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Mr. Kiefhaber,

As you know the Department takes seriously any concerns of harassment and hostile work environment. For this reason, we were particularly disappointed to learn of your overly aggressive and unprofessional interaction with a BLM employee at the BLM Nevada office this morning. In these circumstances, protocol dictates that we address the situation as promptly as possible. As you are on official travel paid by the Department, we have determined that it would be best for you to return to your duty station in Washington DC on the next available flight. This decision was made in the interest of the safety and well-being of our employees and to ensure that the trip can continue without further incident. The remaining appropriations staff will continue on the scheduled site visit, should they desire to do so.

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