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I say budget like we have it, and try and put a contract in place after the first year that ties it up assuming granted by trustee. It would be hard to undo the contract

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Ok. It is harder to budget a full fleshed out plan without knowing if we have \$30 or \$20 million to spend.

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Depends on the Effective Date.

If, for example, the Effective Date is January, and we can submit for withdrawal finally in June, we could realistically file for money in June of 2017 and again in June - December of 2018. However, getting the plan approved is not enough. Until the money is spent the plan can be modified and resubmitted. So she has to spend it before leaving office.

If the Effective Date is pushed out, and then we cannot withdrawal until October, when we get to the third year we are in October 2018. The Trustee has 60 days to approve. We wouldn't have time to necessarily contract and spend the proceeds unless we have a well-oiled plan and everything goes our way. We would have to have a contract to purchase buses, or spend the money, and start the performance and payment before her term ended. Then it would be difficult to undo.

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Good to know! So based on this timeline, we can do funding planning over the next 6 months. Would we be able to determine how the last \$10 million is spent even if the funding isn't realized until after 2 years?

From: Taylor, Richele
Sent: Wednesday, October 26, 2016 11:54 AM
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Swati,

I exchanged emails with the Department of Justice attorneys last week. Yesterday they provided me an FAQ they drafted for beneficiaries. The FAQs were very helpful. Below is updated information that I can share with everyone, but wanted to start with you.

First, the Settlement was approved. However, there are two "Effective Dates"; the settlement Effective Date was yesterday. But, the Trust Agreement also will have an "Effective Date" once filed with the Court. This second "Effective Date" is the one we should use to estimate dates.

Second, while we have 30 days to nominate Trustees if we wish to participate in the process, there is no stated time limit to nominate the Trustee. The Parties will do this before filing the Trust Agreement. They do not plan to name a Trustee until early 2017.

Third, while we then have 60 days to name our Beneficiary, the Trustee has 120 days to provide the complete list to the court. It is only after the 120 day deadline that we can then submit funding requests. The Trustee must respond (yes, no, etc) and post the response publicly within 60 days.

Based on the above, taken from the published FAQs, we will not need to name a beneficiary until January. Also, the FAQs provide an estimate of 6 months from the Trust Effective Date to have access to funds. In real time, if the Trust Agreement is filed mid-January, we are looking at mid-June for funds. This means we would have access to two years' worth of funds in this administration, roughly \$20 million.

Last, I ran Ray Farmer by Austin. He wanted to sleep on Ray and is getting back to me today.

Richele

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