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**Sent:** Thursday, May 2, 2013 12:43:12 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Thank You and Meeting Follow-Up

Dear Randy,

Thank you for sharing your time with us. I want to acknowledge and thank you for the hard work you put into gathering such a large group of Blind Vendors and their significant others who attended the meeting. I believe it was very constructive and beneficial to hear from everybody who attended in person and by telephone. I know that through working together and effectively communicating we can positively impact not only the BE program but all programs within the Agency.

Please feel free to share what you and the Blind Vendors want in terms of meetings, etc. with me as we move forward. I do have some work constraints, but will be able to find time to meet on a regular basis if that is what is desired.

Thanks again for being a strong advocate for the BECC and Blind Oregonians in general.

Sincerely,

Jodi

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May 2, 2013

Dear Mr. Shepard, OCB Chairperson Roth, and Ms. Johnson:

First and foremost, thank you for the time yesterday that was provided to the Licensed Blind Vendors. For the first time in many years, the Licensed Blind Vendors felt that their voices mattered, that their concerns are legitimate and valid, and that they were truly listened to. We look forward to finding a cure for the long standing issues which have plagued the Oregon Commission for the Blind's Business Enterprise Program, and the untapped potential this tenured national and state program has to offer not only the current Licensed Blind Vendors, but other qualified blind Oregonians.

Secondly, I felt it was important to share with you that immediately following the meeting several Licensed Blind Vendors expressed concerns to me that the inappropriate vocal outburst over the telephone conference line was from Commissioner Carla McQuillan that occurred during Mr. Bird's comments, as they recognized her voice. As such, I respectfully request that this type of behavior stop and does not continue towards any of the Licensed Blind Vendors in the future.

Additionally, I have taken the liberty of including the link to the Presidential Memorandum which was issued by President Obama in January 2012 regarding the Randolph-Sheppard program which outlines directives for executive heads, agency heads, state licensing agencies, etc. that Ms. Linda Haseman mentioned in the meeting yesterday.

Link: <http://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2012/01/20/presidential-memorandum-federal-support-randolph-sheppard-vending-facili>

Again, thank you for your time yesterday.

Sincerely,  
Randy Hauth  
BECC Chairperson