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Subject: RE: Comments on SoS
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Dan,
Thanks for putting this draft together. I agree with Rich's edits, and the attached document has my recommendations. Also, I suggest we add the following departments to comment on this document as the issue in Flint now goes beyond water quality: Treasury, MSP and Dept. of Education. I've taken the liberty to solicit comments from the added directors through this reply.

Best,
Harvey

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Dan:

I added Jarrod and Meegan since we were engaged with Harvey and with Governor Thursday morning last week. I may be advocating a higher degree of "aggression" than others deem proper and I will defer to Jarrod after having had my say.

My key points on the attached (with suggested language and which have been highlighted) are:

- 1). Apologize. It happened on our watch and it shouldn't have happened, no matter what the law says.
- 2). Invite those who were the biggest burrs under the saddle to come work with us. In fact, we should be articulating how they have already been invited to our labs to collaborate on the findings and conclusions.
- 3). Start framing the infrastructure problem. We have huge problems throughout the state with aged piping and plumbing. Ignoring it will be at the peril of future generations. We should put a number out there on what it is going to take to fix it or conclude it is safe for generations to come.

Thanks for taking the lead.

Regards,

Rich