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Thank you,

John

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**Lyle Bankhead**

Re: Big Sky Investigation

To: John Meyer

3:10 PM



Good afternoon Mr. Meyer,

Yes, I can confirm this information was referred to the EPA Criminal Investigative Division and I can confirm I am investigating the information you have reported to EPA.

Respectfully,

-Lyle Bankhead

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On Apr 30, 2024, at 2:35PM, John Meyer <[john@cottonwoodlaw.org](mailto:john@cottonwoodlaw.org)> wrote:

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