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**From:** Vanderhoof, John (DEQ)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 07, 2015 11:20 AM  
**To:** Krisztian, George (DEQ)  
**Subject:** RE: Temporary Assignment

Enjoy! I haven't followed the chemistry aspect of the flint water, but isn't there a simple pH or another adjustment that could resolve the leaching of lead from the old pipes and fixtures? They can't be the only municipality in the country that has had this issue, or are they the only one that had endusers look?

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**Sent:** Wednesday, October 07, 2015 9:21 AM  
**To:** Bertram, Kaitlyn (DEQ); Emington, Ann (DEQ); Ferritto, James (DEQ); Flickinger, Brian (DEQ); Laughlin, Theresa (DEQ); Maynard, David (DEQ); Puite, Tammie (DEQ); Swiger, Nick (DEQ); Vanderhoof, John (DEQ)  
**Subject:** FW: Temporary Assignment  
**Importance:** High

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**From:** Adelman, Mitch (DEQ)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 07, 2015 9:15 AM  
**To:** Aimar, Jennifer (DEQ); Aronoff, Lori (DEQ); Cogger, Jim (DEQ); Greer, Linda (DEQ); Hamel, Daniel (DEQ); Hiske, Terry (DEQ); Kolon, Sybil (DEQ); Lund, Kevin (DEQ); Doxtader, Sheryl (DEQ)  
**Cc:** DEQ-RRD-Field Managers  
**Subject:** FW: Temporary Assignment  
**Importance:** High

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**From:** Thelen, Mary Beth (DEQ)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 06, 2015 7:51 PM  
**To:** DEQ-EXE-MGMT-TEAM; DEQ-District-Coordination  
**Cc:** DEQ-EXE-MGMT-TEAM-Secretaries  
**Subject:** FW: Temporary Assignment  
**Importance:** High

FYI. Keeping you in the loop.

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**From:** Krisztian, George (DEQ)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 06, 2015 7:12 AM  
**To:** DEQ-RRD-Lab-Services  
**Cc:** Wagner, Robert (DEQ); Leeming, Susan (DEQ); Sackrider, Sarah (DEQ); Winters, Bobbie Jo (DEQ); Thelen, Mary Beth (DEQ)  
**Subject:** Temporary Assignment  
**Importance:** High

Dear Staff,

The last week has been exceptionally busy and I wanted to bring you up to date. As you are aware the City of Flint has been in the news concerning potential issues with their drinking water. In order to address these issues the DEQ is taking a number of steps to address stakeholder concerns.

Director Wyant has asked that I take on a special temporary assignment to assist the DEQ in working with our various partners to resolve this matter. Please note that although this assignment may take a significant amount of time, it is a temporary reassignment and I will be back at the Laboratory once it is complete.

During my absence Carol Smith and Kirby Shane will be alternating as the acting Laboratory Director. They will each serve alternating 3 month shifts until such time that I am able to rejoin the Lab. Carol Smith will be taking the first shift as acting Laboratory Director. I ask that you please continue to provide the same level of excellence to them as you have been so kind in providing to me.

I will maintain my office at the Lab and I will be stopping in as time permits. I have also indicated that I am happy to come by evenings and weekends should the need arise.

Thank you so much for your support!  
George

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