

RE: Madoff

From:
To: Suh, Simona
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1/27/2006 1:01:22 PM

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Sent: Friday, January 27, 2006 11:46 AM

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I actually have not had a chance to read through the Tremont request, but I'll read through it by Monday morning. I'll also try to provide you on Monday morning with any questions for Tucker that I think might be helpful.

You certainly earned the right to have a nice weekend after listening to Frank go on and on and on and on and on yesterday. I almost fell asleep towards the end. Seriously, have a great weekend!

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Sent: Friday, January 27, 2006 3:35 PM

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Ugh... what a pain he is...

I will think through possible additional requests, including Weintraub, and will

talk to lyleagnan about them.

Have you had a chance to look at the draft of the request to Tremont? Let me know if you have any comments, but this is no rush, since I have not yet heard from Meaghan, and I suspect that I will not hear from her until end of Monday or Tuesday.

Have a good weekend!

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Alright. I'll keep continue to communicate ideas until you say to stop.

When we were conducting the exam, there was a day when Weintraub was in our office without Bernie (I think that she was dropping off some data or something). We seized the opportunity to ask her about the systems. After a couple of minutes, an employee came into the office and said "Liz, you are urgently needed." Thus, she left before we could get into too much detail about anything. When I asked Bernie later why she was urgently needed, he said something like "her lunch arrived." That was strange to William and I because it was around 3:00 pm. William and I suspected that Bernie sent the employee into our office because he didn't want her speaking to us alone....

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Ideas are a very good thing - do not hesitate to email or call me if something comes to you. We may not act on some on them immediately, just because of time constraints, but they are certainly helpful - and I am keeping a running list of things we may want to consider. Good thought about Weintraub - we do need somebody with a global understanding of the firms' databases.

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