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I received a BS in Biology and an AB in History from the University of Illinois. The primary focus of my undergraduate studies was agricultural ecology, particularly the interface between natural and agricultural systems. In the course of this research I worked in rural areas of Central America. From there I pursued a Ph.D. at Cornell University. My primary dissertation focus was the biological recovery of highly disturbed forest habitats in the Caribbean. This work was conducted in the Dominican Republic. My experiences there influenced a desire to help people engage in environmental protection for their health and that of their local environment. Currently, I am an environmental protection specialist in the Office of Environmental Information. I work on a variety of projects that are on the interface of developing useful environmental information for a variety of stakeholder groups and providing them access to this information.

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After completing the Presidential Management Fellowship I converted in my home office, the office of Radiation and Indoor Air, Indoor Environments Division. IED implements a number of voluntary programs that employ social marketing to promote risk reduction. During my first year I helped design new performance measures for the Division's 2005 OMB PART assessment. I then did a rotation in EPA's Budget Office, followed by a rotation on the Environment and Natural Resources team at the Government Accountability Office (GAO). Currently I am the project officer for the Community Leadership Training project and the Radon Leaders Saving Lives Campaign.

I received a Master of Public Administration from the Maxwell School at Syracuse University in 2004. From 2000-2003, I worked as a policy analyst at Environmental and Energy Study Institute, specializing in renewable energy and agricultural policy. I graduated in 2000 with a BS in Biology from the University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point.

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I joined the Wetlands Division in the Office of Water in July 2007. I help state and tribal governments strengthen their programs to regulate, monitor, restore, and protect wetland resources. I am evaluating a pilot grant program, identifying strategies for states and tribes to finance their wetlands programs, and working with EPA Regions, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Midwestern states, and universities to evaluate the role of wetland restoration in reducing nutrient pollution to the Gulf of Mexico.

Since rowing for Brown University's Women's Crew, I have wanted a career protecting water resources. I graduated with a degree in Environmental Studies in 2003 and spent

two years conducting regulatory analyses and program evaluations for EPA, the National Marine Fisheries Service, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service at a Cambridge, Massachusetts consulting firm. I earned a Masters in City Planning and an Environmental Planning Certificate from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and was a researcher for the MIT-USGS Science Impact Collaborative. As part of this research, I evaluated the role of public participation, consensus-building, and science in policy development and worked with USGS and the Bureau of Reclamation on water allocation disputes in Maui, Hawaii and the Columbia River Basin in Washington State.

I am enjoying my new life in Washington, D.C. by training for local road races, exploring Virginia's wine country, and expanding my cooking horizons with fresh produce from the Dupont Circle farmers' market.

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In EPA's policy office, I review a host of proposed regulations to help ensure they are scientifically sound, economically justified and politically feasible. It has been a great way to participate in a wide variety of projects on issues surrounding air pollution, transportation, pesticides, groundwater, and almost everything else EPA does. (Its amazing just how much EPA actually does!) This position challenges me to learn about dozens of topics while allowing me to continually develop the analytical tools I learned in school. I graduated with an MS in Health, Environment, and Development at UC Berkeley, studying environmental health with a focus on epidemiology and statistics. In graduate school I was also heavily involved in a research project in Guatemala, where I investigated the health effects of indoor air pollution on mothers and children.

I'm not entirely new to the DC area; I received my BS from the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg VA, where I double majored in Chemistry and Environmental Science, although most people knew me only for my passion of ultimate Frisbee. I've spent 3 years working as a chemist in the pharmaceutical field and as a water quality scientist in Boston Harbor. In addition to working for EPA, I work part-time at a bike shop in Capitol Hill and plan to get more involved in local non-profit groups trying to make DC more bicycle-friendly.

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I am a 2007 PMF working in the Regulatory Analysis and Policy Division of the Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation. In my current position, I review proposed regulations on a wide range of topics from air quality to pesticide exposure. Prior to joining EPA, I completed a joint master's degree program in public health and environmental management at Yale University. During graduate school, my academic focus was on environmental epidemiology and I worked on two large epidemiological studies investigating associations between air quality and childhood asthma. I received my bachelor's degree in Environmental Science from the University of Notre Dame and

then spent several years working as a research assistant investigating how changes in climate affect nutrient dynamics in a range of ecosystems from southern temperate forests to the arctic tundra.

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I attended Illinois Wesleyan University and graduated in 2004 with a BA, majoring in Biology and Environmental Studies. I decided to go straight to graduate school at Indiana University's School of Public and Environmental Affairs where I pursued joint Master of Public Affairs (MPA) and Master of Science in Environmental Science (MSES) degrees. During summer breaks while in graduate school, I interned at the National Invasive Species Council and the Office of Management and Budget because I knew I wanted to work for the federal government.

When I was selected as a 2007 PMF Finalist, I knew I wanted to find a position in the environmental field, hopefully where I could utilize my science and policy background. The PMF job fair was a bit of a blur for me. After I returned home I got a call from the Immediate Office of the Office of the Chief Financial Officer (OCFO). After a phone and in-person interview, I was offered a position with OCFO. My job with the Immediate Office entails coordinating and tracking the Agency's work on the President's Management Agenda. I also did a rotation with the Office of Budget as a Media Analyst.

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After graduating from Cornell University with a BS in Natural Resources in 2002, I took a position as a Chemist at Estée Lauder's Research and Development facility in New York. Working for the private sector was definitely a positive experience and I learned a great deal during my few years with the company, but since college, I had been thinking about going back to school and pursuing a career in the public sector. My fiancé and I moved to Arlington, Virginia in 2005, which is when I began working towards a Master's Degree in Public Policy (MPP) at The George Washington University. I got married in 2006, served on my graduate program's student association board, worked at the National Association of Chemical Distributors part-time from 2006-2007, and graduated with my MPP in May 2007. It was a busy couple of years!

When I was selected as a Presidential Management Fellow finalist in 2007, I wanted to find a position where I could utilize my undergraduate education and experience in ecology and natural resource management as well as my subsequent experiences and graduate education. I spoke with a branch chief at the EPA's Office of Pesticide Programs, Special Review and Reregistration Division about a position as a Chemical Review Manager (CRM) and knew immediately that it was the perfect fit for my skills and interests. As a CRM, I work with teams of scientists to assess potential exposure to and risk from pesticides, and develop risk management strategies based on these assessments.

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After finishing my BA in Political Science and German Literature at the University of Oregon, I cut my teeth on the policy-making process in Germany as a fellow in the German Bundestag (Parliament). I spent a year studying the federal policy process of the Federal Republic of Germany and the European Union. My focus was social policy but it was this experience living in Germany as a fellow and during previous study abroad programs that I began to think critically about the different approach to natural resources management and the environment that Europeans take compared to Americans. Upon my return to the US I began to pursue communications work, which led me to working for a nonprofit in Portland, Oregon for 4 years. While working I began my master in Public Administration at the Hatfield School of Government at Portland State University, where I served as a Graduate Assistant for the Division of Public Administration while I finished my MPA with an emphasis in Communication and Policy and Natural Resources Management. During my final year of graduate school I completed a one-year internship working in a Region 10 Office of EPA in Portland working on collaborative process for reducing toxics in the Columbia Riverbasin. I especially enjoyed the inter-agency, inter-state, and inter-tribal aspect of this environmental problem-solving process. I also completed an internship with Metro Regional Government in Portland working on public education on their efforts to restore previously degraded lands for use as public greenspaces and parks.

Before moving to DC in August, I had served on the boards of the German American Society of Portland and the Public Administration Student Association at PSU. I enjoy being involved in the community, off the beaten path international food restaurants, German film, chain reactions, running, and river-rafting.

My experience in the state operations office of EPA in Oregon was fantastic and this experience encouraged me to apply for the PMF program and eventually to seek employment with EPA and other natural resource agencies. I wasn't aware of EPA's partnership programs when I learned about the opportunity in the Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Performance Track Division, where I now work as a program analyst but the past six months here at headquarters have been a great learning experience so far and I am excited about the future. I currently serve in a communications role in my division. I handle media relations and outreach for the Performance Track program.

Dana Hyland

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I am a 2007 PMF working as a Special Assistant to the Assistant Administrator in the Office of Air and Radiation. Our office develops national programs, technical policies, and regulations for controlling air pollution and radiation exposure. My job has various

responsibilities, including acting as a liaison between the Administrator's office and OAR, analyzing policy issues, and reviewing regulations and correspondence.

Originally from Rochester, NY, I graduated from Mercyhurst College in Erie, PA in 2005 with a Bachelors Degree in political science, including a concentration in environmental studies. I continued my education at Indiana University's School of Public and Environmental Affairs, where I studied environmental policy and natural resource management, earning an MPA in 2007. My environmental interests led me to apply with the EPA and I have found it to be an excellent experience.

Since moving to Washington, DC I have enjoyed movies on the Mall, visiting the multitude of museums, playing softball, and everything else the city has to offer!

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After receiving a Bachelors Degree in Economics and Environmental Science from Barnard College, Columbia University, I worked as a Research Assistant at Resources for the Future, a think tank in Washington DC. My experience there led me to the Woodrow Wilson School at Princeton University where I pursued my Master is Public Affairs. At Princeton, I focused on economics and received my certificate in Science, Technology, and Environmental Policy (STEP). In the summer of 2004, I completed a 10 week internship in Tbilisi, Georgia, working for the country's natural gas transmission system. This experience honed my interest in the climate change and energy policies of Post-Soviet Countries.

In 2005, I took a PMF position at the Office of Air and Radiation, Climate Change Division. I am a Program Manager at the Coalbed Methane Outreach Program (CMOP), a voluntary, outreach program that encourages the coal mining industries in the US and abroad to reduce methane emissions. All of CMOP's international work falls under the auspices of the Methane to Markets Partnership. In effect, I work for both groups, managing coal sector projects in Russia and Ukraine. In October, 2006, I began a four month rotation at the US Trade Development Agency (USTDA) as a Country Manager for Ukraine, Russia, and the Caucuses. I have traveled to Russia, Geneva, Ukraine, China, and Poland with EPA and to Ukraine and Georgia with USTDA.

I love to travel, do yoga, go to the movies, and read.

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I'm a 2007 PMF working in EPA's Office of Environmental Information (OEI). My job involves a diverse portfolio of work on environmental indicators, which help EPA and the public understand the condition of the environment and human health. My primary role is serving as the staff support for the U.S.-Mexico Border 2012 program and its Border Indicators Task Force, which helps assess the activities of the Border 2012

program and assess the state of the border environment. Additionally, I'm leading work on EPA's Environmental Indicators Gateway website, to be launched in late March 2008 at www.epa.gov/indicators, and am also doing work on measuring the impact of EPA's energy and climate programs through the Administrator's Clean Energy and Climate Priority.

Originally from the Detroit area, I obtained a bachelor's in Environmental Studies and Political Science from Washington University in St. Louis, where I worked at the university's environmental law clinic and wrote my senior thesis on national parks management. After graduation, I moved to New York City to attend Columbia's MPA Program in Environmental Science and Policy, graduating in May 2007. While in New York, I managed an environmental consulting project with community groups in the South Bronx and interned at Mayor Bloomberg's PlaNYC sustainability office. When I'm not at my desk, I'm probably busy training for a marathon, biking to work, or following politics (like the rest of the DC population).

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I am a 2006 PMF who joined the Stratospheric Protection Division (SPD) in July 2006, where I focused primarily on the phaseout of methyl bromide, an agricultural fumigant that is also a potent ozone-depleting substance. I am finishing my fellowship on rotation at the Office of Transportation and Air Quality where I work on lifecycle assessment of GHG emissions from renewable fuels. I have a BA in economics from the University of Wisconsin-Madison (go Badgers!). My interest in environmental policy was piqued in Madison by Dr. William Cronon's course *Environmental History of America*. I went straight from Madison to Cornell University where I earned an MPA with a focus in energy and environmental policy. While in Ithaca I worked for the Cornell Environmental Compliance Office to implement a safety, health and environment management system for the University. In 2005, as an Environmental Careers Organization intern at the EPA Climate Change Division I helped develop the Methane to Markets Partnership, an international public-private initiative to advance the capture and use of methane as a clean energy source.

Sharyn Lie

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I joined the Office of Transportation and Air Quality in August 2006, where I currently work on economic analysis of greenhouse gas emissions from the transportation sector. I began my career at EPA as a Class of 2004 PMF, where I was Special Assistant to the Assistant Administrator of the Office of Air and Radiation. During my Fellowship, I rotated to the Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation's Smart Growth division, the Region 9 West Coast Diesel Collaborative, and the Senate Environment and Public Work's Committee.

Prior to joining EPA, I worked at several environmental consulting firms where I handled a diverse set of issues including environmentally preferable purchasing, fuel economy, and chemical registrations. While working full time, I obtained my Master of Public Policy from Georgetown University. I earned my Bachelor of Arts in Geology and Economics at Rice University in Houston, TX.

I enjoy socializing with my EPA colleagues through the EPA volleyball and softball leagues and the Emerging Leaders Network.

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I am a 2006 PMF and work in the Office of Planning, Analysis, and Accountability (OPAA), part of the Office of the Chief Financial Officer. OPAA manages the Agency process for strategic planning and accountability for environmental, fiscal, and managerial results (e.g. the Strategic Plan, Performance and Accountability Report, Annual Plan and Budget). I earned my Bachelor's degree from Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service where I majored in international affairs and received my Master of Public Policy, with a concentration in environmental policy, from the College of William and Mary's Thomas Jefferson Program in Public Policy. While in graduate school, I worked on a consulting project for a small manufacturing organization, assessing the business rationale behind the trend toward environmentally friendly manufacturing techniques. After working as a summer intern with EPA's Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation (OPEI), I looked forward to returning to the Agency and the PMF program afforded me this opportunity. I have completed a four-month rotation with the Office of Water, Office of Science & Technology, Standards and Health Protection Division where I worked on water quality standards for surface water protection and have recently begun my second rotation in the Office of Air and Radiation, Office of Atmospheric Programs, Climate Change Division working with the Methane to Markets Partnership. My areas of interest include climate change, renewable energy, and Chesapeake Bay restoration efforts. Outside of work, I like to travel (I lived overseas for 15 consecutive years), read, and spend time outdoors.

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I first joined EPA as a National Network of Environmental Management Studies (NNEMS) Fellow in summer 2005 with the Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards in Durham, NC, where I worked on health effects benefits estimation of air quality changes in China. I began my tenure as a Presidential Management Fellow (PMF) in August 2006 with the Office of Air and Radiation (OAR), as Special Assistant to the Assistant Administrator. I also represent the PMF Class of 2006 on the Agency's EIP/PMF Panel. In July 2007 I co-hosted an interagency PMF Forum on climate change mitigation technologies and policies. I joined the Energy and Commerce Committee in the House of Representatives in September 2007 on rotation. My educational background includes a bachelor's in economics from William and Mary and a master's in

environmental management from Duke. My interests focus on the intersection of air quality management, climate change mitigation, and energy demand and supply management through a balanced market-based and regulatory framework. I am originally from Atlanta, GA but consider Washington, DC my new home, especially since upon moving here I sold the car and have never been happier! I speak French fluently, enjoy making attempts at certain sports, and eat vegetarian more often than not.

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I joined EPA's Office of Solid Waste (OSW) in August 2006. As coordinator of OSW's Construction Initiative, I am promoting the recycling and beneficial use of industrial materials (such as coal fly ash, spent foundry sand, and construction and demolition materials) in building and transportation construction projects across the nation. For more information about the Construction Initiative and industrial materials recycling, I encourage you to visit our website, www.epa.gov/industrialmaterials. I also work on green building issues and participate in the EPA's Green Building Workgroup. Over the last year and a half as a PMF, I've had the opportunity to do strategic planning, work across EPA's Regions, manage contracts, and develop various marketing materials to support my program's goals. It's been a great experience. I recently began a 6-month detail to EPA's Office of Homeland Security, which will take me right up the end of my fellowship.

I chose the EPA as a PMF because I have always wanted to work for the Agency. In addition, during the PMF job fair I was particularly impressed with the enthusiasm and energy of the EPA PMFs, and am happy to say that positive experiences with my EPA colleagues have continued over the last year and half.

I grew up in Anchorage, Alaska, (yes, it was amazing and I love to talk about it!) and earned a B.A. in Political Science from Brandeis University in 2002. Just prior to joining EPA, I completed the Master of Public Administration in Environmental Science and Policy program at Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs. Outside of work, I enjoy dancing, acting and participating in local choirs. And of course, trying my hand at cooking Peruvian food for my husband!