
From: Agen, Jarrod (GOV)
Sent: Friday, September 25, 2015 12:44 PM
To: Murray, David (GOV)
Subject: Re: Questions About Flint Water

I think it's perfectly fair to say the emergency manager took the action following an 8-1 vote of the Flint City Council and the recommendation from the mayor.

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> On Sep 25, 2015, at 12:41 PM, Murray, David (GOV) <MurrayD1@michigan.gov> wrote:

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> Jarrod,

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> The first question from this Flint television reporter might be the opening we are looking for. I know we're being RPA and careful, but can I use this as an opportunity to point out that the emergency manager took the action following an 8-1 vote of the Flint City Council and the recommendation from the mayor -- and that the EM was following the wishes of the local leaders?

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> It's not like the vote was a secret, and there are stories about it at the time. We've tread lightly there before, but her question allows us to state that accurately and openly. Can I go there?

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> Here question:

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> 1 - When the City of Flint switched from the Detroit Water system to the Flint River under the leadership of Darnell Earley, what was the thought process or reasoning behind that?

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> What do you think?

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Dupnack, Jessica [<mailto:jessica.dupnack@abc12.com>]

> Sent: Friday, September 25, 2015 12:24 PM

> To: Murray, David (GOV) <MurrayD1@michigan.gov>

> Subject: Questions About Flint Water

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> Hello! Below are the questions I'm requesting. It pertains to recent findings by Virginia Tech University and physicians at Hurley Medical Center that show elevated levels of Lead in the water. Particularly unsafe levels found in children's bloodstream in Flint. Both are blaming Flint River water as the cause for these levels. As they were compared to Lead blood levels in children prior to switching from the Detroit Water System to the Flint River.

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> 1 - When the City of Flint switched from the Detroit Water system to the Flint River under the leadership of Darnell Earley, what was the thought process or reasoning behind that?

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> 2 - What kind of specific analysis was done before making those decisions. Not speaking to the financial analysis but rather the scientific study of what switching sources could potentially mean?

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> 3 - There has been a big push from residents, nationally renown scientists and now the medical community to switch back to The Detroit Water System because it is less corrosive. In turn, reducing the amount of Lead in the system due to the highly corrosive Flint River Water. What would it take to do so given that under PA 436 the decision made under Earley cannot be reversed?

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> 4 - Has he Governor been in contact with City of Flint officials regarding this matter?

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> 5 - Flint Mayor Dayne Walling has requested financial support from the state in helping with what some are calling a Lead crisis. Is that something the Governor is considering? Given that the decision to switch off of Detroit was under the backing of the Department of Treasury i.e. Darnell Earley.

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> Thanks!

> Jessica Dupnack