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To: Vann, Matthew

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**Subject:** Re: ABC News re: NOAA response to Washington Post reporting

Hi Matthew,

I can provide you with this. You can quote me. Thanks -Scott

"NOAA's policies on scientific integrity and communications are among the strongest in the federal government, and get high marks from third party observers. The agency's senior career leaders are free to express their opinions about matters of agency operations and science. The agency will not be providing further official comment, and will not speculate on internal reviews."

On Mon, Sep 9, 2019 at 11:14 AM Vann, Matthew < <a href="Matthew.Vann@abc.com">Matthew.Vann@abc.com</a> wrote:

Good Morning, all—

Matthew Vann with ABC Network News in Washington.

Does NOAA have any response to reporting by the Washington Post that it's chief scientists will conduct an investigation to see if the agency violated its own policies and ethics in issuing statements in support of the president's assertion that Dorian would hit Alabama?

Any comment would be much appreciated.

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