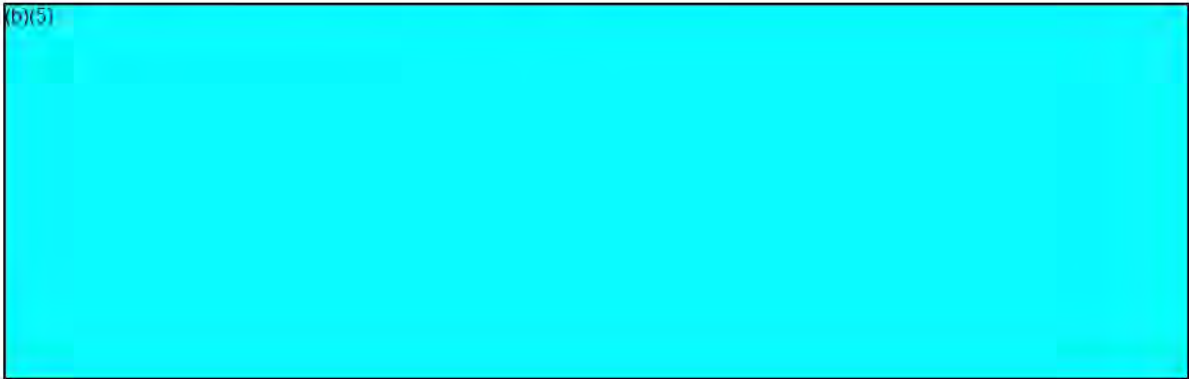


**From:** Bradsher, Tanya J.  
**Sent:** Thu, 8 Apr 2021 22:05:35 +0000  
**To:** DRM;Hipolit, Richard (OGC)  
**Subject:** RE: From Denis

Sir and Dick,  
Is this softer while still getting the point across?

Tom,

(b)(5)



Denis

**Tanya Bradsher**  
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**From:** DRM (b)(6)@va.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 8, 2021 6:01 PM  
**To:** Hipolit, Richard (OGC) (b)(6)@va.gov>; Bradsher, Tanya J. (b)(6)@va.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: From Denis

Thanks, Dick. I will use this language as my reply to Tom. It is stark, but I trust you have given this close consideration.

Thanks again,  
DM

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**From:** Hipolit, Richard (OGC) (b)(6)@va.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 8, 2021 16:49  
**To:** DRM; Bradsher, Tanya J.  
**Subject:** RE: From Denis

I am forwarding draft language for your use in responding to Tom Murphy's email of April 6<sup>th</sup> concerning the issues raised by Senator Grassley.

Tom,

(b)(5)



Denis

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**From:** DRM (b)(6) <[redacted]@va.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 8, 2021 4:36 PM  
**To:** Hipolit, Richard (OGC) (b)(6) <[redacted]@va.gov>  
**Cc:** Bradsher, Tanya J. (b)(6) <[redacted]@va.gov>  
**Subject:** From Denis

Dick,

Can you please propose some language that I can use to respond to Tom Murphy's email of earlier this week?

Thanks,  
DM