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VIA E-MAIL

The Honorable Karen Williams Weaver, Mayor
City of Flint
1101 South Saginaw Street
Flint, Michigan 48502

Dear Mayor Weaver:

SUBJECT: Proposed Administrative Consent Order (ACO) between the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) and the City of Flint (City)

As you know, the City was issued a Significant Deficiency Violation Notice on August 11, 2017, as a result of a sanitary survey conducted at the City's water treatment plant. The City has not resolved all of the identified deficiencies at this time. It is department policy to address any issues that are not resolved within 120 days with an ACO to formalize a schedule to return the system to compliance. The ACO is designed to be an agreement between the City and the MDEQ with defined timelines which both parties agree are achievable. In continued partnership with the City, the MDEQ will be sending you a proposed ACO in the next few days.

We urge the City to carefully review the draft ACO and develop realistic dates that the City can achieve to bring your drinking water system back into compliance. The MDEQ commits to assisting the City in resolving these issues; however, the City is primarily responsible for the operation of its system in compliance with applicable laws.

We look forward to successfully completing the ACO and working with you to solve the many issues facing the City. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or my staff.

Sincerely,

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