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Pete, wanted to share with you (below) the note I sent to our team this morning. Have a great weekend.

Thanks, Rob

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I know that we've been doing these team meetings for quite some time now, and the natural evolution would be that we would improve in effectiveness and efficiency.....so maybe this shouldn't seem surprising, but my assessment was that yesterday's coordination meeting was perhaps the best to date. Our meetings with Limetree Bay are increasingly informative/productive and our bi-weekly status updates to senior leadership are increasingly meaningful. Most significantly, we've flagged early on almost every instance of a difference in expectations and scenarios where one party didn't recognize that the other party was waiting on them to provide information.

Given that this project intersects multiple offices, is receiving high visibility inside the beltway, and has several unique complexities, it has been imperative for us to be perhaps overly inclusive and coordinate among so many. For R2, Flaire has been the equivalent of Grand Central Station on almost all these topics and done an extremely nice job of assimilating and packaging concise and accurate updates. At headquarters, Chris Reed has been keeping us organized and ensuring that all other headquarters offices are looped in appropriately.....and I very much appreciate the representation from so many offices....and must offer a particular thank you to the Sectors Team which has had a flawless attendance record. This project is potentially serving as a pilot for a broader customer liaison concept, so as we continue to evolve, please consider capturing what you believe worked well and what didn't as we'll set up a hot wash to incorporate your thoughts at some point further down the road.

For those of you that were unable to join us yesterday, I shared positive feedback I received recently from the Limetree Bay team that they are very appreciative of the venue for information sharing which helps their project management efforts significantly.

So, while certainly several significant actions remaining, I sincerely appreciate the team effort and progress made!

(note: I used the dist list on the calendar invite....so if I missed anyone....please disseminate further)

Thanks, Rob

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