From: Moody, Dustin (Fed)
To: Kerman, Sara J. (Fed)
Subject: Re: ERB
Date: Tuesday, March 29, 2022 8:46:26 AM

Yes, we are waiting for lawyers approval before we take the action of publishing the report (even if ERB is completed). It all needs to be done at the same time.

Thank you!

From: Kerman, Sara J. (Fed) <sara.kerman@nist.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 29, 2022 8:44 AM
To: Moody, Dustin (Fed) <dustin.moody@nist.gov>
Subject: RE: ERB

OK. So it sounds like we are relying on the lawyers before we can publish the report (even if ERB review is completed). Right?

I'm working to get my ducks in a row for the project web pages. I will be out of the office Thursday afternoon for a few hours.

From: Moody, Dustin (Fed) <dustin.moody@nist.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 29, 2022 8:42 AM
To: Kerman, Sara J. (Fed) <sara.kerman@nist.gov>
Subject: Re: ERB

Yes, the lawyer stuff is just for the IP issue. It's not the joint statement, but rather the actual license deal text. I imagine their lawyers will want to review it and make changes, but the hope is that this sort of finalization can proceed after our announcement. But we want them to at least see our version we're sending to them and agree one last time before we announce.

Yes, we need this step to happen before we publish. We need to have the IP situation confirmed, and have either them issue a statement to that effect, or we issue a joint statement to that effect. Ideally, the report, the announcement, and public IP statements all happen at about the same time. Without a public IP re-assurance the PQC community will be concerned about one of our selections.

From: Kerman, Sara J. (Fed) <sara.kerman@nist.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 29, 2022 8:37 AM
To: Moody, Dustin (Fed) <dustin.moody@nist.gov>
Subject: RE: ERB

So the lawyer side is specifically for the joint IP statement? Does that need to be finalized before we can publish the report?

From: Moody, Dustin (Fed) <dustin.moody@nist.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 29, 2022 8:36 AM
To: Kerman, Sara J. (Fed) <sara.kerman@nist.gov>
Subject: Re: ERB

Now we'll see how long it takes!

As to timing, yes - still waiting on the lawyers. Our lawyers took awhile, and then sent it to the State department for their lawyers to review (since it involved a deal with France). Hopefully they okay it with no changes. Could happen at any time. Then we send it to France and Jintai and verify one last time they are good with everything.

Dustin

From: Kerman, Sara J. (Fed) <sara.kerman@nist.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 29, 2022 8:32 AM
To: Moody, Dustin (Fed) <dustin.moody@nist.gov>
Subject: RE: ERB

OK. I've kinda drafted the thing for Jim.

From: Moody, Dustin (Fed) <dustin.moody@nist.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 29, 2022 8:32 AM
To: Kerman, Sara J. (Fed) <sara.kerman@nist.gov>
Subject: Re: ERB

Nah - I just said

Kevin,

I just wanted to check in with you on the ERB for the PQC report (NISTIR 8413). I believe you are currently reviewing it. Do you have any questions or concerns with anything? We're anxious to get it ready for publication. Let me know. Thanks,

Dustin

From: Kerman, Sara J. (Fed) <sara.kerman@nist.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 29, 2022 8:27 AM
To: Moody, Dustin (Fed) <dustin.moody@nist.gov>
Subject: RE: ERB

What did you say to Kevin? Anything about lawyers, etc?

From: Moody, Dustin (Fed) <dustin.moody@nist.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 29, 2022 8:27 AM
To: Kerman, Sara J. (Fed) <sara.kerman@nist.gov>
Subject: Re: ERB

Sounds good!

From: Kerman, Sara J. (Fed) <sara.kerman@nist.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 29, 2022 8:26 AM
To: Moody, Dustin (Fed) <dustin.moody@nist.gov>
Subject: RE: ERB

I'll do it and cc you??

From: Moody, Dustin (Fed) <dustin.moody@nist.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 29, 2022 8:26 AM
To: Kerman, Sara J. (Fed) <sara.kerman@nist.gov>
Subject: Re: ERB

Which do you think is best?

From: Kerman, Sara J. (Fed) <sara.kerman@nist.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 29, 2022 8:25 AM
To: Moody, Dustin (Fed) <dustin.moody@nist.gov>
Subject: RE: ERB

See – I just don't have the power I used to! I pester regularly and I think my emails are looked over these days!

Now – question – do you want to follow on with Jim St. Pierre with whatever you said to Kevin? Or do you want me to?

From: Moody, Dustin (Fed) <dustin.moody@nist.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 29, 2022 8:24 AM
To: Kerman, Sara J. (Fed) <sara.kerman@nist.gov>
Subject: Re: ERB

Like a charm.

Within two minutes of sending him a message it was approved!

From: Moody, Dustin (Fed) <dustin.moody@nist.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 29, 2022 8:11 AM

To: Kerman, Sara J. (Fed) <sara.kerman@nist.gov>
Subject: Re: ERB

I'll follow your advice.

Dustin

From: Kerman, Sara J. (Fed) <sara.kerman@nist.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 29, 2022 8:04 AM
To: Moody, Dustin (Fed) <dustin.moody@nist.gov>
Subject: RE: ERB

FYI – Kevin has not approved as of this morning.

From: Kerman, Sara J. (Fed)
Sent: Monday, March 28, 2022 1:16 PM
To: Moody, Dustin (Fed) <dustin.moody@nist.gov>
Subject: RE: ERB

It doesn't always help, but I try. I would say if he doesn't sign today, maybe email him in the morning and ask if he has any specific questions that you can answer. Sometimes an email from the author is helpful!

From: Moody, Dustin (Fed) <dustin.moody@nist.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 28, 2022 1:14 PM
To: Kerman, Sara J. (Fed) <sara.kerman@nist.gov>
Subject: Re: ERB

Two steps ahead of me as usual. Thank you!

From: Kerman, Sara J. (Fed) <sara.kerman@nist.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 28, 2022 1:13 PM
To: Moody, Dustin (Fed) <dustin.moody@nist.gov>
Subject: RE: ERB

Yes, on the 22nd – when it went to him – I told him the target publishing date is late-March. I also sent him a reminder this morning, reminding him that you wanted to publish this week. He knows it still requires Jim and ERB approval (after he signs).

Sara

From: Moody, Dustin (Fed) <dustin.moody@nist.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 28, 2022 1:10 PM
To: Kerman, Sara J. (Fed) <sara.kerman@nist.gov>

Subject: ERB

Sara,

The PQC report is still with Kevin. I don't want to rush him, but I also want it to get through ERB so that when the lawyers finally give me a green light we are completely ready. Do you think he's aware of our timeline?

Dustin