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Dr. Karen Weaver Mayor

May 19, 2017

Mr. Chris Korleski, Director Water Division, Region 5 United States Environmental Protection Agency Ralph Metcalfe Federal Building 77 West Jackson Boulevard (W-15J) Chicago, Illinois 60604-3590

Sent via Email

Dear Mr. Korleski:

This correspondence is in response to your May 4, 2017 letter in which you requested the City of Flint to provide updates to its Public Participation Plan and responses to USEPA's comments on the Corrosion Control Study (CCS) Plan. Both of these documents supported Flint's water source recommendation that designated Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) as the City's long-term, primary water source and Genesee County Drain Commissioner as its back-up water source.

A revised Public Participation Plan is attached. This Plan summarizes the numerous community outreach activities, media announcements/postings and other communication techniques that have been used to inform the public on the water source selection process and recommendation. Additionally, the public has been encouraged to e-mail their questions and feedback to the City. The public feedback period will end on May 20, 2017 but the City will continue to inform the public on the water source recommendation after that date. All comments will be considered. In early June, all legal Agreements and contracts will be finalized and the approval process will commence with all stakeholders including the Flint City Council, Flint RTAB, Great Lakes Water Authority, Genesee County Drain Commissioner, Karegnondi Water Authority and State of Michigan. The goal is to obtain all necessary approvals in June, 2017.

Also attached is a revised CCS Plan concept that incorporates the City's responses to USEPA's comments regarding the proposed CCS Plan. We request an expedited review of these responses and the revised Plan concept so the CCS Plan design can be completed and the CCS can begin.

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.

We encourage USEPA to proactively support the City and its water source selection as we proceed through the approval process. 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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Mayor

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Mr. Sylvester Jones, City of Flint

Attachments:

Revised Public Participation Plan

Responses to EPA's Flint Technical Support Team