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FYI just in case.

What is latest on our involvement in this issue and coordination with Flint EM?

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For Immediate Release

Emergency Manager Statement on Water: Spending Extra \$12 Million on Detroit Water “Incomprehensible” When Flint Water Just as Safe

Flint, Michigan – March 24, 2015 – At the City Council meeting held on Monday, March 23, 2015, Flint City Council made a motion to “do all things necessary” to return to using water purchased from Detroit and discontinue use of the Flint River as a water source. The following statement from Emergency Manager Gerald Ambrose addresses that point:

“Flint water today is safe by all EPA and MDEQ standards and the City is working daily to improve its quality. Users also pay some of the highest rates in the state because of the decreased numbers of users and the age of the system.

“It is incomprehensible to me that 7 members of the Flint City Council would want to send more than \$12 million a year to the system serving southeast Michigan, even if Flint rate payers could afford it. Water from Detroit is no safer than water from Flint.

“If \$12 million annually were available for discretionary use, it would be far better spent reducing rates paid by Flint customers and/or modernizing the City's system.”

-Gerald Ambrose,

Flint Emergency Manager

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