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George or Julia,

Are you prepared for performing analyses for legionella in water? If so, would you please answer the questions below. If not, do you know if the DCH lab is capable of doing so? Can you provide a contact. Liane suggest I copy Linda Dykema, so perhaps she can answer for community health, particularly if there are any labs in Southwest Michigan that may be relied upon if the state is unable to do so.

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To: Benzie, Richard (DEQ); Shekter Smith, Liane (DEQ)
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FYI

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Julia,

Summary at 10:05am Mick McGuire of the Van Buren Cass County District Health Dept contacted this office.

- Per Mick McGuire, Van Buren Cass County District Health Dept, there is a man who was diagnosed with Legionnaires Disease either yesterday, or today.
- It is not known which location this "man" may have worked at: Either Cass County or Berrien County.
- The VBCCDHD is investigating IF the "man" works at a previously "inactive" Type 2 public water supply in Cass County.
 - The VBCCDHD is ALSO investigating IF the "man" works at a previously "inactive" Type 2 public water supply in Berrien County.

The QUESTIONS:

DEQ Lab:

- 1) Does our DEQ lab analyze water for Legionnaires' Disease?
- 2) If so, what bottle is used?

- 3) If so, and IF sample(s) are collected today, at what time does the sample need to be into the lab?

Are there other Lab options:

- 4) Do you have names and contacts of a Cass County or Kalamazoo County lab which can test for Legionnaires' Disease in water?
- 5) Do you have names and contact of a Berrien County lab which can test for Legionnaires' Disease in water?
- 6)

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