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Sent: Friday, September 25, 2015 8:40 AM
To: Pallone, Maggie (DEQ)
Subject: FW: Consumer Notice (draft) - city of Flint
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Maggie

My original e-mail did not get sent to you due to typo when I was entering your name in the address box; thus, I am re-sending the message to you separately. If you do not receive the attachment, let me know. Thanks.

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Sent: Friday, September 25, 2015 8:30 AM
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Brad, Maggie

Mr. Howard Kroft from the city of Flint has prepared a draft Public Health Advisory regarding lead in drinking water that he intends to publish today. Mr. Kroft requested us to review the draft advisory and make any revisions as needed. Attached is a copy of the draft advisory along with our tracked changes. If there are any further edits you see fit, let me know. Also, I will be out of the office today after 11am. Thanks.

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Consumer Awareness Notice Public Health Advisory Regarding Lead in Drinking Water

The City of Flint is issuing a Public Health Advisory for residents to be aware of lead levels in drinking water. While the City is in full compliance with the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act, has not exceeded the lead Action Level (15 parts per billion), this advisory is being issued as part of a public information campaign to ensure that everyone takes note that no level of lead is considered safe.

Lead contamination can leach into water from a home's lead water service lines, lead solder, and leaded plumbing materials including fixtures, faucets, and fittings. Older service lines with pipes and fixtures installed before 1986 can sometimes be more susceptible to lead issues due to materials used in the home such as lead based paint and lead pipes. This message is meant as a precaution to residents and does not mean that all homes in the City will experience the same issue.

In an effort to minimize any potential risk, the City of Flint Public Works Department advises the public to take the following precautions:

- Flush water for at least five minutes prior to use.
- Only use cold water for cooking and drinking.
- Have your water tested (see information below).

For more specific questions about lead related issues please visit the Genesee County Health Department website at www.gchd.us. The City of Flint is working proactively along with the County Health Department, the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to improve the water system throughout the City. Activities include the city's plan to install corrosion control treatment at the Water Treatment Plant by January 2016.

The City's Utilities Division continues to offer free water testing by calling the Water Treatment Plant at 810-787-6537 and pressing #1 after prompted or by emailing flintwater@cityofflint.com.