
From: Wurfel, Brad (DEQ)
Sent: Monday, December 07, 2015 9:34 AM
To: Livengood, Chad
Subject: Re: Flint water question CORRECTION

That's right.

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 5, 2015, at 10:49 AM, Livengood, Chad <CLivengood@detroitnews.com> wrote:

Brad,
 I am writing a story for Monday's paper about these loans. I just want to make sure I'm correct about something... This is a federally-funded revolving loan fund for drinking water infrastructure projects that is managed by the DEQ, correct?

But authority over forgiving the old loans rests with the EPA. Just want to be clear.

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Flint presently owes \$20.8 million on four old loans. They are scheduled to be paid-off on those loans in 2024.

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Brad,

Thanks for the follow-up on this. Do you know, by chance, how much the city of Flint owes for existing loans? Are there multiple loans?

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Importance: High

Chad,

Just walked out of a meeting where this was discussed (among other things), so let me correct myself.

DEQ cannot do forgiveness of existing loans (that would require EPA approval). We CAN do loan forgiveness at some level on NEW loans, and we are discussing this possibility with the City of Flint

At a meeting between Director Wyant and the new mayor yesterday, and again at our regular weekly meeting with Flint officials today, this issue was on the agenda, and DEQ is open to it.

We've asked the city for some documentation that is key to this conversation – a reliability study, a needs survey, and asset management plan, and the city's capital improvement plan.

Bottom line, however, is that the Governor's plan calls for long-term address of the lead issue that includes removal of lead service lines, and we're already in discussions with city officials about how to fulfill that commitment.

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