
From: Rich Baird <rbaird003@hotmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, October 03, 2015 10:41 AM
To: Rick [PPI] Scott, Allison (GOV); J. Frank Brown
Subject: Fwd: Flint water background information
Attachments: Attachment-1.jpeg

Governor,

Frank is a good friend who serves on Home Depot's Board. He has been a big fan of what we are doing in Michigan and I am very appreciative of his and HD's quick and generous assistance.

Frank, your exec team was superb. Many many thanks!

Rich

Sent from my Verizon Wireless 4G LTE DROID

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From: "Brown, Frank" [REDACTED]
Date: Oct 3, 2015 8:49 AM
Subject: Fwd: Flint water background information
To: bairdr@michigan.gov, [REDACTED]
Cc:

Hi. Hope this was helpful. Have a good weekend.

Frank

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: [REDACTED]
Date: October 3, 2015 at 9:40:29 AM EDT
To: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Flint water background information

Frank: Just wanted to circle back on the action taken by the Home Depot Team. Our team connected with Richard Baird and received direction on the greatest need. As a result, we took the following action;

1. Donated 10 pallets of water for the Flint schools
2. Donated 8 pallets for the police and fire departments (we believe they will distribute to families)
3. We facilitated the purchase of water filters by the Red Cross (\$80,000) with our supplier

In addition we are lowering our pricing on water and filters in the market to assist customers with purchase. Our district manager also conducted a training session on how to install/use the filters which will be

shared with residents.

We will stay in contact with Rich and the Mayor's office if additional needs arise.

Craig

-----Original Message-----

From: Brown, Frank [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, September 30, 2015 10:48 AM
To: Menear, Craig A; Tome, Carol; Crow, Tim
Subject: Fwd: Flint water background information

Hi all. See below. My friend Rich is chief of staff for Governor Snyder. If we are interested in trying to help with this problem, please let me know and I will make the connection. Thanks a lot.

Frank

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Baird, Richard (GOV)"
<bairdr@michigan.gov<mailto:bairdr@michigan.gov><mailto:bairdr@michigan.gov>>
Date: September 30, 2015 at 3:34:15 PM GMT+1
To: "Frank Brown

[REDACTED]
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Cc: "Hollins, Harvey (GOV)"
<hollinsh@michigan.gov<mailto:hollinsh@michigan.gov><mailto:hollinsh@michigan.gov>>
Subject: FW: Flint water background information

Frank:

We have a situation in Flint, Michigan that is beginning to get national attention and could be an opportunity for Home Depot. 18 months ago, Flint switched its water supply from Detroit Water (the distance and pumping costs of going uphill made it quite expensive) to the Flint River as a temporary answer, until they could finish the construction to get their water from Lake Huron (Karagondi Water System). The corrosive attributes of the River water have exacerbated the lead deposit leaching into homeowner pipes and there is concern around lead poisoning, especially for infants.

The corporate community is rallying to address the problem. Meijer donated 1500 water filters to low income residents and GM is about to announce a donation of between 5,000 and 10,000 filters. I do not yet know where GM is getting the filters from, but I was thinking that Home Depot might want to join the effort with a donation, supply chain discounting assistance, or some combination of activity that could help Flint residents. Harvey Hollins is our point person for this effort, since he is the Director of Urban Initiatives for Governor Snyder. I have copied him here.

If you could get this into the hands of the right people and see if there is interest in speaking with Harvey, I

would be very appreciative. Thanks and take care.

Regards,

Rich

From: Murray, David (GOV)
Sent: Wednesday, September 30, 2015 9:35 AM
To: Baird, Richard (GOV)
Subject: Flint water background information

Hi Rich,

These are two documents that I think are helpful addressing the questions about lead and Flint water overall, prepared by DEQ and DHHS. These were intended for internal use, so please ask our partners to not share them beyond the people on their teams making the decisions.

Please let me know if you need anything else.

Dave

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