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**TO:** Interested Party

**RE:** Consultation Summary Project Number 2539-Eligibility - Flint  
Water Group Eligibility Criteria Update

Thank you for your comment(s) to the Behavioral and Physical Health and Aging Services Administration relative to Project Number 2539-Eligibility. Your comment has been considered in the preparation of the final publication, a copy of which is attached for your information.

Responses to specific comments are addressed below.

**Comment:** Are children who are born after September 30, 2025, to parents exposed to the flint water system during the specified time period eligible for benefits should they be born with side effects of lead exposure?

**Response:** If a pregnant individual consumes water from the Flint Water System before September 30, 2025, then the child(ren) they are pregnant with at that time will be eligible for the Flint Water group when they are born. Children whose pregnancy period does not overlap with any dates on or before September 30, 2025, will not be eligible for the Flint water group.

Thank you for your inquiry. We trust that previous responses addressed the concerns and questions noted. If you wish to comment further, send your comments to Kayla Lowers at [LowersK@michigan.gov](mailto:LowersK@michigan.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Meghan E. Groen".

Meghan E. Groen, Chief Deputy Director  
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