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From: Lee, Stephen

Sent: Tuesday, September 10, 2019 12:03 PM
To: Christopher Vaccaro - NOAA Federal
Subject: RE: Media inquiry from Bloomberg

Many thanks. Will use this and will contact Commerce.

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From: Christopher Vaccaro - NOAA Federal [mailto:christopher.vaccaro@noaa.gov]

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Hi Stephen-

Thanks for reaching out. You may wish to contact DOC Public Affairs for additional comment (<u>PublicAffairs@doc.gov</u>).

Regarding NOAA's scientific independence, NOAA's policies on scientific integrity and communications are among the strongest in the federal government, and get high marks from third party observers.

On Tue, Sep 10, 2019 at 11:46 AM Lee, Stephen < stephenlee@bloombergenvironment.com wrote:

Hi, Christopher. Just wondering what NOAA's most recent statement on the recent Dorian controversy is. We're doing a story today about Congressional Democrats demanding answers and sending letters to your agency about what happened. Have any procedures been put in place to protect NOAA's scientific independence going forward?

On deadline for 1:30. Many thanks.

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