



CITY OF FLINT

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Mayor

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Sent via Email

Dear Mr. Korleski:

The City of Flint is diligently developing the information required for its next response to the November 17, 2016 First Amendment to the Emergency Administrative Order (“Order”). Under the Amended Order, *Paragraph 60* was revised to require a submittal addressing a *New Source Treatment Plan (60.b.iii)* by March 1, 2017. While the City intends to fulfill the majority of the March 1 response requirements, it is requesting an extension of time for two elements of the Amended Order.

The City is currently undertaking an evaluation of water source alternatives. This evaluation is required to access the DWRP/WIIN funding for the proposed treatment plant improvements. The City believes that it would be prudent to delay public participation in the *New Source Treatment Plan* development until this evaluation is complete and the proper economic, social, political and public health issues are vetted. However, the City intends to submit a “Public Participation Plan” with its March 1 response which will outline how the public will be engaged after the water source alternative evaluation is complete.

Additionally, *Paragraph 60.b.iii* states that “The NSTP shall address the City’s technical, managerial and financial capacity to operate its PWS in compliance with the SDWA and NPDWRs”. Since the competencies necessary to meet this goal will vary based on the water source alternative selected, it is also requested that this requirement be extended until after the water source evaluation is complete.

As co-responders to the Order, Mr. Bryce Feighner (Director – Drinking Water and Municipal Assistance Division, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ)) has reviewed this submittal on behalf of the State and concurs with the content of the document.

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If you have clarifying questions and/or need additional information, please contact me at (810) 237-2035 or via email at kweaver@cityofflint.com.

Respectfully submitted,



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