Yong – this corresponds with a series of recent like publications coming out of Germany and with some potentially troublesome postings about Monsanto and Eugenics (see other e-mail I forwarded to you).

Donna Farmer and I have been ringing alarm bells and pushing for this kind of broad solution for a decade, and we have been following the development closely, including conversations about how to update/adapt Monsanto web content and information (the MOST RECENT glyphosate posting on general safety was last updated in 2002!) as well as discussing new content development for responsive websites both in EU and in US/Canada.

I proposed a second paper from Felsot (who wrote the recent article for ACSH on pesticide safety with a lot of glyphosate examples) specifically on glyphosate- but the feeling was that we wanted to avoid US experts on the EU site. This is being assessed for a US version of the site via Bill.

We are certainly aware of and prepared to support this effort. The new publication series on Glyphosate (Williams 2012/repro, Mink 2012 /non-cancer epi, Mandel – pending- cancer outcomes, etc.) is designed to support this effort among other purposes.

As far as getting it started sooner- this has been a difficult multi-company “cat-herding” operation- but if there is a perception of urgency among the major stakeholder companies- we can certainly support accelerated development. The web contractor/developer has been selected (in Germany- with this issue and Rapporteur status in mind) – but I have not yet seen a proposed process for materials development.

I will loop back with Bill to see how we can best support progress on this initiative and facilitate acceleration in any way that I can out of RPSA.

Dan

Dan, FYI, did Bill or Richard talked to you about this? Yong
From: MARTINO-CATT, SUSAN J Redacted
Sent: Thursday, March 01, 2012 05:58 AM Central Standard Time
To: GAO, YONG Redacted
Subject: Fw: Anti-Glyphosate Campaign in Germany

Fyi

From: Redacted
Sent: Thursday, March 01, 2012 04:32 AM
To: PERSON, JANICE L Redacted
Cc: Redacted MARTINO-CATT, SUSAN J Redacted Redacted
Subject: FW: Anti-Glyphosate Campaign in Germany

I think people in St Louis should be aware of this statement which will be issued by the IVA, the German version of CropLife America. It shows how concerned they are about the work of Hubert et al., and we should be!
The Board of the EU Glyphosate Task Force agreed that the Public Acceptance Group should come back with an outreach program by June, but can we wait?

To my mind it goes a long way in explaining why our friends in the regulatory authority thought it would be better for another country to take over the responsibility for Glyphosate in the EU.

If we do not win this battle then you can be sure their campaign will move, as the IVA suggests, to Argentina and Brasil.

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From: Redacted
Sent: Thursday, March 01, 2012 6:54 AM
To: Redacted HEYDENS, WILLIAM F Redacted
Subject: FW: Anti-Glyphosate Campaign in Germany

In case anyone wonders why we have an advocacy project with an initial focus on Germany ...

From: Redacted
Sent: 16 February 2012 14:41
To: RODRIGUEZ, PROTASIO E Redacted NOWACK, SUSANNE Redacted Redacted Redacted Redacted
Subject: FW: Anti-Glyphosate Campaign in Germany

Dear all,

We are getting this letter today, following serious discussion within the Industry Association for Plant Protection (IVA), where I am holding

a Vice-president position.

IVA is strongly recommending a stronger positioning of the Glyphosate seller and suppliers, when it comes to keep FTO for Glyphosate in place in Germany.

We have seen multiple NGO campaigns in the past – being successful in putting products out of the market – so IVA highly recommends to take initiatives.

See this as a strong signal and a watch-out position rather then criticiz

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I think we have a strong point and arguments in the current project to get to a common – communication campaign – within the taskforce.

Thanks for your thoughts

From: [Redacted]
To: [Redacted]
Cc: [Redacted]
Subject: Anti-Glyphosate Campaign in Germany

Dear [Redacted],

Please find attached a memo on the current anti-Glyphosate campaign in Germany. In our analysis we come to the conclusion that the campaign does not solely aim at discrediting Glyphosate. We strongly believe that the strategic aim of this campaign is much broader:

1. In attacking the current way in which regulators base their risk assessment on sound science the good reputation of authorities responsible for the risk assessment and risk management (such as BVL or BfR in Germany or EFSA at European level) should be damaged to open up the doors for a more “political” and “NGO-minded” approach of evaluating crop protection products.

2. At its heart the campaign aims at attacking the cultivation of GMOs outside Europe, particularly in Latin America. As a result of the scaremongering, consumers and stakeholders of the food value chain should come to the conclusion to refrain from GMO food/feed or goods that have been produced by using of GMO feed-stuff.

I hope you find our analysis helpful.

Best regards,

[Redacted]