

**From:** London, Sarah  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 21, 2015 6:37 PM  
**To:** Erin Mansfield  
**Subject:** Fwd: Your request

Erin, see below and attached. ACCD needs more time to produce records, I think you will hear from them tomorrow. Thanks,  
Sarah

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "London, Sarah" <[Sarah.London@state.vt.us](mailto:Sarah.London@state.vt.us)>  
**To:** "Paul Heintz" <[paul@sevendaysvt.com](mailto:paul@sevendaysvt.com)>  
**Subject:** Your request

Hi Paul, attached please find records in response to your public records act request dated July 7, 2015. We have redacted personal contact information pursuant to 1 VSA 317(c)(7) and commercially sensitive information pursuant to 1 VSA 317(c)(9). The same records withheld from the WatchDog production were withheld in response to this request as executive privileged communications pursuant to 1 VSA 317(c)(1) and (c)(4) – specifically, the withheld records are substantive communications regarding a draft press release amounting to approximately 30 pages.

If you feel any information has been withheld in error, you may appeal to the Governor's Chief of Staff, Darren Springer, pursuant to 1 VSA 318.

I understand you are making additional public record act requests of this office, including requests for EB-5 related communications and SEC related communications. Now that we have completed this request, we will start to process your additional requests and will be in touch.

Thank you,

Sarah

## Coriell, Scott

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**From:** Getler, Al <agetler@burlingt.gannett.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 12, 2015 9:37 AM  
**To:** Becky Cassidy; Ron Redmond; Kelly Devine; Thomas Torti  
**Cc:** Shannon, Tammy; Townsend, Mike; Coriell, Scott  
**Subject:** Red Nose Day - Proclamation Event

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Finally, to give you an idea of the potential success of this first annual day, Walgreens made and SOLD OUT of 5 million noses for the event nationwide. NBC will put on a two hour star-studded special on May 21.

Thanks,  
Al

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**From:** Getler, Al <agetler@burlingt.gannett.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 12, 2015 10:51 AM  
**To:** Becky Cassidy; Ron Redmond; Kelly Devine; Thomas Torti  
**Cc:** Shannon, Tammy; Townsend, Mike; Coriell, Scott  
**Subject:** RE: Red Nose Day - Proclamation Event

Sorry, my bad. Proclamation reading is in front of City Hall.

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**From:** Bourgeois, Kiersten  
**Sent:** Monday, May 18, 2015 7:17 AM  
**To:** Coriell, Scott; Torti, Tom; Miller, Elizabeth  
**Cc:** Kunin, Lisa  
**Subject:** Canadian Press Event 5-20

Hi Scott – FYI, our event on the 20<sup>th</sup> will be at the Hilton, not the Sheraton. Our guests will arrive around 1PM.

Not sure how you envision this – do you want the Gov to make the announcement prior to their arrival? Or do you want them to actually be a part of it? If so, we need to let the reps from Montreal Ouest, et. al. know. Also, will this include Tom's VT/Canada initiative, too?

Thanks,  
Kiersten

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## Coriell, Scott

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**From:** Bourgeois, Kiersten  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 19, 2015 9:59 AM  
**To:** Miller, Elizabeth; Kunin, Lisa  
**Cc:** Coriell, Scott; Torti, Tom; Moulton, Pat  
**Subject:** RE: QC-VT draft KB.docx  
**Attachments:** Mission Attendees.xlsx

Good morning,

We just had our last prep call with the team that is coordinating this on the Quebec side, Ms. Lourdes Fretes, Senior Export Counselor for CIQMO (Commerce International Quebec Monteregie Ouest) and Mr. Armando Padilla-Zarco, Development Director & International Trade Counselor for CIQMO. Their colleague, Mr. Joseph Tuccinardi, handles the large industrial sector projects. And finally, Mr. Eric Souillac represents Canada Economic Development (fed employee) and serves as the Economic Development Director for the Greater Montreal area. For those of you who like org charts, this will help understand who Eric is: <http://www.dec-ced.gc.ca/eng/agency/chart/organizational.html>

We will be hosting about 20 guests, the majority of whom represent private sector businesses. I have attached the list. We have a good variety of participants, including food-related business owners, metal fab business reps and lighting designers/mfrs. Disregard the cells highlighted in red -- that was something that the Quebec team did. We confirmed this AM that this entire list of folks are planning to attend.

They won't be arriving much before 1:15-1:30 -- they confirmed that they will leave Champlain around 12 or 12:30.

Our team is prepped and ready to roll for tomorrow.

I will get you TPs for the Gov (for the event itself) in just a sec.

Thanks,  
Kiersten

| Company                                     | Contact            | Product/Service   | Title                                 |
|---|--------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| Agrocentre Belcan                           | Catherine Verdonck | Soybeans/corn products  | Grain procurement and service advisor |
| AllerAir                                    | Sam Teitelbaum     | Manufacturer of air purification equipment for residential, commercial and industrial applications. | Président                             |
| Axsera inc.                                 | Frank Head         | Telecom services and products   | Logistics Manager                     |
| BioSpeciMan                                 | Jacques Brideau    | Biopharm storage  | Directeur de l'exploitation           |
| Collège de Valleyfield                      | Patrick Fortin     | CEGEP/Public Uni  | Conseiller aux entreprises            |
| DEC   | Éric Souillac      | Eco dev   | Conseiller                            |
| Développement Économique Lasalle            | Marianne Wurm      | Eco dev   | Economic Development Commissioner     |
| Entreprise Bazz inc.                        | Jocelyne Brosseau  | Lighting design and production  | Controlleuse                          |
| Groupe Premiere Moisson inc.                | Alexandre Sabourin | Artisan breads, pastries  | Coordonateur Logistique               |
| Industrie Billette                          | Jocelyn Billette   | Custom steel fab  | Représentant                          |
| Les constructions de Mausolées Carrier inc. | Vincent Crozet     | Mausoleum mfr   | Directeur d'usine                     |
| Les constructions de Mausolées Carrier inc. | Éric Jean          | Mausoleum mfr   | V-P division columbarium              |
| L'Hermine SENC                              | Chantal Ouhmet     | Maple Syrup   | Co-Propriétaire                       |
| Liquid Capital Finnovation inc.             | Clarence Rebeiro   | Alternative Financing   | Président                             |
| Melan Inc.                                  | Garo Nazarian      | Printing  |                                       |
| Robert Mosher Transport                     | Kevin Mosher       | Bonded Trucking Company   | Président                             |
| Robert Mosher Transport                     | Nancy Caron        | Bonded Trucking Company   | Commodity Manager                     |
| EXMO  | Joseph Tuccinardi  | Eco dev   | Directeur grandes entreprises         |
| CIQMO                                       | Armando Padilla    | Eco dev   | Commissaire à l'international         |
| CIQMO                                       | Lourdes Fretes     | Eco dev   | Senior international counselor        |

## Coriell, Scott

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**From:** Miller, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 20, 2015 8:03 AM  
**To:** Torti, Tom; Coriell, Scott  
**Subject:** Fwd: Today's press release

See below

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** "Moulton, Pat" <[Pat.Moulton@state.vt.us](mailto:Pat.Moulton@state.vt.us)>  
**Date:** May 20, 2015 at 8:01:57 AM EDT  
**To:** "Miller, Elizabeth" <[Elizabeth.Miller@state.vt.us](mailto:Elizabeth.Miller@state.vt.us)>, "Bourgeois, Kiersten" <[Kiersten.Bourgeois@state.vt.us](mailto:Kiersten.Bourgeois@state.vt.us)>, "Kunin, Lisa" <[Lisa.Kunin@state.vt.us](mailto:Lisa.Kunin@state.vt.us)>  
**Subject:** **Today's press release**

I shared the press release with Betsy last night. She would like to have the reference to VAAA taken out. She's okay that the press release references building on other efforts underway.

Pat

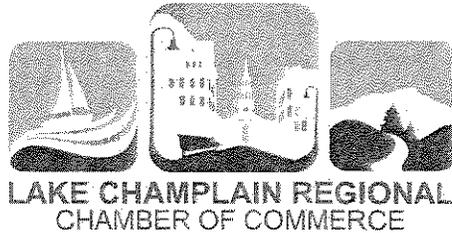
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## Coriell, Scott

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**From:** Tom Torti <tom@vermont.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 20, 2015 8:53 AM  
**To:** Coriell, Scott  
**Subject:** FINAL: VQEI Press Release  
**Attachments:** VQEI Press Release.docx

This should make everyone happy



**Lake Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce and Greater Burlington Industrial Corporation Host Montreal Ouest Trade Group and Quebec Business Leaders**

***Governor Shumlin and Legislative Leaders Attend Meeting and Expand Commitment to Strengthening Quebec Trade Opportunities***

Governor Peter Shumlin, President Pro Tem John Campbell, Speaker of the House Shap Smith, and Tom Torti, President of the Lake Champlain Chamber of Commerce, today announced expanded commitments to Vermont-Quebec economic development, during a prospect visit by companies interested in learning more about doing business in Vermont. The event, hosted by the Lake Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce, is part of their Vermont-Quebec Enterprise Initiative; an effort to position Vermont as the location of choice for Quebec companies looking to locate operations in the United States.

“I am very pleased to join LCRCC, Commerce International Quebec Monteregie Ouest, and Vermont and Quebec business leaders to strengthen our collective economic ties and highlight our efforts to place an even higher priority on working with our partners in Quebec and beyond”, said Gov. Shumlin. “Vermont and Quebec share more than just a border. We have a strong history of economic ties and business opportunities to build upon.”

Since 2003, a Vermont-Quebec cooperation agreement has been in place on issues critical to both governments. Issues in the agreement include economic development, energy, the environment, security, tourism, transportation, and agriculture. A recent visit by Quebec Premier Couillard to Burlington reaffirmed both governments’ commitment to strengthening this partnership.

The LCRCC has increased its longstanding Vermont-Canadian trade work in the past several months to ensure that Vermont is not only viewed as a premier vacation destination but also a desirable location for Quebec and other Canada-based businesses to base U.S. operations and supply chain partners. In March, LCRCC hosted a meeting between the Premier and Governor with key Vermont business interests and economic development leaders. During that visit, the Premier and Governor Shumlin agreed to work concretely to further Vermont-Quebec economic and direct business ties through their respective representatives, trade organizations, and private partners.

The Governor and the Vermont Legislature greatly assisted these efforts by providing in this year’s economic development bill funding for not only statewide economic development

marketing but also \$100,000 specifically for targeted marketing and business expansion initiatives to Quebec-based businesses, including conducting business outreach activities, promoting partnerships with Vermont businesses throughout the State, and facilitating site selection opportunities throughout the State.

"The time is right for us to step up our efforts to partner with Quebec business interests here in Vermont," said President Pro Tem John Campbell and Speaker Shap Smith. "The Legislature's support of funding to advance this effort will help strengthen trade opportunities and promote Vermont as a place for new investment from Quebec businesses in need of supply chain and other U.S.-based opportunities."

The Vermont-Quebec Enterprise Initiative is a cooperative effort guided by the Agency of Commerce and Community Development, in conjunction with the Lake Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce and its collaborative partner the Greater Burlington Industrial Corporation (GBIC). Increased support of recruitment and business expansion activities will assist the Agency and its partners with their efforts to support a thriving private sector economy.

The Agency of Commerce and Community Development will deploy the funding appropriated by the Legislature to the LCRCC to allow the Vermont-Quebec Enterprise Initiative to strengthen its Quebec-Vermont business ties statewide, through creation of direct business-to-business opportunities, promotion of Vermont's assets to site selectors and consultants and other projects to promote investment. From Husky to Revision and Appalachian Flooring, Vermont has a history of success with U.S.-based locations for Canadian companies but it must do more to build upon these past successes.

Tom Torti, President of the Lake Champlain Chamber of Commerce, stressed the importance of enhancing Vermont's position as home to a thriving business ecosystem. "I look forward to working with the Governor and his team further this vision," Torti said. "We have a great story to tell and many strong assets that we will capitalize upon, including our excellent workforce training programs, robust telecommunications infrastructure, world class academic and medical institutions, and accessible governmental partners, all supported by employees known for their unrivaled work ethic."

## Coriell, Scott

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**From:** Bourgeois, Kiersten  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 26, 2015 7:38 AM  
**To:** Miller, Elizabeth; Springer, Darren; Coriell, Scott; Torti, Tom  
**Cc:** Moulton, Pat; Kunin, Lisa  
**Subject:** St. A Messenger Editorial Re: Quebec Announcement  
**Attachments:** St. Albans Messenger Editorial 23May15.pdf

FYI. Keenan gave me a heads up on this late Friday afternoon.

Tom and I will be meeting with Tim Smith sometime this week, as well as w/ the two other RDCs to clarify things, solicit their input, etc.

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# A \$100,000 discussion that needs resetting

In Burlington earlier this week Gov. Peter Shumlin, House Speaker L. Shap Smith and various leaders announced a \$100,000 economic development effort with Lake Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce to lure business in Quebec to Vermont.

As Mr. Smith noted, "It's a market that's 90 miles away -- I guess depending on how fast you drive and how far away, or easy it is to get across the border -- but it's one that is probably not tapped as much as we can."

Actually it's 70 miles, not 90 miles.

It's 90 miles to Burlington, 70 miles to St. Albans, and 61 miles from Montreal to Swanton.

Why would the state appropriate \$100,000 to the Lake Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce to draw Quebec businesses to Chittenden County bypassing Franklin County?

Or is that that a misinterpretation of legislative intent?

According to the wording in S. 133, the legislation including the appropriation, it reads: "(2) \$100,000.00 to the Agency of Commerce and Community Development to implement a targeted marketing and business expansion initiative for Quebec-based businesses, including conducting business outreach activities, promoting partnerships with Vermont businesses throughout the State, and facilitating site selection and collocation at sites throughout the State."

Nowhere in the legislation do we read Lake Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce.

The money itself comes from the Vermont Enterprise Fund, which was initially set aside by the governor to help IBM. According to reports, the Lake Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce had been working with the governor's office for several weeks before adjournment to secure the money.

Tom Torti, president of the chamber, was reported as saying most of the money would be spent hiring a new staffer.

If, according to the legislation, the money is something to be used "throughout the state", then why would it be centered in Burlington?

This is what happens when last second negotiations take place in conference committees seconds before adjournment. There is little to no communication and what one group hears, another does not.

The state's regional development corporations [save perhaps GRIC] knew nothing about the Quebec initiative.

That's particularly galling to groups like Franklin County Industrial Development Corporation, which has an extensive history with Quebec businesses. FCIDC has spent \$30,000 of its own money in the last several years pursuing the same initiatives.

Perhaps it should be reimbursed?

What's bothersome about this kerfuffle is that economic development in Vermont is next to impossible even when the communication is good. When the communication is poor, and when the effort ends up creating tensions internally, then it becomes even more difficult to get something done.

Thus, the reset button needs to be hit on this venture.

The money needs to be sent directly to the Agency of Commerce and Community Development. It is the agency's responsibility to spend the money in a manner that is most effective and most inclusive.

It stands to reason that it makes no sense to coax Quebec businesses into Chittenden County bypassing Franklin and Grand Isle counties. This is a shared feeling by the folks in Lamoille, and Orleans, and Essex counties.

It is probably a bit confusing to the folks in Quebec as well. Why would we be shoveling them toward Burlington as a sole destination? Something wrong with the rest of us that they need to know?

The agency, under the direction of Pat Moulton, is best equipped to bring the conversation back to a politically neutral position. She's the one who understands the need for the regional development directors to be in the loop and to be part of the discussion as to how Vermont's economic development efforts can best be coordinated to maximize the investment in approaching Quebec businesses.

It's a good conversation to have. It's a good direction. No region offers more immediate potential than the province of Quebec. But how we proceed is a conversation that needs to be more inclusive than what this week's news conference in Burlington showed. This is the problem with last second negotiations in conference committees with no time for discussion.

by Emerson Lynn

**From:** Tom Torti <[tom@vermont.org](mailto:tom@vermont.org)>  
**Date:** June 1, 2015 at 3:59:22 PM EDT  
**To:** "Springer, Darren" <[Darren.Springer@state.vt.us](mailto:Darren.Springer@state.vt.us)>  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting to Discuss VT-Quebec-Canada Trade

Absolutely. I spoke to Lisa earlier and asked her to join us.

We are making good progress in terms of setting up the advisory group and reaching out to the RDC's. Both St. J and Lamoille County are absolutely OK with the VQEI and happy to collaborate. We are meeting with Franklin County on Wednesday. Also, on Wednesday, we are having a follow up meeting to the 5/20 event at 9 at my office. Please attend if you have the time. We'll be discussing specific outreach efforts with the 3-4 live prospects that we have.

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**From:** Springer, Darren [<mailto:Darren.Springer@state.vt.us>]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 1, 2015 3:50 PM  
**To:** Torti, Tom  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting to Discuss VT-Quebec-Canada Trade

Hi Tom,

Ok if Lisa Kunin joins this lunch? She is doing some regional work for us with Quebec and will be in Burlington with me for the mtg later that day at 2pm.

Thanks,  
Darren

-----Original Appointment-----

**From:** [tom@vermont.org](mailto:tom@vermont.org) [<mailto:tom@vermont.org>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 26, 2015 2:39 PM  
**To:** Torti, Tom; 'Matthiesen, Birgit'; Bourgeois, Kiersten; Springer, Darren; Miller-EXE, Elizabeth  
**Subject:** Meeting to Discuss VT-Quebec-Canada Trade  
**When:** Friday, June 12, 2015 12:00 PM-1:30 PM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).  
**Where:** Ice House -- Battery St. Burlington

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Note: The GMT offset above does not reflect daylight saving time adjustments.

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**From:** Tom Torti <[tom@vermont.org](mailto:tom@vermont.org)>  
**Date:** May 27, 2015 at 11:19:44 AM EDT  
**To:** "Miller, Elizabeth" <[Elizabeth.Miller@state.vt.us](mailto:Elizabeth.Miller@state.vt.us)>  
**Cc:** "Springer, Darren" <[Darren.Springer@state.vt.us](mailto:Darren.Springer@state.vt.us)>  
**Subject:** RE: Advisory Board: Granquist -- Gov's Office position

Thanks

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

**From:** Miller, Elizabeth [<mailto:Elizabeth.Miller@state.vt.us>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 27, 2015 11:14 AM  
**To:** Torti, Tom  
**Cc:** Springer, Darren  
**Subject:** Re: Advisory Board: Granquist -- Gov's Office position

On first yes

Oliver Olsen thought he'd be willing and it would align with other appointment I mentioned. Governor thinks it is great idea. Needs to be executed but I expect he'd be willing given intersection of SVt Econ initiative in bill.

On two not yet by me; have had a few convos but haven't advanced yet. Do have it on my list.

Sent from my iPhone

On May 27, 2015, at 11:11 AM, Tom Torti  
<[tom@vermont.org](mailto:tom@vermont.org)<<mailto:tom@vermont.org>>> wrote:

Hi:

Two questions: Did you get anywhere with the idea that Wayne Granquist could serve on the advisory committee and any further conversation on transferring the position..that would make getting this done a lot simpler

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**From:** "Moulton, Pat" <[Pat.Moulton@state.vt.us](mailto:Pat.Moulton@state.vt.us)>  
**Date:** June 4, 2015 at 4:35:33 PM EDT  
**To:** "Kunin, Lisa" <[Lisa.Kunin@state.vt.us](mailto:Lisa.Kunin@state.vt.us)>  
**Cc:** "Bourgeois, Kiersten" <[Kiersten.Bourgeois@state.vt.us](mailto:Kiersten.Bourgeois@state.vt.us)>, "Torti, Tom" <[Tom@vermont.org](mailto:Tom@vermont.org)>, "Springer, Darren" <[Darren.Springer@state.vt.us](mailto:Darren.Springer@state.vt.us)>, "Trombley, Shana" <[Shana.Trombley@state.vt.us](mailto:Shana.Trombley@state.vt.us)>  
**Subject:** Re: US Consulate in Montreal

Excellent! Thanks!

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On Jun 4, 2015, at 4:14 PM, "Kunin, Lisa" <[Lisa.Kunin@state.vt.us](mailto:Lisa.Kunin@state.vt.us)> wrote:

Just a quick update. I had a call today with Jesse Potter, Political and Economic Affairs Officer at the U.S. Consulate in Montreal. It was a very good conversation – he had done his research and asked about the Vermont-Quebec Enterprise Initiative. He also relayed that the Consulate and its commerce folks are very excited about helping us plan a trade mission this fall.

Jesse is going to speak with the Consul General on Monday (she's traveling this week), and get back to me about how she would like to proceed in terms of reaching out/connecting with the Quebec Delegate in Boston. He is also researching the Quebec calendar of events to see if there might be upcoming conference that might help us maximize the visit.

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**Date:** June 1, 2015 at 11:48:51 AM EDT  
**To:** "Torti, Tom" <[Tom@vermont.org](mailto:Tom@vermont.org)>  
**Cc:** "Sand, Robert" <[Robert.Sand@state.vt.us](mailto:Robert.Sand@state.vt.us)>, "Springer, Darren" <[Darren.Springer@state.vt.us](mailto:Darren.Springer@state.vt.us)>  
**Subject:** RE: NGA's Reducing Prescription Drug Abuse Conference in Burlington

Thanks for the prompt reply, Tom. We will definitely let you know if we need any support.

No cross-border folks coming to this one, only US State teams. But will certainly let you know as any events involving our Northern partners come together in the future.

Best,  
Aly

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

**From:** Tom Torti [<mailto:tom@vermont.org>]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 01, 2015 11:40 AM  
**To:** Richards, Alyson  
**Cc:** Sand, Robert; Springer, Darren  
**Subject:** RE: NGA's Reducing Prescription Drug Abuse Conference in Burlington

Aly:

Thanks for letting me know. If you need anything from the Chamber or Convention Bureau, please let me know. Happy to help in any way we can.

Are there any Canadian-Quebec (federal or provincial) folks coming? If so, maybe we can work some cross-border trade discussions into the mix.

Tom T

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

**From:** Richards, Alyson [<mailto:Alyson.Richards@state.vt.us>]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 1, 2015 10:08 AM  
**To:** Torti, Tom

Cc: Sand, Robert; Springer, Darren  
Subject: NGA's Reducing Prescription Drug Abuse Conference in Burlington

Dear Tom,

Hope all is well! I wanted to give you a heads up that the National Governor's Association will be coming to town to host the closing meeting of this year's NGA Reducing Prescription Drug Abuse Academy at the Burlington Hilton from Monday, June 8 to Tuesday, June 9 at 2pm.

Governor Shumlin co-hosted this year's Academy with Nevada Governor Brian Sandoval, and will be kicking off this meeting which will consist of state teams from the six participating states, as well as NGA staff and content experts. There will probably be around 50 people involved.

Here is the link with the details for the event:

<http://www.event.com/events/nga-state-policy-academy-on-reducing-prescription-drug-abuse/event-summary-42b36d4a12904d17814bf0de389cad8d.aspx>

Please let me know if you have any further questions or concerns. We just wanted to be sure we were staying in touch as groups like this come into town for events.

Thanks and hope to see you soon.

Best,  
Aly

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**From:** "Bourgeois, Kiersten" <Kiersten.Bourgeois@state.vt.us>  
**Date:** May 28, 2015 at 1:18:05 PM EDT  
**To:** "Kunin, Lisa" <Lisa.Kunin@state.vt.us>, "Moulton, Pat" <Pat.Moulton@state.vt.us>, "Springer, Darren" <Darren.Springer@state.vt.us>, "Torti, Tom" <Tom@vermont.org>  
**Subject:** RE: Vermont-Quebec Efforts - quick update

Thanks, Lisa! This is fantastic.

We are working on specific follow-up packages for each participant from the 5-20 event that was held in Burlington and will be coordinating with the VT team (S. Miller, M. Keller, et.al.) next week to make sure that we collaborate. We are also doing some one-on-one outreach with certain folks to talk about how the VQEI will work to assure that this will be a statewide effort.

Finally, we have followed up with Claudine Carpentier of the FCCQ to see when we might be able to go to Mtl and review specific ideas for the MOU with the VQEI. I'll try to schedule that and perhaps a visit to the Montreal Ouest team on the same day. We are trying to confirm a date before summer holidays commence.

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**From:** Kunin, Lisa  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 28, 2015 1:10 PM  
**To:** Moulton, Pat; Bourgeois, Kiersten; Springer, Darren; Torti, Tom  
**Subject:** Vermont-Quebec Efforts - quick update

Just a quick update:

1. Quebec Trip: I have reached out to Marie-Claude Francoeur, Quebec Delegate to New England, to inform her that the Governor would like to follow up on his conversation with the Premier about a fall visit to Quebec for economic development/trade meetings. The Premier's Chief of Staff, Jean-Louis Dufresne, participated in this conversation, so in the interest of ensuring the Premier's office and the Quebec Boston office are both aware of upcoming plans, I have asked Marie-Claude if we might schedule a conference with the two of them and our office.
2. U.S. Consulate Montreal: The Governor is supportive of having the U.S. Consulate in Montreal assist with the planning of a fall trade mission. He had a brief conversation with Consul General Nina Fite about this at the March 23<sup>rd</sup> dinner with the Premier. I will reach out to C.G.'s office once I have connected with the Premier's office.

3. Meeting with Marie-Claude Francoeur: I have suggested to Marie-Claude that if she plans to be in Vermont, we think it would helpful to have her meet with Darren, Justin Johnson and members of the Governor's team working on trade and economic development issues. She travels to New Hampshire most weekends, so I am hopeful that we might be arrange a meeting in the coming month.
4. I do not have any changes to the Vermont-Quebec Enterprise Initiative circulated by Tom yesterday;
5. The Governor's letters to the Quebec businesses (as well as the condolence to Armando Padilla) were mailed Wednesday morning. I have attached a scanned copy.

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**From:** "Kunin, Lisa" <[Lisa.Kunin@state.vt.us](mailto:Lisa.Kunin@state.vt.us)>  
**Date:** May 26, 2015 at 12:43:29 PM EDT  
**To:** "Bourgeois, Kiersten" <[Kiersten.Bourgeois@state.vt.us](mailto:Kiersten.Bourgeois@state.vt.us)>  
**Cc:** "Miller, Elizabeth" <[Elizabeth.Miller@state.vt.us](mailto:Elizabeth.Miller@state.vt.us)>, "Springer, Darren" <[Darren.Springer@state.vt.us](mailto:Darren.Springer@state.vt.us)>, "Torti, Tom" <[Tom@vermont.org](mailto:Tom@vermont.org)>  
**Subject:** RE: Debrief - Montreal Ouest/Monteregie Meeting

Hi Kiersten,  
I would be happy to participate in the follow-up meeting. Just let me know the date and time.

Thanks,  
Lisa

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**From:** Bourgeois, Kiersten  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 26, 2015 11:42 AM  
**To:** Kunin, Lisa  
**Cc:** Miller, Elizabeth; Springer, Darren; Torti, Tom  
**Subject:** Debrief - Montreal Ouest/Monteregie Meeting

Hi Lisa – we have scheduled a meeting with the participants of the 5-20 event (S. Miller, D. Baker, G. Maguire, M. Keller, A. Simenon, R. Casey and I. Sutherland) to talk about follow-up, coordination and next steps.

We want to extend this invitation to you as well in the event you are able/want to participate.

Thanks!

**Kiersten Bourgeois** | Senior Project Manager  
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**Mishaan, Jessica**

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**From:** Miller, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Monday, March 09, 2015 10:47 AM  
**To:** Torti, Tom  
**Subject:** Re: Bank

Great  
Thx

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 9, 2015, at 10:06 AM, Tom Torti <[tom@vermont.org](mailto:tom@vermont.org)> wrote:

Got email from Mike. Different tonal quality than what I think LM heard from him. Not supportive.....

**Mishaan, Jessica**

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**From:** Miller, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 15, 2015 4:44 PM  
**To:** Torti, Tom  
**Subject:** HAC draft re: labor savings fyi  
**Attachments:** W~House Committee on Appropriations~FY2016 Draft Labor Savings Approaches~3-13-2015.pdf; ATT00001.txt

<http://legislature.vermont.gov/assets/Documents/2016/WorkGroups/House%20Appropriations/FY2016%20State%20Budget/W~House%20Committee%20on%20Appropriations~FY2016%20Draft%20Labor%20Savings%20Approaches~3-13-2015.pdf>

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**From:** Miller, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 15, 2015 4:45 PM  
**To:** Torti, Tom  
**Subject:** 4239\_001.pdf HAC document re labor savings  
**Attachments:** 4239\_001.pdf; ATT00001.txt

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## Mishaan, Jessica

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**From:** Miller, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Monday, March 16, 2015 5:40 PM  
**To:** Torti, Tom  
**Cc:** Kunin, Lisa  
**Subject:** Re: Quebec Premier's Visit

Agreed. I received good briefing material for this today; will send it over with a proposed agenda and we can chat! thanks again for the help on this - really appreciated.

Elizabeth H. Miller  
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On Mar 16, 2015, at 4:56 PM, Work <[tom@vermont.org](mailto:tom@vermont.org)> wrote:

Hi Lisa and Liz:

They are very serious about rolling up their sleeves and using this as a working meeting. So, we should have a tight agenda.

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Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Catherine Z. Davis" <[cathy@vermont.org](mailto:cathy@vermont.org)>  
**Date:** March 16, 2015 at 3:18:37 PM EDT  
**To:** Tom Torti <[tom@vermont.org](mailto:tom@vermont.org)>, Lisa Quinlan <[quinlan@vermont.org](mailto:quinlan@vermont.org)>  
**Subject:** Quebec Premier's Visit

Tom-

Here is a list of what they would like- let me know how you'd like to handle. I put names next to each item.

-We should clear the side parking lot for them that afternoon (Amanda email on Monday morning and reminder at 2:30)

-They would like us to reserve the garage spot closest to the building for the Premier's car (Amanda- place cone first thing Monday morning?)

-I let them know that he could use your office if he needs to make a phone call etc(they asked for one with a lock on the door)

- We need a Quebec flag - NOT a Canadian flag. If we don't have one, we can let them know and they can provide one. (Tom?)

-They would like table tents for each participant on the table (Tom to provide Amanda list)

--They would like coffee, tea, water and cookies served. (Amanda brew/place coffee, Lauren procure bottled water, tea & cookies)

-The Premier should sit at the center of the table with the Governor to his left. You should sit across from them. You will be responsible for cutting people off who drone on too long off and for adjourning on time.

-There may be some Quebec news photographers present at the very beginning and also a possible group shot on the front steps at the conclusion of the meeting. Vermont press are not being invited.

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**Catherine Z. Davis**

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## Mishaan, Jessica

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**From:** Miller, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 18, 2015 4:21 PM  
**To:** Torti, Tom  
**Subject:** Re: Efficiency Study

Aware of public works  
They bid on an RFP related to this and Jeb and Reardon did not go forward with it  
Can fill you in

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 18, 2015, at 4:04 PM, Tom Torti <[tom@vermont.org](mailto:tom@vermont.org)> wrote:

Liz:

I let the Board know that the Chamber's focus this summer will be on government efficiency, structure and civil service rules/regulations. They are thrilled – really.

There is a company called Public Works that consults with states to conduct full scale efficiency reviews. It is staffed by former top level state executives and subject matter experts ([www.public-works.org](http://www.public-works.org)). If the state were to use an outside group to look at many of the issues we are, there could be a good synergy at the end that the admin and legislature could use.

Just a thought.

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**Mishaan, Jessica**

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**From:** Miller, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 19, 2015 9:30 PM  
**To:** Torti, Tom  
**Cc:** Kunin, Lisa; Moulton, Pat; Bourgeois, Kiersten  
**Subject:** 'ACCD Briefing for Lake Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce Meeting.docx'  
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## Lake Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce Meeting with Governor Shumlin and Premier Couillard

### Background and Briefing Information

### Vermont and Quebec Business Partnerships and Companies

There are many companies in Vermont that have a Quebec-based corporate parent or other relationship.

- **VELAN Valve** –VELAN is headquartered in Montreal and designs/manufactures valves of all sizes. They recently appointed a new CEO, Mr. Yves Leduc. VELAN also has three other facilities in Montreal and one in Granby. Their only US plant is in Williston (Avenue C) and employs approximately 150. They have 2,000 employees worldwide.
- **Revision** – With a presence in Essex and Newport, Revision makes protective eyewear and helmet systems. Their operational headquarters are in Vermont, but there is still a significant presence that remains in Montreal. Several years ago, Revision acquired an Ontario-based lithium ion battery company.
- **Kaycan** – Kaycan is a manufacturer of vinyl siding with a production facility in Richford. Its corporate headquarters are in Montreal.
- **Appalachian Flooring** – Appalachian Flooring is headquartered in Cowansville, Quebec with a Vermont operation in North Troy. The company makes engineered flooring.
- **Green Mountain Power/Vermont Gas** – Owned by Gaz Metro. Presence in Vermont may offer opportunity for introduction and partnership to Quebec-based renewable energy and energy technology companies, to complement Vermont's growing green energy tech firm sector.
- **Louis Garneau** – Manufacturers of premium cycling accessories. Louis Garneau completed a new building last summer in Derby where they employ approximately 100 people.
- **Peerless Clothing** – Peerless is the largest supplier of Canadian made and imported menswear to the US. They make products for companies including Ralph Lauren and DKNY. Peerless employs approximately 300 and has several hundred thousand square feet in St. Albans.
- **IBM** – IBM Vermont enjoys a strong relationship with their Bromont sister corporation (established there in 1972 and has about 2500 employees). The Bromont site is not within the scope of the pending GlobalFoundries acquisition of the Essex site.
- **GE-Aviation** – GE Aviation has a strong relationship with the GE-Aviation Bromont facility.
- **Callebaut** – headquartered in Switzerland, Callebaut chocolatier has production facilities in St. Albans, Vermont and St. Hyacinth, Quebec. The two operations work closely together.

## Business and Commerce Partnerships

There is no Vermont-affiliated trade office in Quebec, although both the State and various economic development organizations in Vermont work with counterparts in Quebec, including:

- **Federation of Quebec Chambers of commerce (FCCQ)** – The State of Vermont has begun working more closely with this organization to promote FCCQ's efforts to establish a trade corridor. Additionally, the Agency of Commerce and Community Development has engaged in conversations about entering into a MOU to formalize relationships
- **Vermont Aerospace and Aviation (VAAA) and AeroMontreal** – under an MOU, these two association groups share industry information, collaborate in organizing seminars and training, etc.

## Export/Import Snapshots

Quebec is Vermont's largest trading partner. 2014 import/export numbers dipped from 2013, in part due to lower natural gas pricing.

- In 2014, Vermont imported \$3,081,332,084 worth of goods from Quebec. This was a decrease of 5.43% from 2013.
  - The top import from Quebec is electricity and natural gas, and the second is industrial machinery. Together, the two account for about 2/3 of our total imports from Quebec.
- In 2014, our exports to Quebec totaled \$1.25 billion.
  - The two largest sectors are electrical machinery, television equipment, etc. (\$922 million) and industrial machinery/computers (\$68 million). This represents a 4% decrease overall from 2013.

## Supply Chain Opportunities

There are several opportunities for Quebec-based companies to sell to Vermont (and the US)

Definitions and background:

Buy America Provisions – apply to federal transportation projects and the inputs for such projects

Buy American Act – enacted in the 1930s, and is more relevant to this conversation

### Canadian Companies Selling to US Government

Buy American provisions provide some incentive for foreign firms to diversify supply chain to include a portion of American-made inputs into final product, or to open U.S. based manufacturing facilities. At this time, Buy American applies to goods and services purchased by the federal government. The Quebec government does a good job summing up the situation:

“Applications can be made to waive Buy American provisions for certain foreign made products, regardless of the product, procuring entity or source of funding. Waivers can be used to exempt a product from *1933 Buy American Act*, *1982 Buy America Act* and for procurement opportunities outside of the seven programs specified in the recent ARRA. Exceptions to the Buy American rules can be made by the heads of federal departments or agencies and may receive a waiver when the use of a domestic product is:

- Inconsistent with the public interest.
- Insufficient or reasonably unavailable quantities of the domestic product or its quality are unsatisfactory.
- Likely to increase the **overall total cost** of the **project** by 25%.”

Although the U.S. government reached an agreement with Canada to exempt Canadian firms from certain Buy American provisions, the issue arises occasionally as Congress looks to enact new provisions to protect U.S. based manufacturing. It would be worthwhile to keep an eye on whether or not additional Buy American provisions are enacted because such provisions can drive sector investments in U.S.-based operations.

### **B2B Supply Chain Opportunities – The Importance of Triple Bottom Line**

Today, many companies publish sustainability reports, actively work to limit their carbon footprint, and integrate an environmental ethos into their processes, their people and their suppliers. Vermont is known for its ability to balance a growing economy while maintaining a high level of environmental stewardship, fair labor laws, and product quality. As companies in Quebec and elsewhere increasingly incorporate the value of these qualities into their financial and shareholder reporting, Vermont should consider increasing its efforts to market itself as a preferred location for U.S.-based supply chain partners and manufacturing operations. Just as Vermont is considered a premium brand known for high quality in the tourism, food, skiing, and similar sectors, so too could Vermont market itself as a premium brand in advanced manufacturing, renewable energy technology, or emerging IT or other data-driven technology.

#### This could be pursued by:

- Growing the existing Quebec/VT business partnerships in the aviation/aerospace sector or the composites sector.
- Taking this model and applying it to other sectors -- advanced manufacturing; value added food production; and renewable energy, for example. Build a network of Quebec-based businesses to partner with VT businesses to share ideas, supply chain and customer opportunities. The B2B event on Day 2 of Power of the North Conference provides a starting point.
- Further developing Foreign Trade Zones closer to the border and near interstate access – the benefits could help suppliers/vendors on both sides of the border.

- Marketing Vermont companies as those which adhere to green/sustainable practices – as a potential supply chain partner for certain sectors; as a vendor for outside companies, etc.

## **Areas of common interest to build upon**

- Clean water. Vermont and Quebec share Lake Champlain and Lake Memphremagog.
- Vermont has two interstate highways that connect with Quebec: I-89 and I-91. The recently opened segment of A35 has shortened travel time between Vermont and Quebec. In addition I-91 offers an alternative to the Highgate and Champlain crossings.
- Vermont and Quebec are working together to building an electric vehicle corridor from Montreal to Boston.

## **Recruiting Quebec Companies to Vermont**

We have long been able to recruit Quebec companies to Vermont – and some of our early industrial parks were developed this way. Vermont is currently competing for at least two Quebec-based expansions and continues to recruit companies, though the environment with New York State remains competitive.

Our strengths:

- Workforce
- Available and good space – though the adequacy of the supply and requirements remain challenging
- Responsive state/local government
- Incentive offerings (VEDA, VEGI, VTP, foreign trade zones in certain areas like Newport, Burlington, Brattleboro, Bennington)
- Transportation, including Burlington International Airport (BTV) and border crossings with easy interstate travel within hours to major metropolitan areas in U.S.

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## **Questions for the Premier and his team:**

- Are there real or perceived barriers that prevent Quebec companies from considering Vermont as the 'first choice' when thinking about locating in the United States?
- The Plattsburg area of NY has been successful over the past decade in creating a pro-Quebec business environment; it enjoys easy access to Montreal and a robust border crossing. What are the other economic, workforce, infrastructure strengths and attributes that have contributed to their success?
- What is it that Vermont can do to differentiate ourselves and become more competitive:
  - Physical infrastructure (roads, airports, power, water/waste water)
  - Permitting ease and timeliness
  - Access to governmental and economic development leaders
  - Availability of space
  - Education and Workforce training
  - Others

- Are there specific business sectors that we should be focusing on and others to shy away from?
- Are there companies that come readily to mind that are looking for supply chain opportunities?
- How could we work with the Quebec Economic Development team to identify companies seeking to expand into the U.S.?
- How can we best further introduce Vermont to the Quebec business community and to the individual businesses that might find Vermont attractive:
  - Association to Association meetings in Quebec
  - Establishment of a Vermont Trade Office in Montreal
  - Governor's/Mayor's representative meetings with Quebec/Montreal counterparts
  - Initiative to connect Vermont developers and commercial/industrial property owners with QC economic development leaders and QC companies to highlight available inventory and work to offer infrastructure that would meet the needs of companies interested in expanding to U.S.

### **Goals for the Meeting:**

- Connection to and awareness of senior QC leadership regarding current VT/QC business relationships and Vermont opportunities for QC business expansion – establishing new relationships with new Premier and his team.
- Commitment by QC economic development leadership to conduct follow up meetings or visits to help develop a plan of action to increase awareness of VT opportunities and VT operations of QC-based businesses through one or more of the suggestions listed above
- Commitment to work with us over a period of time to develop prospects/inventory of sectors/companies that VT may gain introduction to through QC economic development leadership/Premier's office.

**Mishaan, Jessica**

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**Sent:** Friday, March 20, 2015 9:56 AM  
**To:** Bourgeois, Kiersten  
**Cc:** Kunin, Lisa; Torti, Tom; Moulton, Pat  
**Subject:** Re: 'ACCD Briefing for Lake Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce Meeting.docx'

Cool. You send to your folks Tom and I will make sure others have it here Appreciate it

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> From: Kunin, Lisa

> Sent: Friday, March 20, 2015 9:46 AM

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>> actually have going on. I don't see the need for any changes but will

>> leave it to the rest of you to decide. Once you approve, I will send

>> to Frank, Stephanie, Ernie and Dan Smith

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**To:** Kunin, Lisa  
**Cc:** Torti, Tom  
**Subject:** Re: Quebec attendee cancellation

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Elizabeth H. Miller  
802-522-3090, cell  
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> We just heard that Alexis Landreville, Economic Advisor to the Premier, will not be able to attend on Monday.

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> Sent from my iPad

## Mishaan, Jessica

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**From:** Miller, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Friday, March 20, 2015 2:44 PM  
**To:** Kunin, Lisa  
**Cc:** Torti, Tom  
**Subject:** Re: Mayor

.... Per Quebec agreement/desire. They may have one photog w them but it is closed press  
We will get some press on it thru gov convo post event

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 20, 2015, at 2:42 PM, Kunin, Lisa <[Lisa.Kunin@state.vt.us](mailto:Lisa.Kunin@state.vt.us)> wrote:

Yes, he and Mike are attending. We are not listing this on our public events schedule, and I suspect he is doing the same.

Sent from my iPad

On Mar 20, 2015, at 2:41 PM, "Tom Torti" <[tom@vermont.org](mailto:tom@vermont.org)> wrote:

I just looked at the Mayor's schedule for Monday and he is not listing the meeting at the Chamber. Was he invited? We have reserved space for him and Mike Kanarick

**Mishaan, Jessica**

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**From:** Miller, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 01, 2015 11:04 AM  
**To:** Torti, Tom  
**Subject:** How Strong is Shumlin's Stand Against Indiana's New Law? | Off Message | Seven Days | Vermont's Independent Voice

[m.sevendaysvt.com/OffMessage/archives/2015/04/01/how-strong-is-shumlins-stand-against-indianas-new-law?section=2125919](http://m.sevendaysvt.com/OffMessage/archives/2015/04/01/how-strong-is-shumlins-stand-against-indianas-new-law?section=2125919)

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## Mishaan, Jessica

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**From:** Miller, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 02, 2015 2:02 PM  
**To:** Bourgeois, Kiersten  
**Cc:** Torti, Tom  
**Subject:** Re: Hello from Vermont

Cool

I'd love to have gov come by and say hi during lcrcc part if ok with Tom...

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 2, 2015, at 10:58 AM, Bourgeois, Kiersten <[Kiersten.Bourgeois@state.vt.us](mailto:Kiersten.Bourgeois@state.vt.us)> wrote:

Here's the scoop on the Canadian biz visit in May.

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**From:** Alberto Gonzalez [[alberto.gonzalez@destl.ca](mailto:alberto.gonzalez@destl.ca)]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 01, 2015 6:44 PM  
**To:** Bourgeois, Kiersten  
**Cc:** Torti, Tom; [A.Padilla@cigmo.ca](mailto:A.Padilla@cigmo.ca); [L.Fretes@cigmo.ca](mailto:L.Fretes@cigmo.ca); Ana Jimena Reategui Reveggino  
**Subject:** RE: Hello from Vermont

Chère Kiersten,

It was a great pleasure to meet you and Mr. Kenny. Yes, Tom and I spoke very much the same as we did earlier in the Old Port of Montreal. The agreed plan is the following:

Export Montréal Ouest (ExMO) and Commerce International Québec Montérégie-Ouest (CIQMO) will invite companies from their respective territories (see attached map) to a visit to the Champlain border and the Lake Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce (LCRCC) on Wednesday, May 20, 2015. The aim of the visit is to increase the knowledge of Quebec exporters of the functioning of the border services as well as to familiarize them with future business partners in Vermont who would facilitate the distribution of Quebec products throughout the North East of the US.

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Everybody shall be seated in a big circle to encourage interaction and participation. Everyone should be encouraged to present himself or herself briefly. Members of the chamber shall lead discussions on the advantages of partnering with Vermont for distributing Quebec products in the North East of the US.

As we shall be starting our invitation campaign on April 7, we propose that we have a short teleconference on Wednesday, April 15 at 10 AM to discuss:

- 1) Advances on our recruiting efforts

- 2) Sponsorship of the group lunch
- 3) Any other relevant points

We thank you for such a fast, efficient and warm welcome to do business in Vermont.

Yours sincerely,

**Alberto González**

*Commissaire à l'international*

*Export Trade Commissioner*

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**De :** Bourgeois, Kiersten [<mailto:Kiersten.Bourgeois@state.vt.us>]

**Envoyé :** 1 avril 2015 08:15

**À :** Alberto Gonzalez

**Cc :** Torti, Tom

**Objet :** Hello from Vermont

Dear Alberto –

It was a pleasure to meet you yesterday.

I understand from Tom that you spoke following our visit yesterday. Please let me know how we can be of assistance in planning the 20 May 2015 event.

Kindest regards,

Kiersten Bourgeois

**Kiersten Bourgeois** | Senior Project Manager

Vermont Agency of Commerce & Community Development

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**Subject:** Re: Small Canadian Mission to VT - 5/20

Haven't spoken with him myself but understand the same thing you do; [REDACTED]

Elizabeth H. Miller  
802-522-3090, cell  
[elizabeth.miller@state.vt.us](mailto:elizabeth.miller@state.vt.us)

> On Apr 15, 2015, at 12:42 PM, Bourgeois, Kiersten <[Kiersten.Bourgeois@state.vt.us](mailto:Kiersten.Bourgeois@state.vt.us)> wrote:

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> Sounds good. I have a list of Quebec related stuff that we should actually talk about, including Resolute Forest Products resurrection.

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> Have either of you talked to [REDACTED]

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**Sent:** Monday, April 27, 2015 8:12 PM  
**To:** Torti, Tom  
**Cc:** Johnson, Justin  
**Subject:** Re: 2015 APRIL 22 H 492 proposed language

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Additional language in Sec. 3 (b), H.492

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## Mishaan, Jessica

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On Apr 27, 2015, at 8:22 PM, Johnson, Justin <[Justin.Johnson@state.vt.us](mailto:Justin.Johnson@state.vt.us)> wrote:

This is basically the language I proposed a week ago. I will check on where it is at.

Justin

Justin Johnson  
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**Sent:** Monday, May 04, 2015 10:28 AM  
**To:** 'Tom Torti'  
**Subject:** RE: Trade Office

I'm having people pull the history of the office (state-not state-state...and how). If you have any of that already at hand let me know. Working on it.

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**From:** Tom Torti [<mailto:tom@vermont.org>]  
**Sent:** Monday, May 04, 2015 8:19 AM  
**To:** Miller, Elizabeth  
**Subject:** Trade Office

Hi Liz:

If it is at all possible, it would be great if the Governor could roll out the Trade Office move (assuming it will happen) on May 20<sup>th</sup> when he greets the Canadian companies. It would send a strong signal that we are focused on their business. I could be in Montpelier to meet with him/you Tuesday morning or Thursday if it would help move things along.

As you can see, I am very serious about this. If you'd like, I'll prepare a cost savings proposal so that any contract meets the state test.

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**Sent:** Tuesday, May 19, 2015 4:23 PM  
**To:** Kunin, Lisa  
**Cc:** Torti, Tom; Bourgeois, Kiersten; Moulton, Pat  
**Subject:** Re: Time for Presser

yes. good. thank you!

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On May 19, 2015, at 4:21 PM, Kunin, Lisa <[Lisa.Kunin@state.vt.us](mailto:Lisa.Kunin@state.vt.us)> wrote:

12:45 PM at the Hilton.

I will ask Scott to call you.

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**From:** Tom Torti [<mailto:tom@vermont.org>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 19, 2015 4:15 PM  
**To:** Kunin, Lisa; Bourgeois, Kiersten; Miller, Elizabeth  
**Cc:** Moulton, Pat  
**Subject:** Time for Presser

Hi there.

What time did we settle on for the press event at the Hilton tomorrow? I have a call into Scott and asked him to call me back. Should we put it in the Media Advisory?

**Mishaan, Jessica**

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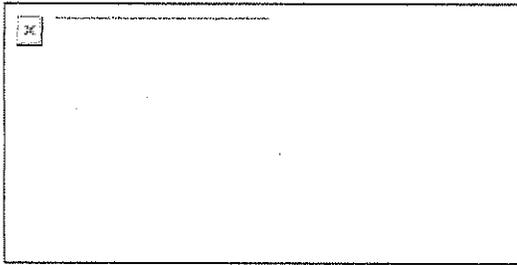
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**From:** Timothy Smith <Tim@fcidc.com>  
**Date:** May 22, 2015 at 9:08:47 AM EDT  
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## Miller, Lawrence

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**From:** Work <tom@vermont.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 10, 2015 10:04 AM  
**To:** Miller, Lawrence  
**Subject:** Re: around today?

Yup. Can we make it 1.45? I have a 1 that I should make

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 10, 2015, at 8:56 AM, Miller, Lawrence <[Lawrence.Miller@state.vt.us](mailto:Lawrence.Miller@state.vt.us)> wrote:

Do you have time for me to swing and see you briefly sometime between 1 and 2?

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Lawrence Miller  
Senior Advisor, Chief of Health Care Reform  
Office of the Governor, State of Vermont  
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**Sent:** Monday, June 01, 2015 4:33 PM  
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I need the alive and healthy to pay for my old age infirmity

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Thanks. Nice angle on the young invincibles.

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Hey There:

Hope all is well. We applied for the grant and added a new piece which is statewide outreach to 18-34 year olds through the Young Professional network that we've been putting together.

Just wanted you to know. When you are in BTV sometime after work, let's catch up.

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