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Sent: Thursday, February 19, 2015 11:28 AM
To: Wurfel, Brad (DEQ)
Subject: RE: flint and water

Yes that would really help. Epa couldn't give me a human being to interview. Just released a statement

From: Wurfel, Brad (DEQ) [mailto:WurfelB@michigan.gov]
Sent: Thursday, February 19, 2015 11:03 AM
To: Fonger, Ronald
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Hey, Ron. Thanks for the flare in the air about the NYT. I'll check with our folks and see what new thing may be in the offing, but the only thing I can think of is that testing for TTHM is required quarterly, and February is a testing month, and because their numbers were high for three quarters and the levels are based on the averaging of four quarters of data, Flint may very likely be in the awkward position of sending out another letter saying that although their test results are back in compliance, they're still out of compliance with the TTHM standard until the next testing period ... Gotta wait for the average to sort itself out.

Mike has been keeping me in the loop on his work with you. Presumed you were getting what you needed as we've not connected.

Also, this email reminds me I was going to find you a public health specialist at Community Health to help put TTHM in perspective as a health threat. I'll get on that before lunch.

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From: Fonger, Ronald [mailto:RFONGER1@mlive.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 19, 2015 10:55 AM
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Brad:

I'm hearing some buzz – and an equal amount of speculation – that there's something new coming out of the Lansing regarding Flint water.

Can you provide any information?

Also, FYI, a New York Times reporter is supposedly coming to town.

I've been working with Mike P on the story – hopefully for the weekend -- about TTHM issues elsewhere.

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