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From: Darnell Earley <darnell.earley@detroitk12.org>
Sent: Sunday, September 27, 2015 11:54 AM
To: Stanton, Terry A. (Treasury)
Subject: Re: Flint

Thanks Terry,

Should we do anything else on this? I think it is misleading for her to say that the decision to go to Flint River water was made under my watch. That was all part of the process already approved by the mayor, council and the state. There was no mechanism nor reason available for me to undo that decision. It made good long-term as well as short term sense.

I would appreciate your thoughts.

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From: Stanton, Terry A. (Treasury) <StantonT@michigan.gov>
Sent: Sunday, September 27, 2015 11:26 AM
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Subject: Flint

Darnell...

My apologies. Meant to send you an email yesterday after I sent the info below to Nancy Kaffer at the Free Press.

Terry

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- > Nancy--
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- > Sorry I didn't get this to you sooner, but had to pull some information together.
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- > I am sending you a series of documents (3) to help frame the situation regarding Flint water.
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- > The first is a letter Flint officials sent to DWSD in June of 2012, requesting that Flint be allowed to "blend" DWSD water with Flint river water to keep costs for Flint reasonable and affordable. Please note that DWSD was increasing rates by 5-times.
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- > The second letter (Sept. 2012) from the city of Flint to the DWSD again requests written approval for the city to "blend" water, as requested in the June letter. These letters were sent to DWSD as Flint officials, including the Mayor and city council, considered a move to KWA vs staying with DWSD. That decision was made in March-April of 2013.
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- > In April of 2013, Flint received the 3rd document, from DWSD, terminating the contract with Flint effective April 17, 2014. It is my understanding that the City of Flint then worked over the next number of months to upgrade its water

facilities, test those facilities for quality and efficient water supply to residents and to gain Department of Environmental Quality approval to use Flint River water until KWA was operational in the spring of 2016.

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> Given DWSD's decision to terminate Flint's contract...and given that the Flint River had long been the city's backup source, Flint was faced with limited options until KWA was operational.

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> I would suggest you contact Brad Wurfel at DEQ if you haven't already, as he could probably assist with additional information about the use of the Flint River and DEQ approval, etc.

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> Terry