-WASH**

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**From:** Brannon,Christy - DK-7  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 25, 2008 7:02 PM  
**To:** 'Tony Williams'; Baskerville,Sonya L - DKN-WASH  
**Subject:** RE: FOIA Document

we don't seem to have an incoming. let me know if there is anything else you need that I might have

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**Baskerville, Sonya L - DKN-WASH**

**From:** Tony Williams [tony.williams@washington2advocates.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, August 01, 2008 7:04 PM  
**To:** jeff\_bjomstad@murray.senate.gov; Christy Gullion; Burg, Paula (Murray); Glynda Becker; Easton, John (Gordon Smith); Shields, Mike; Partoyan, Connie; Josh Mathis; Baskerville, Sonya L - DKN-WASH; Christopher Yetter; j\_rubie@yahoo.com; Kardon, Josh (Wyden); Trinca, Jeff; Brock, Heidi; Naasz, Kraig R.; TJ Petrizzo  
**Subject:** FW: Job announcement: Do you know anyone interested?

Friends – this is a great opportunity for someone to do good things for the disability community...federal government position doing legislative affairs for the National Council on Disability. I have gotten to know the Council Exec Director well in the last few months, and he's a great guy. The Council has a broad scope, but most of the work, as you can imagine, is focused on issues that create more access and more opportunity for people with disabilities. I have been nominated by the President to serve on the Council, and hope to be confirmed by the Senate (but I'm not holding my breath...Senate friends, I couldn't resist the dig)....i've gotten to know the organization, and I think a real go-getter with a big heart would love this job. Please pass this job posting far and wide.

Best,

Tony

**From:** Michael C. Collins [mailto:MCollins@ncd.gov]  
**Sent:** Friday, August 01, 2008 5:53 PM  
**Subject:** Job announcement: Do you know anyone interested?

**For those of you who have been waiting patiently for NCD to fill its vacancy for a LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS SPECIALIST your patience has been rewarded. The following job announcement has been posted on the USAjobs.gov website, and can be accessed directly by going to the link at the bottom of this message. Please forward to any qualified individuals who might be interested in working for NCD in a challenging yet rewarding position, and please advise everyone to follow the directions in the job announcement when applying for this vacancy. There is a relatively short window of opportunity for submitting application packets, so if you are interested I hope you will begin working on it this weekend.**

**Agency:** National Council on Disability  
**Job Announcement Number:** NCD-PROG-0801

**Legislative Affairs Specialist**

<b>Salary Range:</b> 98033 to 127442 USD Per Year	<b>Open Period:</b> 8/1/2008 to 8/14/2008
<b>Series &amp; Grade:</b> GS-0301-14	<b>Position Information:</b> Full-Time Permanent
<b>Promotion Potential:</b> 14	<b>Duty Location:</b> 1 vacancy - Washington DC Metro Area, DC

**Who May Be Considered:**

Applications will be accepted from current and former competitive service Federal employees, and people eligible under special hiring authorities, especially Schedule A due to disability.

**Job Summary:**

The National Council on Disability (NCD) is a 15-member body appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate. Established by the Vocational Rehabilitation Act as amended in 1978, the NCD became an independent Federal agency with additional responsibilities on enactment of the Rehabilitation Act Amendments of 1984, PL 98-221, on February 22, 1984. The incumbent serves as the Legislative Affairs Specialist for the National Council on Disability (NCD) at the direction of the Council through the executive director, and directs and coordinates legislative liaison activities in conjunction with the executive director. He/she recommends and participates in strategic planning; implements NCD legislative affairs programs such as drafting issue briefs; legislative research and analysis; drafts and/or tracks legislation; participates in or monitors congressional hearings; attends congressional staff briefings; and presents periodic reports on legislation and other NCD legislative initiatives to the Council.

**Key Requirements:**

Background and/or Security Investigation required.

**Major Duties:**

Duties and responsibilities include but are not limited to the following:

Review laws, programs and policies concerning individuals with disabilities.

Advise and assist in the development, administration, coordination and execution of the plans, policies and procedures.

Participate in rulemaking and other activities in partnership with other agencies.

Possesses a broad knowledge of, and serves as a key communicator of, NCD policies and programs and is a link between NCD, Congress and other federal agencies.

**Qualifications:**

You must have one year of specialized experience at a level close to the work of this job that has given you the particular knowledge, skills, and abilities required to successfully perform. Typically, we would find this experience in work within this field or a field that is closely related.

You must be a U.S. citizen to qualify for this position.

Applicants with who seek consideration under Schedule A must provide documentation stating that the applicant may apply for non-competitive appointment through the Schedule A (5 C.F.R. 213.3102(u)) hiring authority. (<https://www.opm.gov/disability/PeopleWithDisabilities.asp>)

You will need to successfully complete a background security investigation before you can be appointed into this position.

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You will be required to do some travel.

**How Will You Be Evaluated:**

You will be evaluated to determine if you meet the minimum qualifications required; and on the extent to which your application shows that you possess the knowledge, skills and abilities associated with this position as defined below. When describing your knowledge, skills, and abilities, please be sure to give examples and explain how often you used these skills, the complexity of the knowledge you possess, the level of the people you interacted with, the sensitivity of the issues you handled, etc.

Expert knowledge of disability laws including, but not limited to, the Americans with Disabilities Act, Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Improvement Act, Workforce Investment Act (Rehabilitation Act), Fair Housing Act, Development Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act, Air Carrier Access Act, Social Security Act, and other relevant disability laws or regulations; extensive knowledge of the broad variety of agencies, organizations and programs that serve people with all types of disabilities.

Ability to plan, direct, coordinate and guide legislative-related projects in collaboration with Council members and other NCD staff, and to implement liaison programs.

Extensive knowledge of the legislative process; employment as legislative staff or liaison at the state or federal levels is preferred. Demonstrated experience in using a variety of tools and methods needed for the position

Ability to effectively represent the Council's policies, programs and positions on issues to congressional committees, staff members and federal agency officials and staff.

Comprehensive knowledge of NCD's history, organization, function, legislative and administrative procedures, as well as regulations, laws or pending legislation impacting people with disabilities.

Ability to respond to routine and complex constituent correspondence referred by the White House and Members of Congress; editing written materials; dissemination of information utilizing multiple media; conducting briefings; arranging meetings with elected officials and staff; researching and tracking legislation; and drafting legislation.

**Benefits:**

You may participate in the Federal Employees Health Benefits program, with costs shared with your employer. More info: <http://www.usajobs.gov/jobextrainfo.asp#FEHB>.

Life insurance coverage is provided. More info: <http://www.usajobs.gov/jobextrainfo.asp#life>

New employees are automatically covered by the Federal Employees Retirement System (FERS). If you are transferring from another agency and covered by CSRS, you may continue in this program. More info: <http://www.usajobs.gov/jobextrainfo.asp#retr>

You will earn annual vacation leave. More info: <http://www.usajobs.gov/jobextrainfo.asp#VACA>

You will earn sick leave. More info: <http://www.usajobs.gov/jobextrainfo.asp#SKLV>

You will be paid for federal holidays that fall within your regularly scheduled tour of duty. More info: <http://www.usajobs.gov/jobextrainfo.asp#HOLI>

**Other Information:**

You must submit all required information by the closing date. If materials are not received, your application will be evaluated solely on the information available and you may not receive full consideration or may not be considered eligible.

The materials you send with your application will not be returned.

**How to Apply:**

You must submit your application so that it will be received by 3:00 PM EST the closing date of the announcement.

Although we do not require a specific resume format, certain information is required to determine if you are qualified.

If you are eligible for consideration under a special hiring authority (as identified under Who May Apply), please indicate this consideration in the cover letter sent with your resume.

Submit a narrative statement responding to the knowledge, skills and abilities (KSAs) identified in the announcement. This information will be used to determine your eligibility and/or rating and is required.

**Contact Information:**

Lisa Grubb  
Phone: 202-272-2004  
Fax: 202-272-2022  
TDD: 202-272-2074  
Internet: [ncd@ncd.gov](mailto:ncd@ncd.gov)

Or Write:  
National Council on Disability  
1331 F Street NW  
Suite 850  
Washington DC 20004  
ATTN: Michael Collins, Executive Director

**What to Expect Next:**

Once your complete application is received, we will conduct an evaluation of your qualifications and determine your ranking. The most highly qualified candidates will receive further consideration and possible interview. We expect to make a selection within 30 days of the closing date of this announcement.

The United States Government does not discriminate in employment on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, political affiliation, sexual orientation, marital status, disability, age, membership in an employee organization, or other non-merit factor.

Federal agencies must provide reasonable accommodation to applicants with disabilities where appropriate. Applicants requiring reasonable accommodation for any part of the application and hiring process should contact the hiring agency directly. Determinations on requests for reasonable accommodation will be

made on a case-by-case basis.

**Veterans Information:**

Veterans who served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces and were separated under honorable conditions may be eligible for veterans' preference. For service beginning after October 15, 1976, the veteran must have served the required length of time and have a Campaign Badge, Expeditionary Medal, a service-connected disability, or have served in the Gulf War between August 2, 1990, and January 2, 1992.

The Veterans Employment Opportunity Act (VEOA) gives veterans access to job vacancies that might otherwise be closed to them. The law allows eligible veterans to compete for vacancies advertised under agency's promotion procedures when the agency is seeking applications from outside of its own workforce.

To claim veterans' preference, veterans should be ready to provide a copy of their DD-214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty, or other proof. Veterans with service connected disability and others claiming 10 point preference will need to submit Form SF-15, Application for 10-point Veterans' Preference.

For more specifics on all veterans employment issues such as Veterans preference or special appointing authorities see the VetGuide.

**Legal and Regulatory Guidance:**

**Social Security Number** - Your Social Security Number is requested under the authority of Executive Order 9397 to uniquely identify your records from those of other applicants who may have the same name. As allowed by law or Presidential directive, your Social Security Number is used to seek information about you from employers, schools, banks, and others who may know you. Failure to provide your Social Security Number on your application materials, will result in your application not being processed.

**Privacy Act - Privacy Act Notice (PL 93-579):** The information requested here is used to determine qualifications for employment and is authorized under Title 5 U.S.C. 3302 and 3361.

**Signature** - Before you are hired, you will be required to sign and certify the accuracy of the information in your application.

**False Statements** - If you make a false statement in any part of your application, you may not be hired; you may be fired after you begin work; or you may be subject to fine, imprisonment, or other disciplinary action.

**Selective Service** - If you are a male applicant born after December 31, 1959, you must certify that you have registered with the Selective Service System, or are exempt from having to do so under the Selective Service Law.

**Mike Collins**  
**Executive Director**  
**National Council on Disability**  
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**From:** Lisa Grubb  
**Sent:** Friday, August 01, 2008 4:56 PM  
**To:** Michael C. Collins  
**Subject:** Legislative Affairs Specialist Vacancy Notice NCD-PROG-0801

**Legislative Affairs Specialist Vacancy Announcement -**

**USAJOBS:** (<http://jobsearch.usajobs.gov/getjob.asp?JobID=74451143&AVSDM=2008%2D08%2D01+14%3A45%3A19&Logo=0&sort=rv&vw=d&brd=3876&ss=0&customapplicant=15513,15514,15515,15669,15523,15512,15516,45575&q=national+council+on>)

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## Baskerville, Sonya L - DKN-WASH

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**From:** Liz Fortunato [liz.fortunato@washington2advocates.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 16, 2008 1:59 PM  
**To:** Liz Fortunato  
**Subject:** Tony's appointment to the National Council on Disability

Dear Clients –

As many of you know, Tony has been patiently awaiting his appointment to the National Council on Disability. Well it's final, and we wanted to share the news with you.

Thanks!

**NEWS RELEASE**  
NCD #08-572  
October 16, 2008  
Contact: Mark S. Quigley  
202-272-2004

*Clyde Hill Resident Tony J. Williams Appointed by President Bush to National Council on Disability*

**WASHINGTON**—Tony J. Williams, of Clyde Hill, Washington, was appointed by President George W. Bush to serve as a member of the National Council on Disability (NCD) ([www.ncd.gov](http://www.ncd.gov) <<http://www.ncd.gov/>> ). The U.S. Senate confirmed Mr. Williams' nomination on October 2, 2008.

*Mr. Williams is a founding partner and Chairman of Washington Advocates, a Northwest-based public affairs firm with offices in Bellevue and Washington, D.C. The firm represents a wide variety of Northwest companies and organizations, including Bonneville Power Administration, Weyerhaeuser Corporation, the University of Washington, Chelan County Public Utility District, Russell Investments, Trident Seafoods and Sound Transit.*

*Mr. Williams is a graduate of Oregon State University, where he received a degree in Technical Journalism, and is now on the OSU Foundation Board of Trustees.*

*Mr. Williams and his wife, Cindi, live in Clyde Hill, WA, with their sons, Joshua (a special needs student at Clyde Hill Elementary) and Jacob. Cindi works at the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation in Seattle. Tony and Cindi are both involved in a number of community-based charitable activities devoted to education improvements and providing opportunities for those with special needs and disabilities.*

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*individuals with disabilities, regardless of the nature or severity of the disability and to empower individuals with disabilities to achieve economic self-sufficiency, independent living, and inclusion and integration into all aspects of society.*

*For more information, please contact NCD's director of external affairs, Mark S. Quigley, at [mquigley@ncd.gov](mailto:mquigley@ncd.gov) <<mailto:mquigley@ncd.gov>> or by telephone at 202-272-2004.*

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## **Baskerville, Sonya L - DKN-WASH**

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**From:** Klumpp, Elizabeth C - DKR-WSGL  
**Sent:** Friday, October 17, 2008 6:40 PM  
**To:** Brannon, Christy - DK-7; Hunt, Karen A - DKR-7; Baskerville, Sonya L - DKN-WASH; Marker, Douglas R - DKR-7  
**Subject:** Tony Williams appointment

FYI - This popped up in my automatic google search for BPA. He and his wife are active in the special needs community. - Liz

### **Clyde Hill Resident Tony J. Williams Appointed by President Bush to National Council on Disability**

Last update: 8:45 a.m. EDT Oct. 16, 2008

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SOURCE National Council on Disability

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**Baskerville, Sonya L - DKN-WASH**

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**From:** Baskerville, Sonya L - DKN-WASH  
**Sent:** Monday, June 02, 2008 7:57 PM  
**To:** Schmidt, Janelle L - SR-7  
**Subject:** FW: For the good of the order - Climate Change Bill Outlook

FYI.

**Sonya Baskerville**

Manager, National Relations Office  
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**From:** Baskerville, Sonya L - DKN-WASH  
**Sent:** Monday, June 02, 2008 7:56 PM  
**To:** 'Tony Williams'; Wright, Stephen J - A-7; Brannon, Christy - DK-7  
**Cc:** Nina Collier; Christy Gullion; Liz Fortunato  
**Subject:** RE: For the good of the order - Climate Change Bill Outlook

Thanks! The motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed was agreed to tonight (74 ayes, 14 nays, 12 not voting (the three Presidential primary candidates not voting)). The current schedule indicates that tomorrow they will resume debate.

**Sonya Baskerville**

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**Cc:** Nina Collier; Christy Gullion; Liz Fortunato  
**Subject:** For the good of the order - Climate Change Bill Outlook

Steve, Sonya and Christy – I suspect that most of what I'm sending you here is what you already know, but since we're sending this email to our other clients who care about the climate change debate, I thought you two would like to see our thoughts, as well. My thoughts represent what I read in the press, what my friends on the Hill are telling me, and what my gut tells me from watching these kinds of debate for almost 15 years. I hope this information is useful to you all.

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The Senate started debate this afternoon on the Boxer-Warner-Lieberman climate change debate. The Senate is expected tonight to vote on what is called the motion to proceed, which will allow the Senate to debate the full bill and any amendments to the bill. I'm told that the motion to proceed will pass by a large margin – perhaps unanimous, or close to it. From there, it looks like the Senate will move to other business before returning to the climate change debate on Wednesday. I am expecting the debate to last through the remainder of the week, and it could even extend into next week. Right now, the focus is on gathering up as many “yes” votes as possible in order to “invoke cloture” and end the “filibuster” on the bill. In the Senate, once cloture has been invoked, time limits can be set on the remaining debate so that amendments can be offered, and a time for a final vote can be scheduled. Without cloture, the bill can effectively be talked to death, or the Senate Leader can choose to remove the bill from the floor and proceed to other business (which is what happens all the time...the days of the Jimmy Stewart Hollywood-style filibuster that lasts for days and days rarely ever occur in modern times).

Invoking cloture, and thus ending the filibuster, requires 60 yes votes. On this bill, there is no chance that cloture will be invoked. In fact, I'm told that Senate Majority Leader Reid is trying to figure out how many yes votes he has to invoke cloture, and that he is under 50 right now. My guess is that he will have a tough time finding 50 or more votes to invoke cloture – most of the Republicans will vote no, and there are a number of Democrats from coal states who are uneasy about voting to invoke cloture because they don't like the Boxer substitute. By voting yes to end the filibuster on the Boxer substitute, those Democrats open themselves up to arguments in their home states that they voted in favor of a bill that would hurt their states...yes, the vote is largely a procedural vote, but it is a very critical procedural vote, and many Senators have gotten into political trouble by voting yes to invoke cloture while being against the bill before them...so, given that dynamic, I'm expecting Senator Reid to have a tough sell in getting 50 votes for cloture, let alone the 60 he needs to end the filibuster. Also, all Senators know that this year's debate is merely a political exercise, so any fence-sitters are more likely to want to keep the talking going this year while the Presidential election is decided, and then bring the issue back up next year.

So, what does all that D.C.-gobbledy-gook (check your Roget's, it's in there) mean to BPA?

I'll cut to the chase now – there will be lots of talk about climate change this week. If there is a vote to end the filibuster and have real votes on the bill, it will fail. And there might not even be a vote to invoke cloture because supporters of the Boxer substitute do not want to see it get less than 50 votes, which is a very valid concern right now. In the end, I'm expecting a lot of talk and no action, which will effectively kick most of the debate and action to next year.

Still, this week marks the first week that our Senators will be truly focused on climate change, so it's a good thing that we've been sharing our thoughts with everyone about what we believe should be done on this important issue. Some initial positions will get hardened this week, which means we need to be engaged now so that the Northwest is in good position next year when the debate returns.

We'll be keeping a close eye on the floor debate as the week progresses, and will share our thoughts and insights on what it all means once the week has ended.

Best,

Tony

**Baskerville, Sonya L - DKN-WASH**

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**From:** Baskerville, Sonya L - DKN-WASH  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 05, 2008 5:28 PM  
**To:** 'Tony Williams'  
**Subject:** RE: no BPA specific stuff I've seen

Yep, I'm here those days. Steve is testifying at a hearing before SENR on the 17th. The 11th looks really open right now. The only times I'm booked are 2:00-3:00 and 4:30-5:30.

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Most of you probably have heard that the thing died this morning - not enough votes to end debate as expected. Three votes shy of 51 yeas. Brown, Dorgan, Landrieu, and Johnson (Democrats) voted against invoking cloture. Biden, Byrd, Clinton, Conrad, Kennedy, and Obama did not vote.

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## Vote Summary

**Question:** On the Cloture Motion (Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Boxer Amdt. No. 4825 )**Vote Number:** 145 **Vote Date:** June 6, 2008, 09:03 AM**Required For Majority:** 3/5 **Vote Result:** Cloture Motion Rejected**Amendment Number:** S.Amdt. 4825 to S. 3036 (Lieberman-Warner Climate Security Act of 2008)**Statement of Purpose:** In the nature of a substitute.

<b>Vote Counts:</b>	YEAs	48
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As for tomorrow's vote, I've seen a vote count analysis from a pretty reliable source...49 yes and 43 no...two lean yes and the rest lean no...so it will definitely fail...the big question is whether the cloture vote gets less than 50... I'm sure the Majority Leader will lean hard on people in order to get 51 if at all possible.

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I understand that there is a cloture vote scheduled for tomorrow. I assume it fails and this all ends tomorrow, which frees up time for some of the Ds to attend other highly publicized events scheduled to occur here on Friday and Saturday!

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The Senate started debate this afternoon on the Boxer-Warner-Lieberman climate change debate. The Senate is expected tonight to vote on what is called the motion to proceed, which will allow the Senate to debate the full bill and any amendments to the bill. I'm told that the motion to proceed will pass by a large margin – perhaps unanimous, or close to it. From there, it looks like the Senate will move to other business before returning to the climate change debate on Wednesday. I am expecting the debate to last through the remainder of the week, and it could even extend into next week. Right now, the focus is on gathering up as many "yes" votes as possible in order to "invoke cloture" and end the "filibuster" on the bill. In the Senate, once cloture has been invoked, time limits can be set on the remaining debate so that amendments can be offered, and a time for a final vote can be scheduled. Without cloture, the bill can effectively be talked to death, or the Senate Leader can choose to remove the bill from the floor and proceed to other business (which is what happens all the time...the days of the Jimmy Stewart Hollywood-style filibuster that lasts for days and days rarely ever occur in modern times).

Invoking cloture, and thus ending the filibuster, requires 60 yes votes. On this bill, there is no chance that cloture will be invoked. In fact, I'm told that Senate Majority Leader Reid is trying to figure out how many yes votes he has to invoke cloture, and that he is under 50 right now. My guess is that he will have a tough time finding 50 or more votes to invoke cloture – most of the Republicans will vote no, and there are a number of Democrats from

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coal states who are uneasy about voting to invoke cloture because they don't like the Boxer substitute. By voting yes to end the filibuster on the Boxer substitute, those Democrats open themselves up to arguments in their home states that they voted in favor of a bill that would hurt their states...yes, the vote is largely a procedural vote, but it is a very critical procedural vote, and many Senators have gotten into political trouble by voting yes to invoke cloture while being against the bill before them...so, given that dynamic, I'm expecting Senator Reid to have a tough sell in getting 50 votes for cloture, let alone the 60 he needs to end the filibuster. Also, all Senators know that this year's debate is merely a political exercise, so any fence-sitters are more likely to want to keep the talking going this year while the Presidential election is decided, and then bring the issue back up next year.

So, what does all that D.C.-gobbledy-gook (check your Roget's, it's in there) mean to BPA?

I'll cut to the chase now – there will be lots of talk about climate change this week. If there is a vote to end the filibuster and have real votes on the bill, it will fail. And there might not even be a vote to invoke cloture because supporters of the Boxer substitute do not want to see it get less than 50 votes, which is a very valid concern right now. In the end, I'm expecting a lot of talk and no action, which will effectively kick most of the debate and action to next year.

Still, this week marks the first week that our Senators will be truly focused on climate change, so it's a good thing that we've been sharing our thoughts with everyone about what we believe should be done on this important issue. Some initial positions will get hardened this week, which means we need to be engaged now so that the Northwest is in good position next year when the debate returns.

We'll be keeping a close eye on the floor debate as the week progresses, and will share our thoughts and insights on what it all means once the week has ended.

Best,

Tony

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**Attachments:** #08-0098 Ltr fm Sea Breeze re Juan de Fuca EIS & ROD.pdf

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Here's Letter from Paul Manson (Sea Breeze Pacific) re Juan de Fuca EIS & ROD

It's been marked APPROPRIATE ACTION to T/Ditt2, with copies to others -

All others, please make your own copies from attached PDF file

Thanks!

Ann Yoakum



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RECEIVED BY BPA ADMINISTRATOR'S OFC-LOG #: 08.0098
RECEIPT DATE: 8.05.08
DUE DATE: APP ACTION

Dear Administrator Wright;

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**APP ACTION: T/Ditt2**  
**cc: FO3, DKN/Wash, L-7, KE/KEW-4, P-6, PG-5,**  
**PGF-6, TP-Ditt2, TS/Ditt2**

As the responsible authority for executing the EIS Record of Decision as well as concurring in the issuance of its Presidential Permit, you are aware that the Juan de Fuca Cable Project (JdF) has attained significant milestones as the first independent transmission initiative to achieve such international recognition and acceptance.

We want you to know that the sponsors of this project appreciate the objectivity and cooperation exercised by Bonneville Power Administration's management and staff in the pioneering effort to incorporate market-based transmission planning and impact assessment into a nascent planning and regulatory structure unused to such public/private interaction.

Now that the Juan de Fuca Cable Project has completed its obligatory interconnection, reliability and environmental impact assessments with BPA, and has been determined to be a conditionally compatible addition to the Federal Columbia River Power System, we respectfully suggest that it is appropriate to convene a policy-level meeting with you and BPA's executives responsible for transmission planning/operation, energy supply and trading to address the economic and political ramifications of incorporating a new, non-governmental, international transmission interconnection into the energy infrastructure of the Pacific Northwest.

Given Bonneville's own ongoing initiatives to improve reliability on the Olympic Peninsula, expand system capacity, relieve congestion, expand access to renewable generation sources, satisfy core constituency growth demand and address FERC's recent exhortation to augment its intertie capacity, we believe an interdepartmental discussion of the potential of the JdF project to contribute to the resolution of these objectives would be helpful to both you and us in determining how we may best interact.

We'd also like to apprise you that, as part of the JdF interconnection process with BCTC, consultants have studied the impact of the JdF project on the reliability of the BCTC Vancouver Island network and determined that it would significantly improve the

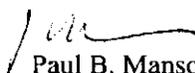
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If you agree that a policy-level discussion of the potential role of the Juan de Fuca Cable Project in meeting BPA's reliability/expansion plans is presently appropriate, we'd be pleased to work out the details of an exploratory meeting with your designated representative(s).

Sincerely,

***Sea Breeze Pacific Juan de Fuca Cable, LP***

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Here are a couple of articles about the new bill and the debate delay caused by the clerk having to read out load all 492 pages!

### CLIMATE: Sponsors of Senate emissions plan revise bill as foes prep amendments (06/04/2008)

**Darren Samuelsohn, Greenwire senior reporter**

Senate floor debate on global warming legislation shifts into second gear this afternoon with sponsors offering a new 492-page version of their bill and opponents preparing a batch of amendments.

The sponsors -- Sens. Barbara Boxer (D-Calif.), Joe Lieberman (I-Conn.) and John Warner (R-Va.) -- have prepared another substitute amendment of their climate proposal that an aide said makes "tiny textual changes" in response to the Congressional Budget Office.



Among the changes is language clarifying that border taxes collected on carbon-intensive goods from China and India would be subject to the annual congressional appropriations process. The new bill also would bring appropriators in to divvy up funds from the cap-and-trade bill after 2047.



In an apparent bow to Ohio Democrat Sherrod Brown, a fence sitter on the legislation, Boxer added language creating a new clean-energy industry institute in Toledo, Ohio.

Floor action is expected to turn from preliminaries to actual debate on amendments later today -- though an agreement has yet to take shape among party leaders on whether and when there will be any votes on substantive changes to the bill.

First up are proposals to nudge U.S. diplomats to take a larger role in international climate negotiations and to expand career training for nuclear power engineers.

Controversial amendments are sure to follow as Republican leaders press for a lengthy debate on climate and force difficult votes for Democrats over gas prices. Sen. James Inhofe (R-Okla.) also raised complaints over the process, saying proponents are asking senators to view and write amendments on a bill they have not had time to thoroughly review.

At a press conference, Sen. Bob Corker (R-Tenn.) said he hoped Democratic leaders would keep the bill on the floor for the entire month. But he also said he doubted sponsors could muster a simple majority on the bill.

"This bill is going to die on the floor, as it should," Corker said. "And we'll have a real debate next year."

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-Nev.) said he plans to give the climate bill floor time through next week.

[Click here](#) to read the substitute amendment.

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McCain takes hope in all of the variations in the national polls, and he's holding on in several states that have traditionally gone Republican. If he can come back late, and win a number of those Republican states, he could possibly win the election. But again, that's an uphill battle.

As I said last week, my counsel remains the same – if you're an Obama supporter, start making plans to be in D.C. for a January inauguration, but don't book your ticket just yet. As you can see, the numbers swing wildly week by week. I must admit, this is one of the craziest and most unpredictable presidential races I've ever followed.

### **The Race for Congress – Democrats have strong upper hand**

A few weeks ago, it appeared that Republicans had a decent shot of limiting their losses in the Senate to three or four seats, and to 12 to 15 seats in the House. Today, the playing field is much stronger for Democrats – so strong, in fact, that it's not inconceivable that the Democrats could reach the magic 60 number in the Senate, which would allow them to stop debate on any bill, and move to final passage whenever they want. In the House, it looks like the Democrats could gain as many as 20 to 25 seats which would boost their overall numbers to well above 250.

So, what has happened to boost the Democrats prospects so dramatically in the last few weeks?

To quote James Carville, it's the economy, stupid. Even though the seeds of this economic nightmare were planted by politicians of both parties, the Republicans are taking the brunt of the blame for the current crisis. Suddenly, Republican senators in formerly safe states such as Kentucky, Georgia and Mississippi find themselves in tough races.

Now, it remains to be seen whether the South is going to turn its back on the Republican Party, but if there are changes in how the South votes for Congress, you could see Republican senators and representatives defeated in a number of states. For now, polling is all over the map in these states, but at this point, it appears possible that Republican losses could be much bigger than earlier imagined.

As for here in the Northwest, Rep. Dave Reichert (R-WA, 8<sup>th</sup> CD) and Sen. Gordon Smith (R-Oregon) are locked in tough and tight battles for re-election. Reichert appears to be in stronger shape than Smith – a public poll last week had him leading his opponent, Darcy Burner, by 49-41, but many predict this race is much closer. In Oregon, one public poll last week had Smith tied with his opponent, Jeff Merkley, at 47-47, and another had him down 46-41.

My sources on both sides tell me that the 47-47 number is closer to the truth than the one with Smith down five points, but it is clear that Smith has an uphill battle to keep his seat. He did receive a boost over the weekend when the state's largest newspaper, *The Oregonian*, endorsed his bid for re-election. Reichert has also fared well in the newspaper endorsement battle – he has received the endorsement of every major newspaper in his district, including the *Seattle P-I*, *The Seattle Times* and *The News Tribune* (Tacoma).

### **Washington Governor – is this Dino's year?**

Because Obama is a guaranteed winner in Washington state, the most watched and discussed race here is for governor, which remains super tight. A public poll last week had Governor Gregoire at 48 and her opponent, Dino Rossi, at 47. As you've heard me say several times this year, an incumbent under 50 is in serious trouble because undecided voters generally break for challengers by a 2 to 1 margin.

As I cautioned about Obama, this race is certainly Governor Gregoire's to lose – and right now, the momentum seems to be with Rossi. He and his third-party supporters will spend more money than the Governor and her third-party supporters between now and Election Day, and

while Rossi supporters sense impending victory, the Governor's team is worried and sending anxious messages to her supporters. Also, my sources on the Democratic side tell me repeatedly that they're nervous about the Governor's chances. So one camp is excited, and the other is very nervous. While this is certainly not a litmus test on election results, it does reflect the overall mood of the two campaigns.

In the newspaper endorsement battle, the Governor has the majority of the Puget Sound dailies, while Rossi has fared well in other areas of the state. The most notable endorsement came this past Sunday when Washington's largest newspaper, *The Seattle Times*, supported Rossi. That endorsement should further boost the optimism of his supporters.

There will be more public polls released this week, which will likely show the race remaining close. And, mail-in ballots started arriving in Washington state homes late last week, which means this race will get even more intense.

Predictions come next week, but my advice to Rossi supporters mirrors that of Obama supporters – clear your schedules for a Rossi inauguration in January, but don't make any reservations yet. Things looks very promising for Rossi, but this race could easily turn the Governor's way in the final days.

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Here are a couple of articles about the new bill and the debate delay caused by the clerk having to read out loud all 492 pages!

### CLIMATE: Sponsors of Senate emissions plan revise bill as foes prep amendments (06/04/2008)

**Darren Samuelsohn, Greenwire senior reporter**

Senate floor debate on global warming legislation shifts into second gear this afternoon with sponsors offering a new 492-page version of their bill and opponents preparing a batch of amendments.

The sponsors -- Sens. Barbara Boxer (D-Calif.), Joe Lieberman (I-Conn.) and John Warner (R-Va.) -- have prepared another substitute amendment of their climate proposal that an aide said makes "tiny textual changes" in response to the Congressional Budget Office.



Among the changes is language clarifying that border taxes collected on carbon-intensive goods from China and India would be subject to the annual congressional appropriations process. The new bill also would bring appropriators in to divvy up funds from the cap-and-trade bill after 2047.



In an apparent bow to Ohio Democrat Sherrod Brown, a fence sitter on the legislation, Boxer added language creating a new clean-energy industry institute in Toledo, Ohio.

Floor action is expected to turn from preliminaries to actual debate on amendments later today -- though an agreement has yet to take shape among party leaders on whether and when there will be any votes on substantive changes to the bill.

First up are proposals to nudge U.S. diplomats to take a larger role in international climate negotiations and to expand career training for nuclear power engineers.

Controversial amendments are sure to follow as Republican leaders press for a lengthy debate on climate and force difficult votes for Democrats over gas prices. Sen. James Inhofe (R-Okla.) also raised complaints over the process, saying proponents are asking senators to view and write amendments on a bill they have not had time to thoroughly review.

At a press conference, Sen. Bob Corker (R-Tenn.) said he hoped Democratic leaders would keep the bill on the floor for the entire month. But he also said he doubted sponsors could muster a simple majority on the bill.

"This bill is going to die on the floor, as it should," Corker said. "And we'll have a real debate next year."

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-Nev.) said he plans to give the climate bill floor time through next week.

[Click here](#) to read the substitute amendment.

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McCain takes hope in all of the variations in the national polls, and he's holding on in several states that have traditionally gone Republican. If he can come back late, and win a number of those Republican states, he could possibly win the election. But again, that's an uphill battle.

As I said last week, my counsel remains the same – if you're an Obama supporter, start making plans to be in D.C. for a January inauguration, but don't book your ticket just yet. As you can see, the numbers swing wildly week by week. I must admit, this is one of the craziest and most unpredictable presidential races I've ever followed.

### **The Race for Congress – Democrats have strong upper hand**

A few weeks ago, it appeared that Republicans had a decent shot of limiting their losses in the Senate to three or four seats, and to 12 to 15 seats in the House. Today, the playing field is much stronger for Democrats – so strong, in fact, that it's not inconceivable that the Democrats could reach the magic 60 number in the Senate, which would allow them to stop debate on any bill, and move to final passage whenever they want. In the House, it looks like the Democrats could gain as many as 20 to 25 seats which would boost their overall numbers to well above 250.

So, what has happened to boost the Democrats prospects so dramatically in the last few weeks?

To quote James Carville, it's the economy, stupid. Even though the seeds of this economic nightmare were planted by politicians of both parties, the Republicans are taking the brunt of the blame for the current crisis. Suddenly, Republican senators in formerly safe states such as Kentucky, Georgia and Mississippi find themselves in tough races.

Now, it remains to be seen whether the South is going to turn its back on the Republican Party, but if there are changes in how the South votes for Congress, you could see Republican senators and representatives defeated in a number of states. For now, polling is all over the map in these states, but at this point, it appears possible that Republican losses could be much bigger than earlier imagined.

As for here in the Northwest, Rep. Dave Reichert (R-WA, 8<sup>th</sup> CD) and Sen. Gordon Smith (R-Oregon) are locked in tough and tight battles for re-election. Reichert appears to be in stronger shape than Smith – a public poll last week had him leading his opponent, Darcy Burner, by 49-41, but many predict this race is much closer. In Oregon, one public poll last week had Smith tied with his opponent, Jeff Merkley, at 47-47, and another had him down 46-41.

My sources on both sides tell me that the 47-47 number is closer to the truth than the one with Smith down five points, but it is clear that Smith has an uphill battle to keep his seat. He did receive a boost over the weekend when the state's largest newspaper, *The Oregonian*, endorsed his bid for re-election. Reichert has also fared well in the newspaper endorsement battle – he has received the endorsement of every major newspaper in his district, including the *Seattle P-I*, *The Seattle Times* and *The News Tribune* (Tacoma).

### **Washington Governor – is this Dino's year?**

Because Obama is a guaranteed winner in Washington state, the most watched and discussed race here is for governor, which remains super tight. A public poll last week had Governor Gregoire at 48 and her opponent, Dino Rossi, at 47. As you've heard me say several times this year, an incumbent under 50 is in serious trouble because undecided voters generally break for challengers by a 2 to 1 margin.

As I cautioned about Obama, this race is certainly Governor Gregoire's to lose – and right now, the momentum seems to be with Rossi. He and his third-party supporters will spend more money than the Governor and her third-party supporters between now and Election Day, and

while Rossi supporters sense impending victory, the Governor's team is worried and sending anxious messages to her supporters. Also, my sources on the Democratic side tell me repeatedly that they're nervous about the Governor's chances. So one camp is excited, and the other is very nervous. While this is certainly not a litmus test on election results, it does reflect the overall mood of the two campaigns.

In the newspaper endorsement battle, the Governor has the majority of the Puget Sound dailies, while Rossi has fared well in other areas of the state. The most notable endorsement came this past Sunday when Washington's largest newspaper, *The Seattle Times*, supported Rossi. That endorsement should further boost the optimism of his supporters.

There will be more public polls released this week, which will likely show the race remaining close. And, mail-in ballots started arriving in Washington state homes late last week, which means this race will get even more intense.

Predictions come next week, but my advice to Rossi supporters mirrors that of Obama supporters – clear your schedules for a Rossi inauguration in January, but don't make any reservations yet. Things looks very promising for Rossi, but this race could easily turn the Governor's way in the final days.

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**CLIMATE: Sponsors of Senate emissions plan revise bill as foes prep amendments**  
 (06/04/2008)

**Darren Samuelsohn, Greenwire senior reporter**

Senate floor debate on global warming legislation shifts into second gear this afternoon with sponsors offering a new 492-page version of their bill and opponents preparing a batch of amendments.

The sponsors -- Sens. Barbara Boxer (D-Calif.), Joe Lieberman (I-Conn.) and John Warner (R-Va.) -- have prepared another substitute amendment of their climate proposal that an aide said makes "tiny textual changes" in response to the Congressional Budget Office.



Among the changes is language clarifying that border taxes collected on carbon-intensive goods from China and India would be subject to the annual congressional appropriations process. The new bill also would bring appropriators in to divvy up funds from the cap-and-trade bill after 2047.

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In an apparent bow to Ohio Democrat Sherrod Brown, a fence sitter on the legislation, Boxer added language creating a new clean-energy industry institute in Toledo, Ohio.

Floor action is expected to turn from preliminaries to actual debate on amendments later today -- though an agreement has yet to take shape among party leaders on whether and when there will be any votes on substantive changes to the bill.

First up are proposals to nudge U.S. diplomats to take a larger role in international climate negotiations and to expand career training for nuclear power engineers.

Controversial amendments are sure to follow as Republican leaders press for a lengthy debate on climate and force difficult votes for Democrats over gas prices. Sen. James Inhofe (R-Okla.) also raised complaints over the process, saying proponents are asking senators to view and write amendments on a bill they have not had time to thoroughly review.

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"This bill is going to die on the floor, as it should," Corker said. "And we'll have a real debate next year."

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-Nev.) said he plans to give the climate bill floor time through next week.

[Click here](#) to read the substitute amendment.

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**From:** Baskerville, Sonya L - DKN-WASH**Sent:** Wednesday, June 04, 2008 6:13 PM**To:** Schmidt, Janelle L - SR-7; Jackson, Lamont - DKN-WASH; Jones, Sharon M - DKN-WASH; Seifert, Roger E - DKN-WASH; Tyer, Katherine M - DKN-WASH; Wright, Stephen J - A-7; Hunt, Karen A - DKR-7; Brannon, Christy - DK-7**Subject:** RE: For the good of the order - Climate Change Bill Outlook

Here are a couple of articles about the new bill and the debate delay caused by the clerk having to read out load all 492 pages!

**CLIMATE: Sponsors of Senate emissions plan revise bill as foes prep amendments (06/04/2008)****Darren Samuelsohn, Greenwire senior reporter**

Senate floor debate on global warming legislation shifts into second gear this afternoon with sponsors offering a new 492-page version of their bill and opponents preparing a batch of amendments.

The sponsors -- Sens. Barbara Boxer (D-Calif.), Joe Lieberman (I-Conn.) and John Warner (R-Va.) -- have prepared another substitute amendment of their climate proposal that an aide said makes "tiny textual changes" in response to the Congressional Budget Office.



Among the changes is language clarifying that border taxes collected on carbon-intensive goods from China and India would be subject to the annual congressional appropriations process. The



new bill also would bring appropriators in to divvy up funds from the cap-and-trade bill after 2047.

In an apparent bow to Ohio Democrat Sherrod Brown, a fence sitter on the legislation, Boxer added language creating a new clean-energy industry institute in Toledo, Ohio.

Floor action is expected to turn from preliminaries to actual debate on amendments later today -- though an agreement has yet to take shape among party leaders on whether and when there will be any votes on substantive changes to the bill.

First up are proposals to nudge U.S. diplomats to take a larger role in international climate negotiations and to expand career training for nuclear power engineers.

Controversial amendments are sure to follow as Republican leaders press for a lengthy debate on climate and force difficult votes for Democrats over gas prices. Sen. James Inhofe (R-Okla.) also raised complaints over the process, saying proponents are asking senators to view and write amendments on a bill they have not had time to thoroughly review.

At a press conference, Sen. Bob Corker (R-Tenn.) said he hoped Democratic leaders would keep the bill on the floor for the entire month. But he also said he doubted sponsors could muster a simple majority on the bill.

"This bill is going to die on the floor, as it should," Corker said. "And we'll have a real debate next year."

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-Nev.) said he plans to give the climate bill floor time through next week.

[Click here](#) to read the substitute amendment.

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**Subject:** RE: For the good of the order - Climate Change Bill Outlook

Hey all. I have been checking in periodically with a few Senate staffers on how the debate is going and whether we need to be worried about any specific issues. I'm hearing a resounding, "this is a big mess of nothing." Apparently today, Senator Boxer offered another substitute amendment that is slightly different from the original substitute bill (it's about 450 pages), and there is a reading of the bill on the floor.

I had gotten a little worried because on Tuesday I got a voicemail from Crapo's office about climate. Turns out that Crapo's office got a call from a reporter who was making an assumption that the bill provided benefits to the NW. Craig said that Crapo said his view was that hydro gets the short end of the stick in the current bill. Other than that, everyone has said that the debate is a waste of time and the bill is going nowhere.

Tony and W2A folks, are you still hearing the same? Thanks!

**From:** Baskerville, Sonya L - DKN-WASH  
**Sent:** Monday, June 02, 2008 7:56 PM  
**To:** 'Tony Williams'; Wright, Stephen J - A-7; Brannon, Christy - DK-7  
**Cc:** Nina Collier; Christy Gullion; Liz Fortunato  
**Subject:** RE: For the good of the order - Climate Change Bill Outlook

Thanks! The motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed was agreed to tonight (74 ayes, 14 nays, 12 not voting (the three Presidential primary candidates not voting)). The current schedule indicates that tomorrow they will resume debate.

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**Sent:** Monday, June 02, 2008 6:11 PM

**To:** Wright, Stephen J - A-7; Baskerville, Sonya L - DKN-WASH; Brannon, Christy - DK-7

**Cc:** Nina Collier; Christy Gullion; Liz Fortunato

**Subject:** For the good of the order - Climate Change Bill Outlook

Steve, Sonya and Christy – I suspect that most of what I'm sending you here is what you already know, but since we're sending this email to our other clients who care about the climate change debate, I thought you two would like to see our thoughts, as well. My thoughts represent what I read in the press, what my friends on the Hill are telling me, and what my gut tells me from watching these kinds of debate for almost 15 years. I hope this information is useful to you all.

The Senate started debate this afternoon on the Boxer-Warner-Lieberman climate change debate. The Senate is expected tonight to vote on what is called the motion to proceed, which will allow the Senate to debate the full bill and any amendments to the bill. I'm told that the motion to proceed will pass by a large margin – perhaps unanimous, or close to it. From there, it looks like the Senate will move to other business before returning to the climate change debate on Wednesday. I am expecting the debate to last through the remainder of the week, and it could even extend into next week. Right now, the focus is on gathering up as many “yes” votes as possible in order to “invoke cloture” and end the “filibuster” on the bill. In the Senate, once cloture has been invoked, time limits can be set on the remaining debate so that amendments can be offered, and a time for a final vote can be scheduled. Without cloture, the bill can effectively be talked to death, or the Senate Leader can choose to remove the bill from the floor and proceed to other business (which is what happens all the time...the days of the Jimmy Stewart Hollywood-style filibuster that lasts for days and days rarely ever occur in modern times).

Invoking cloture, and thus ending the filibuster, requires 60 yes votes. On this bill, there is no chance that cloture will be invoked. In fact, I'm told that Senate Majority Leader Reid is trying to figure out how many yes votes he has to invoke cloture, and that he is under 50 right now. My guess is that he will have a tough time finding 50 or more votes to invoke cloture – most of the Republicans will vote no, and there are a number of Democrats from coal states who are uneasy about voting to invoke cloture because they don't like the Boxer substitute. By voting yes to end the filibuster on the Boxer substitute, those Democrats open themselves up to arguments in their home states that they voted in favor of a bill that would hurt their states...yes, the vote is largely a procedural vote, but it is a very critical procedural vote, and many Senators have gotten into political trouble by voting yes to invoke cloture while being against the bill before them...so, given that dynamic, I'm expecting Senator Reid to have a tough sell in getting 50 votes for cloture, let alone the 60 he needs to end the filibuster. Also, all Senators know that this year's debate is merely a political exercise, so any fence-sitters are more likely to want to keep the talking going this year while the Presidential election is decided, and then bring the issue back up next year.

So, what does all that D.C.-gobbledy-gook (check your Roget's, it's in there) mean to BPA?

I'll cut to the chase now – there will be lots of talk about climate change this week. If there is a vote to end the filibuster and have real votes on the bill, it will fail. And there might not even be a vote to invoke cloture because supporters of the Boxer substitute do not want to see it get less than 50 votes, which is a very valid concern right now. In the end, I'm expecting a lot of talk and no action, which will effectively kick most of the debate and action to next year.

Still, this week marks the first week that our Senators will be truly focused on climate change, so it's a good thing that we've been sharing our thoughts with everyone about what we believe should be done on this important issue. Some initial positions will get hardened this week, which means we need to be engaged now so that the Northwest is in good position next year when the debate returns.

We'll be keeping a close eye on the floor debate as the week progresses, and will share our thoughts and insights on what it all means once the week has ended.

Best,

Tony

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**From:** Tony Williams [tony.williams@washington2advocates.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 19, 2008 5:08 PM  
**To:** Baskerville, Sonya L - DKN-WASH; Brannon, Christy - DK-7  
**Subject:** RE: Political Landscape Meeting

Perfect! thank you...I'll plan on doing the 26<sup>th</sup>, and she or Liz can do the 10<sup>th</sup>...thanks for including us...this will be fun.

By the way, the Washington state political landscape just got shook up yesterday by the Supreme Court...the Court threw out the goofy primary system created by the two parties, and essentially sided with the voters of our state in putting back in place most of our old primary system...where the top two go forward...where you don't register by party, etc etc...we were going to have a closed primary in august...those are snoozers and only attract left and right wingers...now, we will a good old fashioned free-for-all (which is what we're used to having), and that means ALL voters can participate...should be interesting.

Both of these are on my calendar...thanks!

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**From:** Baskerville, Sonya L - DKN-WASH [mailto:slbaskerville@bpa.gov]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 19, 2008 5:05 PM  
**To:** Tony Williams; Brannon, Christy - DK-7  
**Subject:** RE: Political Landscape Meeting

I assume that means you aren't syncing your calendar to your BlackBerry (probably too much)! The meeting has been scheduled as a regularly occurring meeting, so yes, there is one on both the 26<sup>th</sup> and the 10<sup>th</sup>. As I mentioned, it's fine if you want Christy G. to participate from time to time if you can't make all of them. The invitation is open to her (or Liz or Bridget) as well.

Christy G. knows that she might get called on to attend - I mentioned that to her at Charlie Palmer. We know how difficult it is to schedule the boss all the time. Thanks!

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**From:** Tony Williams [mailto:tony.williams@washington2advocates.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 19, 2008 4:46 PM  
**To:** Brannon, Christy - DK-7; Baskerville, Sonya L - DKN-WASH  
**Subject:** Political Landscape Meeting

Hey guys - I hate to admit this publicly...but I'm not real super talented with the whole outlook scheduling software! I know I know I know.

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So, I'd like to participate in the political landscape discussion...is there a meeting both on March 26<sup>th</sup> and April 10<sup>th</sup>? Or just April 10<sup>th</sup>?

I will be in Florida with my family for our kids spring break on April 10<sup>th</sup>....however, there is a family reunion component to this spring break trip, so if my presence by phone was needed for the April 10<sup>th</sup> meeting, I would be happy to accommodate.

Let me know how you want to proceed!

Best,

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**From:** Baskerville,Sonya L - DKN-WASH  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 03, 2008 5:36 PM  
**To:** 'Tony Williams'  
**Subject:** RE: Public Power Rendezvous Early Spring 2008

Thanks !

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**From:** Tony Williams [mailto:tony.williams@washington2advocates.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 03, 2008 5:32 PM  
**To:** Baskerville,Sonya L - DKN-WASH  
**Subject:** RE: Public Power Rendezvous Early Spring 2008

Hey – I forgot to tell you how much I appreciated this report...very well done!

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**From:** Baskerville,Sonya L - DKN-WASH [mailto:slbaskerville@bpa.gov]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 27, 2008 10:48 PM  
**To:** Tony Williams; Christy Gullion; Liz Fortunato  
**Subject:** FW: Public Power Rendezvous Early Spring 2008  
**Importance:** High

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**From:** Baskerville,Sonya L - DKN-WASH  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 27, 2008 10:46 PM  
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**Cc:** Jackson, Lamont - DKN-WASH; Jones, Sheron M - DKN-WASH; Little, Dominique L - DKN-WASH; Seifert, Roger E - DKN-WASH

**Subject:** Public Power Rendezvous Early Spring 2008

**Importance:** High

The early spring brings lots of public power folks and their constituents to DC. As in past years, the DC office has a lot of visitors during this time and participates in a number of meetings and receptions. We eat a lot of food during that time, but we usually learn a lot by breaking bread and drinking wine (in moderation, of course).

This year, the Administrator happened to be in town for the PPC reception which is one of the highlights of the reception circuit. The NCPA reception was the same night, but I didn't make it over there. I also attended the WPUA congressional staff tour of the mid-Columbia dams this week.

Because OMB did not hit us with a great proposal this year, there wasn't a whole lot to gripe about. Most folks had good to neutral things to say about the big two - Regional Dialogue (including REP) and fish. A consistent message was "we want the long-term contracts done by the end of this year." Climate also was a big part of their message this time, maybe even more than Regional Dialogue. Also, transmission and reliability got some attention, with worries expressed about renewable energy zone legislative proposals and compliance with NERC reliability standards.

Here are some bullet points that were heard around the Hill, in the hills, or in my office during the past two months:

- Rumor has it that Washington congressional offices are getting tired of Grays Harbor.
- Concerns were expressed to Commissioner Moeller that small utilities may have problems complying with the reliability standards - "don't hurt me" was the theme. In a presentation on NERC standards given by Bill Dobbins (Douglas PUD) on the tour, Bill explained that the standards have lots of processes that go to documentation and not necessarily reliability. Penalty fear is a big factor also. I talked with Commissioner Moeller at the Taste of Northwest reception hosted by the Pacific Northwest Waterways Association. I told him that I heard that he had heard concerns expressed about compliance. I told him that BPA was not going to join the other feds in the penalties discussion with John Moot. I also told him that BPA has been working with its customers to work through this transition to NERC/WECC compliance and we were shoring-up our own procedures, etc., to ensure that our customers would have fewer worries about non-compliance. **I'll be sure to keep Moeller's office informed of our progress. If there are protocols that we've put in place specifically to lessen the "burden" on our smaller customers, please let me know what those are. Thanks.**
- An effort is underway to establish a "National Wave Energy Center (NVEC)" at Oregon State University. OSU and allies are requesting \$5 million in FY 2009 appropriations (from DOE's EERE). There also are appropriations being sought for other wave and biomass demonstration projects in the Northwest (requests also to DOE's EERE).
- Colonel Steven Miles will be in the Army Corps of Engineer's Portland District Post. He is getting up to speed on Treaty issues. Colonel O'Donovan was glad

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to hear that BPA is reaching out to State now in a low key manner; he still had some complaints about the amount of money being spent on studies at this time, but I got the sense that he wasn't saying that to folks on the Hill this time.

- I chatted with Matt Eames, now DOI congressional affairs, about the Klamath settlement. He was baffled about how the federal power provision might work.
- Commissioner Moeller wants us to be successful on Network Open Season.
- There was some talk about Governor Kulongoski and LNG; one person suggested that he favored, rather than being open to discuss, an LNG facility.
- Sea lions - congressional staff indicated they would have to regroup if NOAA made a "no legal take" decision under the existing law; regroup also if lawsuits stop/delay action.
- **A congressional staffer for a powerful NW senator said that a common view is a desire that the DSIs' contracts are completed at the same time as everything else.**
- The Council has some issues with certain fish and wildlife project information we supposedly are not gathering and providing to the Council. **I understand that this concern has been expressed to Greg and others.**
- Howard Schwartz is working with the Western Governors on their renewable energy zone proposal. Howard wanted to understand what our objection to the zones concept was. I explained that we have objected to the legislative proposals that are out there now, not necessarily to designation of zones per se. I told him of the fatal flaws in the bill: the stranded debt; the 75% renewables on the line rule; and the complicated overlay of this bill and our existing authorities and approaches. Howard got all of that and was encouraged to hear that we weren't anti designation of zones period. Howard also didn't know that WAPA did not have borrowing authority, which helped him understand why they would be in favor of the legislation and BPA not. I don't recall anyone having a positive thing to say about the zones bills, and at one point at the Wanapum Dam Heritage Center, three of us (me, Howard and Tom Karrier) talked with James Bradbury, Rep. Inslee's staffer on the zones bill, about the problems the legislation created and actions already underway which make the bill unnecessary for our region. James recognized the issues, mentioned again the political realities of exempting Inslee's own region, and then did not dismiss outright a suggestion to include BPA only in the zone designation section. We all agreed to continue talking about this issue.
- On Residential Exchange, Scott Corwin expressed a desire to have an outcome that is predictable over the 20 years (i.e., a known quantity). Scott recognized the complexity of getting there and hoped that some sort of resolution could be worked out in the current rate proceeding. Privately, both Scott and someone else (I can't recall who) mentioned hope for continued improvement in Barney Keep's condition.
- Also on REP, Chuck TenPas, a relatively new Lewis County PUD Commissioner, said that they voted to sign the Interim Agreement, 2 to 1. He voted in favor, and argued that the PPC got all of the changes they asked for in the agreement, so why wouldn't they sign.
- Douglas PUD showed off its very sophisticated telecommunications network, powered by NOANet. Expressions of gratitude for BPA and others who worked on that project. Public power entities still have a battle on their hands on the federal level, however, with efforts still out there to prohibit publicly-owned utilities from providing telecommunications services.
- There was a lot of hope expressed for the biop, but it didn't get a lot of discussion except to note the cost of our current efforts.
- Climate: the message from just about all of these groups was: recognize hydro as a renewable; don't penalize the PNW in the allocations just because

we are clean, recognize load growth needs; point of regulation should be upstream as far as possible; federal program preferred, although don't mess with regional stuff that might be better; compliance is going to cost a lot.

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Transmission corridor along Stevens Pass, Washington, HWY 2

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Wanapum Dam Heritage Center (Pictured face forward: Rex Buck, Jr., Tim Culbertson)

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The Bavarian Village of Leavenworth Washington

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Wanapum Dam

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Standing on Rocky Reach Dam and viewing an open portion of the fish bypass facility (I focused more on the scenery in this shot)

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Rocky Reach Dam

Please feel free to pass this on to other BPA folks. If you have any questions, feel free to ask. Thanks!

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**Subject:** FW: Election Update Memo from Washington Advocates  
**Attachments:** W2A Election Update Oct 21 2008.pdf

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**From:** Liz Fortunato [mailto:[liz.fortunato@washington2advocates.com](mailto:liz.fortunato@washington2advocates.com)]  
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**To:** Liz Fortunato  
**Subject:** Election Update Memo from Washington Advocates

Clients and friends –

Attached you'll find another memo from Tony regarding the 2008 elections. Enjoy!

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**From:** Baskerville, Sonya L - DKN-WASH  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 07, 2008 12:59 PM  
**To:** 'Tony Williams'; 'Christy Gullion'  
**Subject:** FW: Presidential Candidates' Energy Advisors Speak at the Energy Bar Association's 2008 Annual Meeting

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**Subject:** RE: Presidential Candidates' Energy Advisors Speak at the Energy Bar Association's 2008 Annual Meeting

I am not either. He was so vague! We can pretend in our minds that was it until I can find out more somehow. I didn't have a chance to talk with him afterward. I did meet him before, however, at an ABA conference in San Diego.

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**From:** Wright, Stephen J - A-7  
**Sent:** Mon May 05 14:44:31 2008  
**To:** Baskerville, Sonya L - DKN-WASH  
**Subject:** RE: Presidential Candidates' Energy Advisors Speak at the Energy Bar Association's 2008 Annual Meeting

New transmission policy in Oregon. That sounds like support for network open season. I'm not aware of anything else going on in Oregon.

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**From:** Baskerville, Sonya L - DKN-WASH  
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Subject: RE: Presidential Candidates' Energy Advisors Speak at the Energy Bar Association's 2008 Annual Meeting

Hello all. I attended the EBA annual meeting on Thursday, and thought I'd pass along a few notes from this panel discussion. Senator Obama's energy advisor was Jason Grumet. Senator McCain's advisor was Douglas Holtz-Eakin (a bit of DOE trivia: Eric Burgeson also is one of McCain's energy advisors; Eric was Chief of Staff here at DOE just prior to Jeff Kupfer). Senator Clinton's advisor was invited but could not attend at the last minute.

Here are a few notes I took:

Each candidates' energy advisor said candidates support hydro. Obama's advisor mentioned salmon and there are ways to find balance with hydro and habitat improvement. Both said they were not in favor of removing dams. Obama in favor of getting more power out of existing dams - new turbines, etc. Obama in favor of nuclear - all non-carbon emitting resources need to be on the table. Obama's advisor said there is a need to have a global view on waste management to handle the non-proliferation issues. Both said there was no need for additional subsidies for nuclear. McCain's advisor mentioned several times his support for a cap and trade, market driven approach to reducing carbon emissions. McCain's advisor said that the country needs to deal with the waste problem.

On climate, Obama: can't wait for China and the so-called global approach. Just a way to slow down doing something. Obama in favor of the US moving forward and imposing costs on other countries to send signals that they need to do something. Believes that American people are ready to make a contribution to this problem. McCain wants cap and trade, but believes China needs to act at the same time.

Obama understands that the investment climate has been a mess for transmission. There is a need for infrastructure and the feds have a role to be the arbiter, not to create mandates necessarily. Also a need to be much more efficient. Some good efforts going on in Oregon with transmission. McCain: we now have an opportunity for Americans to understand what the transmission grid is like; they generally do not understand how complex it is. Americans are skeptical of Washington efforts - the presumption is that something is wrong with the effort or there's a deal for somebody specific. Need to clean up that perception.

Obama: must take care of the car impacts and implement stronger CAFE standards - that's one of the real solutions. McCain: in favor of stronger CAFE also. Obama: the gas tax holiday is bad policy and a quick gimmick that won't even work. Believes in strong and profitable energy sector, but those profits need to come from innovation, solving our long term problems, new technologies, etc. The oil companies shouldn't be rewarded for not doing anything on these efforts. A windfall excise tax is a clear economic policy to bring money into programs that will help move good energy policies forward. They would still have a huge profit margin. McCain: proposed the "tax holiday," but has always opposed excessive profits in the oil sector.

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Clients and Friends -

Attached you'll find a memo from Tony regarding his thoughts on the economic rescue package that failed in the House of Representatives and the events that have transpired in the past couple of days.

Enjoy!

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The main purpose of this update is to bring you up-to-speed on the presidential election and to go into deeper detail about the four big races in the Pacific Northwest. For now, we'll forgo making predictions on any of the big races around the country until our final political update in late October.

Just a little over three more weeks to go and it will all be over.

### *The National Overview – Obama with strong lead*

The longest, most intense presidential election in this country's history will finally come to a conclusion on November 4<sup>th</sup>. It feels like it has been going on forever, and with three weeks to go, it seems like a front-runner has finally emerged. That front-runner, Barack Obama, has won the message battle with John McCain in the weeks following the financial meltdown on Wall Street.

When last we spoke, the race was a virtual dead heat. McCain and Obama were essentially tied in the popular vote and in the Electoral College. In fact, in mid-September, McCain had a little bit of lead.

That lead is gone now, and Obama has the upper hand with just 24 days to go. Most pundits now believe that the race is Obama's to lose, and that he could be on his way to a landslide victory. You won't be surprised to learn that this observer isn't quite ready to go there yet – not in this most wacky of election seasons where the conventional wisdom has bounced around in abnormal ways about every two weeks. Also, I'm struck by how my Democratic colleagues are very subdued as we head into the final weeks of this campaign. Most are confident that Democrats will pick up seats in Congress, and they are optimistic that Obama will win, but it's hard to get a Democrat to say they know that Obama will win.

Why is that? There is a school of thought in vogue right now that questions whether Obama's leads are as strong as the polls say they are because many pundits believe voters might be fibbing to pollsters about whether Obama being an African-American plays into how they cast their ballots. I hope that's not true – I hope our country has moved enough beyond race to not have that happening – but it's definitely the hot topic right now in political circles as he bolts to a strong lead.

Also, there are some wild differences between many of the national polls right now. One daily tracking poll, Gallup, has Obama up 11 points, 52-41. Another has him up five, 50-45, and two others have the race at two points and one point. I'm not sure that I believe the

Gallup numbers (although I've been saying for months that many of political friends say their numbers are generally the ones to watch mostly closely), but I'm also not sure that I believe the polls that have the race at less than a four-point spread.

Right now, I think Obama is ahead nationally by at least five points, and that he is in a strong position to win this election. McCain can still come back, but it will require a much stronger message by him on the economy, and he will need some kind of outside event to help him surpass Obama on November 4<sup>th</sup>. Voter focus is about to get real intense, and undecided voters will finally be forced to make a decision. We will know soon whether Obama is on his way to victory, or if this one is going to be tight like 2000 and 2004.

The Electoral College also shows strength for Obama. My favorite political website, Real Clear Politics, has Obama with a 277-158 lead in the Electoral College with 103 electoral votes in the toss-up category. It takes 270 electoral votes to win, and right now Obama is leading by small margins in a number of states that have gone Republican in the last few elections. That's why some observers think that a landslide victory is within reach for Obama.

We'll be back before the election to update you on the national election scene, but right now, if you're an Obama supporter, you can start thinking about making reservations for his inauguration in Washington, D.C. on January 20<sup>th</sup>, but I'd wait another two weeks to buy your tickets if I were you.

***Washington Governor's Race – Tight as a tick***

There is only one word to describe this year's rematch between Governor Christine Gregoire and Dino Rossi – tight.

The Real Clear Politics average of all the polls taken in this race since mid-September comes out this way:

Gregoire	48.0
Rossi	48.0

How can it get any tighter? The last three polls in this race have come out this way:

Rasmussen (10/2)	48-48
Survey USA (9/22)	50-48 (Gregoire)
Strategic Vision (9/22)	48-46 (Rossi)

Both campaigns are at full throttle on the airwaves, and third-party groups are spending millions in support of their favorite candidate. So, what's going to happen?

First, the Governor is in serious trouble. Incumbents who are under 50 percent at this stage in the campaign rarely win because undecided voters tend to vote for the challenger by at least

70 to 80 percent. [Case in point: in 2004, Rossi trailed Gregoire 48-41 in the campaign's final internal poll of the election, and he ended up getting virtually every undecided vote – which is how he ended up ahead on the first two counts.]

Secondly, the looming budget deficit and the dropping economy mean that taxes and spending are now at the top of voters' minds this election. Both of those are issues tend to swing in Rossi's favor.

But, despite those troubles, the Governor could still win this race. She just needs a small bump to get over 50 percent, and she is counting on that bump coming from new voters who will be coming out to for Obama. She is hoping that Obama wins Washington state by a big margin, and that the strong Obama vote is enough to help her over the finish line. She is also hoping that her campaign's attacks on Rossi will increase his negatives to a point where independents finally choose to swing her way.

It's a tightrope for her at this point, and she has to remain on the attack while finding ways to talk about the future. Her campaign will need to remain on the attack which means her negatives will stay high (I know that from my experience in 2000 for Slade), and that will make it hard for her to break away from her opponent.

For Rossi, he will continue to hammer at the Governor on spending and taxes, and he will work very hard to convince voters that he's different than the Republicans in Washington, D.C. Much like the Governor, he is also on a tightrope because of the Democratic nature of Washington state, and the falling fortunes for Republicans nationally.

In a normal election year, I think Rossi would be sailing to a victory because it's clear that voters in Washington state are ready for a change in Olympia, but that Republican/GOP title next to Rossi's name could end up being his undoing in this election.

It is going to be very, very, very, very close again, and right now, this one could go either way.

#### ***Washington 8<sup>th</sup> Congressional District – Reichert has his work cut out for him***

Following the August primary and the Republican convention, Congressman Dave Reichert looked more and more like a sure winner in November, but the race is back to an absolute dead heat. His opponent, Darcy Burner, has the money advantage in this race, and she has been on the air for the last two weeks, while the Reichert just started running its ads this week.

There has been little polling of late in this race, but my sources tell me that the two candidates are running tied. As I said above, incumbents that are below 50 percent at this point in the campaign generally have a hard time winning because undecided voters don't break their way in the final days.

In this race, I think it's going to be super important to see where things stand with 10 days or less to go. Voters are just now focusing on this race, and I suspect the undecideds will start to move one way or the other in the next week or two as the two campaigns duke it out on the airwaves.

For Reichert, his mission is simple – push his independence and his ties to law enforcement vs. his opponent's relative inexperience. He is carrying the negatives of the national Republican party around his neck, and that will make it difficult for him in the final weeks of the campaign, but if anyone can defy conventional political wisdom, it's the Sheriff who tracked down the Green River killer.

The Burner campaign has tons of money and is on the offensive. Reichert has a tiny advantage here because of his positive image with independent voters, but he will need to work hard to show that he's part of the solution in D.C., and not part of the problem.

### ***Oregon Senate – Gordon Smith faces uphill fight***

One of the nicest and most independent members of the U.S. Senate, Gordon Smith, could be defeated in November this year because of the falling Republican brand. Right now, his Democratic opponent, Jeff Merkley, has a lead on the Real Clear Politics average, 43.3-42.5.

As most of you know, Senator Smith is a good friend of mine, so it's hard for me to comprehend that he has this much trouble getting re-elected to a third term. But, the national Democratic party has spent millions in attack ads against Senator Smith, and he's having a hard time breaking free from the "R" by his name.

The Smith campaign is trying its best to highlight Gordon's independent streak with a series of very strong ads, but it might not be enough this year to overcome a building Democratic wave in key Senate races.

Because Gordon is Gordon, is so personally likeable, and is fabulous on TV, I think there is still a good chance that Senator Smith can make a late comeback in this race, but it's definitely an uphill battle for him at this point.

### ***Alaska Senate – Ted Stevens seems poised to be re-elected***

This race is perhaps the most simple to discuss – if Stevens avoids conviction in his corruption trial in Washington, D.C., he wins, and right now, it appears that he has a great chance to be found not guilty in his trial. The prosecution has made a series of colossal mistakes in presenting its case, and the judge has thrown out some of the prosecution's key evidence. The defense makes its case over the next few days and then the jury will decide.

Stevens has made a big gamble in asking for a quick trial, but right now, this observer thinks there is better than 50-50 chance that he is back in the Senate next year.

As for polling, the race is now a toss-up. After the government announced its indictments, Anchorage Mayor Mark Begich jumped out to leads in the 15-20 point range, but the race has come back closer to Stevens in the last few weeks. The Real Clear Politics average in the race has Begich at 48.3 and Stevens at 45.5, but a poll out last week had the race at 49-48 in Stevens favor.

Also, Stevens will be helped big-time by Sarah Palin's placement on the ticket. McCain-Palin will win Alaska by big numbers, and that will help Stevens.

But, first, he needs to win his trial in Washington, D.C. and we should know the answer to that real soon.

There you go – that's the latest on the Presidential race and the key races here in the Northwest. We will be back shortly before the election with an overview of the race for the White House, control of Congress, and the key Northwest races, and this next update will also contain my predictions.

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TO: Clients  
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DT: October 20, 2008  
RE: Christy's promotion

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I am very excited to announce the promotion of Christy Gullion as our new Director of Federal Relations. Christy will manage our Washington, D.C. office and will coordinate our federal work on Capitol Hill and inside the Administration.

She will also be playing a more active role in the management and overall direction of our company.

Since Christy joined our office last year, she has quickly immersed herself in all aspects of serving our clients and building our company. She has immensely helped our team and our clients with her regulatory and legislative background, which is essential to the clients we serve, and she expands our reach into the region's Democratic offices. We have always prided ourselves on being able to work both sides of the aisle when it comes to client projects, and Christy has taken that commitment to a new level to enhance our abilities to work both Democratic and Republican policymakers on Northwest problems and issues.

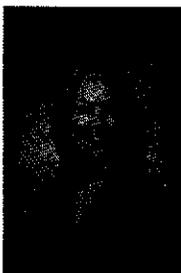
In addition to the value she is bringing to our client work, Christy has proven to be a true team player, a savvy and energetic business person, and someone that cares deeply about this company and the quality of our services to our clients. This combination of leadership, dedication to client service, and entrepreneurial spirit is fundamental to our little company. We are extremely excited to be moving her into a role that allows us and our clients to fully benefit from her natural leadership and management skills.

Christy's promotion means we will be able to better leverage the talents and know-how of our entire team for your benefit. As you know, we work on issues at the D.C. level down to the regional and local level. We pride ourselves on syncing up your needs at all levels of government in order to get your problems solved successfully and expeditiously. Our goal is to successfully connect the issues and challenges of the region with the priorities and realities in our nation's capital. To that end, we will soon be adding additional staff to our D.C. office and we are working with our entire team on strategies and structures that will allow us to more fully and effectively service you and help you achieve your goals in Washington, D.C. and in the region.

All of this does not mean you will see or hear less from me. If anything, I am more energized and excited than ever about our team, the work we do for you, and level of service we are able to provide to you. I will continue to make my regular (at least once a month, often twice) trips to D.C. to maintain my presence for you in our nation's capital, and I will continue to play a key role in your projects. Members of our Bellevue team – Nina Collier, Liz Fortunato and Kristen Michal – will also be increasing their travel to D.C. in order to provide the timely, client-focused, customer service that guides our work.

We are very fortunate to have Christy on our team, and we are very excited about this promotion for her. I hope you will join me in celebrating her promotion, and will drop her a note or mention it the next time you talk with her.

As always, we appreciate your business and your input on how we can better serve your needs in the region and in Washington, D.C.



***Christy Gullion, Director of Federal Relations***

As the Director of Federal Relations for Washington<sup>2</sup> Advocates, Christy manages all aspects of our Washington, D.C. office and directs our federal work on Capitol Hill.

Christy has substantial experience working at all levels of government – federal, state, and local. Before joining W2A, Christy was the Northwest Washington Director for U.S. Senator Patty Murray (D-WA). She worked with communities in Snohomish, Skagit, Whatcom, San Juan, and Island counties to assist them in developing strategies to solve issues and help them navigate the federal and state legislative processes. She also presented information to groups on how to identify and access potential sources of federal funding through grants and direct appropriations.

Before joining Senator Murray's office, Christy was the Chief of Staff to King County Councilmember Bob Ferguson. During her time with the Council, she worked on a number of countywide revenue issues, including stabilizing sewer rates, preventing transit fare increases, and creating a dedicated funding source to provide human services to military veterans.

From 1999 to 2002 she was the Director of Policy and Legislative Affairs for the National Institute for Literacy located in Washington, D.C. where she worked with Members of Congress and Administration officials in the Departments of Labor, Education, and Health and Human Services to promote literacy and workforce issues. She was a legislative assistant for Congressman Brian Baird (D-WA) before joining the National Institute for Literacy.

Christy's career began in Olympia where she served four years as a legislative assistant to the Washington State Senator she helped elect. She then spent another four years working for the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services as a budget and policy analyst.

Christy grew up in south King County (Auburn). She earned her BA in Education from Central Washington University and her Masters in Public Administration from The Evergreen State College.



## MEMORANDUM

TO: Clients and friends  
FR: Tony Williams  
DT: October 21, 2008  
RE: Election Update

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With just two weeks to go in the 2008 elections, Barack Obama is outpacing John McCain in the presidential race, Democrats seem poised for big gains in Congress, and it's still very possible that there could be a new Governor in Washington state.

### The Presidential Race – This is crazy!

When last I wrote you, Barack Obama had moved into a commanding lead. Most polls had him anywhere from eight to twelve points ahead, and he had moved into a large lead on the Electoral College. Following last week's debate, and Obama's encounter with "Joe the Plumber," the race tightened a little. But now, as of today, Obama has taken a more significant lead again. A lot has contributed to these wide swings in numbers.

So, what happened in the last week that made this race look closer? First, it's natural for the margins to shrink as we get closer to Election Day. Most of Obama's lead was artificial because of anxiety surrounding the financial rescue package and the wild swings on Wall Street. What this means is that he was drawing bigger numbers amongst soft Republicans. Second, America doesn't like its politicians to get too comfortable with any large lead in the final weeks of a closely-fought election. And, third, there seems to be more life in the McCain campaign over the past 10 days, which has helped rally conservatives and independents to his cause. That rally was based upon an increasingly negative campaign by McCain. Those attacks seem to be working, which is why the race tightened.

Oh yes, and fourth, Obama really botched it with Joe the Plumber. His "spread the wealth" line hurt him with soft Republicans and male independents, and then the media's obsession with "Joe" over the following few days only played to McCain's advantage. Joe ended up being a huge lifeline to McCain.

As of today, however, the numbers have swung back to Obama being in a commanding lead. Despite some life being injected into the McCain campaign, Obama is in the strongest position to win the race. He leads in all the national polls – by wildly varying amounts, which we will discuss later in this memo – and he's leading in most of the so-called battleground states. In the states where Obama's lead is outside the margin of error (generally, about four percent), he has 286 Electoral Votes, and if you give him all the states where he has a lead, he has well over 300 Electoral Votes. He needs just 270 to win, and he appears to be in position to do so.

As we know from the primaries, Obama has a difficult time when it comes to "closing the deal", which will keep things interesting. Also, as the national polls tighten, the same will happen in polls done in individual states, which only heighten the drama surrounding Election Day.

As for those polls and the different numbers they present, let me take you to Gallup's latest numbers. As I've said before, this is the national polling I watch the most when it comes to the presidential race.

Gallup is reporting THREE different sets of numbers when it comes to the presidential race – one poll quotes registered voters, one quotes likely voters (traditional), and one quotes likely voters (expanded).

The first group, registered voters, is the best group for Obama. It is also the hardest to figure when it comes to Election Day because it's hard to know what percentage of all voters will actually cast their ballots. In this group, the largest basket of voters, Obama is up by eleven points as of today. If we have record turn-out on November 4<sup>th</sup>, Obama will roll to victory because he is most solid amongst the voters who traditionally are the hardest to get to the polls on Election Day. In contrast, on Sunday this poll had him up by eight points.

The second group, "traditional" likely voters, has Obama up seven points. By traditional, what Gallup is trying to do is test where the race is if turn-out ends up being near traditional levels for a presidential contest. If we end up having a more traditional Election Day in terms of turn-out, then that means we're going to have a close race, and that gets super dicey for Obama. Again in contrast, the same poll had him up only two points this weekend.

The third group, "expanded" likely voters, has Obama up ten points. This group is an attempt by Gallup to try and poll for likely voters while also trying to account for all the new registrations that have taken place across America because of Obama's candidacy. This is perhaps the best test for this race – there is clearly a lot of energy out there for Obama, and this expanded pool might be the best barometer of where the race stands on any given day. You know what's coming – the contrast! On Sunday this poll had his lead at four points.

So, where is the race? Keep watching! Does it look like Obama is going to win? Yes. Does it look like he could win by a lot? Yes. Does it look like he could end up winning by a much smaller margin than most observers think? Yes. Can McCain come back and nip him by a very small amount? Crazier things have happened, but a lot would have to for that to occur.

McCain takes hope in all of the variations in the national polls, and he's holding on in several states that have traditionally gone Republican. If he can come back late, and win a number of those Republican states, he could possibly win the election. But again, that's an uphill battle.

As I said last week, my counsel remains the same – if you're an Obama supporter, start making plans to be in D.C. for a January inauguration, but don't book your ticket just yet. As you can see, the numbers swing wildly week by week. I must admit, this is one of the craziest and most unpredictable presidential races I've ever followed.

### **The Race for Congress – Democrats have strong upper hand**

A few weeks ago, it appeared that Republicans had a decent shot of limiting their losses in the Senate to three or four seats, and to 12 to 15 seats in the House. Today, the playing field is much stronger for Democrats – so strong, in fact, that it's not inconceivable that the Democrats could reach the magic 60 number in the Senate, which would allow them to stop debate on any bill, and move to final passage whenever they want. In the House, it looks like the Democrats could gain as many as 20 to 25 seats which would boost their overall numbers to well above 250.

So, what has happened to boost the Democrats prospects so dramatically in the last few weeks?

To quote James Carville, it's the economy, stupid. Even though the seeds of this economic nightmare were planted by politicians of both parties, the Republicans are taking the brunt of the blame for the current crisis. Suddenly, Republican senators in formerly safe states such as Kentucky, Georgia and Mississippi find themselves in tough races.

Now, it remains to be seen whether the South is going to turn its back on the Republican Party, but if there are changes in how the South votes for Congress, you could see Republican senators and representatives defeated in a number of states. For now, polling is all over the map in these states, but at this point, it appears possible that Republican losses could be much bigger than earlier imagined.

As for here in the Northwest, Rep. Dave Reichert (R-WA, 8<sup>th</sup> CD) and Sen. Gordon Smith (R-Oregon) are locked in tough and tight battles for re-election. Reichert appears to be in stronger shape than Smith – a public poll last week had him leading his opponent, Darcy Burner, by 49-41, but many predict this race is much closer. In Oregon, one public poll last week had Smith tied with his opponent, Jeff Merkley, at 47-47, and another had him down 46-41.

My sources on both sides tell me that the 47-47 number is closer to the truth than the one with Smith down five points, but it is clear that Smith has an uphill battle to keep his seat. He did receive a boost over the weekend when the state's largest newspaper, *The Oregonian*, endorsed his bid for re-election. Reichert has also fared well in the newspaper endorsement battle – he has received the endorsement of every major newspaper in his district, including the *Seattle P-I*, *The Seattle Times* and *The News Tribune* (Tacoma).

### **Washington Governor – is this Dino's year?**

Because Obama is a guaranteed winner in Washington state, the most watched and discussed race here is for governor, which remains super tight. A public poll last week had Governor Gregoire at 48 and her opponent, Dino Rossi, at 47. As you've heard me say several times this year, an incumbent under 50 is in serious trouble because undecided voters generally break for challengers by a 2 to 1 margin.

As I cautioned about Obama, this race is certainly Governor Gregoire's to lose – and right now, the momentum seems to be with Rossi. He and his third-party supporters will spend more money than the Governor and her third-party supporters between now and Election Day, and

while Rossi supporters sense impending victory, the Governor's team is worried and sending anxious messages to her supporters. Also, my sources on the Democratic side tell me repeatedly that they're nervous about the Governor's chances. So one camp is excited, and the other is very nervous. While this is certainly not a litmus test on election results, it does reflect the overall mood of the two campaigns.

In the newspaper endorsement battle, the Governor has the majority of the Puget Sound dailies, while Rossi has fared well in other areas of the state. The most notable endorsement came this past Sunday when Washington's largest newspaper, *The Seattle Times*, supported Rossi. That endorsement should further boost the optimism of his supporters.

There will be more public polls released this week, which will likely show the race remaining close. And, mail-in ballots started arriving in Washington state homes late last week, which means this race will get even more intense.

Predictions come next week, but my advice to Rossi supporters mirrors that of Obama supporters – clear your schedules for a Rossi inauguration in January, but don't make any reservations yet. Things look very promising for Rossi, but this race could easily turn the Governor's way in the final days.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Sonya Baskerville  
FR: Tony Williams  
DT: April 1, 2008  
RE: March 2008 Statement of Work

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Due to a two-week congressional recess, March 2008 was largely a quiet month. Here is an overview of my activities for BPA last month:

- Phone meeting with the Administrator re: ongoing projects with the White House and OMB.
- Meetings with congressional staff in Washington state for recess. Discussed 20-year contracts and residential exchange with several staffers.
- Phone meeting with BPA staff re: communications with staff and Members of Congress for the rest of the year.

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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Sonya Baskerville  
FR: Tony Williams  
DT: May 1, 2008  
RE: April 2008 Statement of Work

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The following is an overview of my work for BPA in April 2008:

- Conf call meeting the Administrator re: the MOA with the tribes. Met with and talked on the phone with several congressional staff from the Northwest. Shared that intelligence with the Administrator and his key staff.
- Spent a day at BPA-HQ where I met privately with the Administrator, had a brainstorming session with public affairs staff re: communications, and met with BPA senior staff re: next steps in D.C. on 20-year contracts.
- Made two trips to Washington, D.C. where I met with congressional staff about BPA issues.

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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Sonya Baskerville  
FR: Tony Williams  
DT: June 2, 2008  
RE: May 2008 Statement of Work

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The following is an overview of my work for BPA in May 2008:

- I made two trips to Washington, D.C. where I visited with several Members of Congress from the Northwest, and their staffs. During these visits, I answered questions about BPA's MOU with the Columbia River tribes, as well as other topics.
- I had two phone meetings with the Administrator re: the BPA MOU with the Columbia River tribes.
- I gathered political intelligence on the climate change in the U.S. Senate, and share that information with BPA staff.

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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Sonya Baskerville  
FR: Tony Williams  
DT: July 1, 2008  
RE: June 2008 Statement of Work

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The following is an overview of my activities for BPA in June 2008:

- I made two trips to Washington, D.C. where I visited with numerous Northwest Members of Congress and their staffs. In each meeting, issues related to energy and the Northwest hydropower system were discussed.
- I met with the D.C. office to discuss ongoing projects – most of our time was spent discussing the initiatives we need to undertake in order to complete the 20-year contracts this year.
- I participated in a series of phone meetings with the BPA Administrator and local officials re: the Grays Harbor mill issue.
- The Administrator talked by phone re: ongoing issues.

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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Sonya Baskerville  
FR: Tony Williams  
DT: August 1, 2008  
RE: July 2008 Statement of Work

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Here is an overview of my work for BPA in July 2008:

- Participated in a conference call with BPA senior management on the process for completing 20-year contracts by the end of the year.
- I had a series of meetings in Washington, D.C. with key congressional staff where I updated Members and staff on the 20-year contracts, and the process ahead to complete them.
- I traveled to Portland to meet with the Administrator and go over ongoing initiatives.
- I participated in a series of phone calls that were a follow-up to negotiations that were a follow-up to the Cosmopolis agreement.

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Sonya Baskerville  
FR: Tony Williams  
DT: September 1, 2008  
RE: August 2008 Statement of Work

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Here is an overview of my work for BPA in August 2008:

- I had two phone meetings with the Administrator where we discussed a number of ongoing projects, including: 20-year contracts, update on the Redden court, and a number of local public-private utility issues.
- I met with a number of congressional staff Members in the Northwest for the August congressional recess.
- I answered questions via phone and met in person with top staff from key Washington state congressional Members interested in issues related to the Ferndale aluminum plant.

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Sonya Baskerville  
FR: Tony Williams  
DT: October 1, 2008  
RE: September 2008 Statement of Work

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The following is an overview of my activities for BPA in September 2008:

- Conducted outreach with key congressional staff and regional opinion leaders in advance of the Administrator's trip to Washington, D.C.. Gathered intelligence helpful to the Administration as he prepared for his visits with congressional leaders in D.C.
- I had several meetings in Washington, D.C. with key congressional staff in advance of the Administrator's trip. Top issues discussed during my meetings were residential exchange, negotiations with DSI's, the latest news from Judge Redden's courtroom, and a general update on long-term contracts.
- I had a conference call with the Administrator to brief him on my meetings in Washington, D.C., and to help him finalize his presentation for congressional leaders.
- I had a number of meetings by phone with key congressional staff following the Administrator's trip to Washington, D.C. Any key information gathered from those phone calls were shared with the Administrator.

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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Sonya Baskerville  
FR: Tony Williams  
DT: November 1, 2008  
RE: October 2008 Statement of Work

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The following is an overview of my services for BPA in October 2008:

- I made two trips to Washington, D.C. where I met with senior congressional staff, and I've had several meetings in the Northwest this month with senior congressional staff who are in the region because Congress is in recess.
- I had several phone calls with congressional staff from around the region re: the negotiations with Alcoa.
- I had several phone calls with congressional staff about the possibility of a stimulus bill taking place post-election, and whether Northwest energy infrastructure provisions could be included in such legislation.
- I had two conference calls with the BPA Administration this month about ongoing issues and projects.

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