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Attention: Food Establishments using City of Flint water supply

Dear Food Establishment Operator:

On October 5, 2015, you were sent a document recommending actions to take to avoid the risk of serving lead contaminated water to your customers. Effective immediately, the recommendations have been changed to a legal requirement, and food establishment license enforcement action may be taken if non-compliance is found until the public health emergency declaration has been lifted.

Please see the updated attached requirements sheet. Immediate action may be needed by your establishment to come into compliance.

Your establishment has three options:

1. Demonstrate your establishment is not using the City of Flint water supply for drinking, processing or cooking.
2. Demonstrate your water has been tested and is safe to use. You may request free testing by a regulatory official. To schedule a free collection and analysis of your food establishment's water for lead, call 1-800-292-3939, M-F, and state you're a "Flint food establishment requesting a water test". Be prepared to provide a sampling time when your entire water system won't have been used for at least 6 hours. Sampling appointments between 5 a.m. and 4 p.m. are available. State offices are closed on January 18, 2016.
3. Install water filters as needed, and do daily flushing of unfiltered faucets and hard plumbed equipment. (Discontinuing use, flushing, etc. will still be needed until a safe water test is obtained).

Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development inspectors are assisting the Genesee County Health Department in conducting sampling and inspections, so you may work with a different person other than your regular food safety inspector. Inspectors will also be making visits to establishments in the coming weeks to provide assistance and verify compliance.

For additional information, call 1-800-292-3939 or for the latest information on the Flint water response visit www.michigan.gov/flintwater. We look forward to assisting you in any way possible.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. Besey'.

Kevin Besey, Director
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