

April 23, 2018

BY ELECTRONIC MAIL: mdhhs-foia@michigan.gov

MDHHS
Attn: FOIA Coordinator
Bureau of Legal Affairs
PO Box 30195
Lansing, Michigan 48909

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear FOIA Coordinator,

Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington (“CREW”) makes this request for records pursuant to the Michigan Freedom of Information Act (“FOIA”), MCL § 15.231 et seq., to the Michigan Department of Health and Human Service’s (“DHHS”).

Specifically, CREW requests copies of any and all communications, from January 1, 2017 to the present, sent to or from Director Nick Lyon; Chief Deputy Director Nancy Vriebel; Deputy Director Terrence M. Beurer; Deputy Director GERALYN Lasher; Deputy Director Matt Lori; Deputy Director Susan Moran; Chief Medical Executive Eden V. Wells; EDD Executive Director Herman McCall; and Acting Deputy Director Kathy Stiffler

- (1) Discussing the city of Flint, Michigan’s water crisis and any scientific or other findings on the lead levels in the city’s water as well as the lead levels in its pipes, especially any findings that support and/or contradict the determination that the water crisis is “over”;
- (2) Discussing any other “contaminants” discovered in the city’s water;
- (3) Discussing any health findings on the city of Flint’s population, such as viruses or diseases, or similar “outbreaks” (or “outbreak”), especially conversations on Legionnaires’ Disease and “poisoning”;
- (4) Discussing the availability and distribution of funds to the city, to include conversations where itemized and enacted budgets appear; and
- (5) Discussing the state’s decision to end Nestle Waters North America, Inc.’s distribution of bottled water to the city.

Please search for responsive records regardless of format, medium, or physical characteristics: We seek records of any kind, including paper records, electronic records, audiotapes, videotapes, photographs, data, and graphical material. Our request includes without limitation all correspondence, letters, emails (to include cc or bcc), text messages, social media messages, facsimiles, telephone messages, voice mail messages, and transcripts, notes, or

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minutes of any meetings, telephone conversations, or discussions. Our request also includes any attachments to emails and other records.

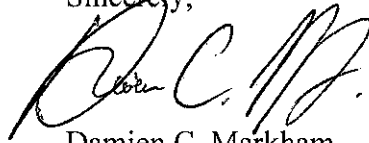
If there are any fees for searching or copying these records, CREW requests that such fees be waived because the requested information is in the public interest and will contribute to the public's understanding of how the state of Michigan came to its determination that the crisis is "over", and the process and findings for which making such a determination requires. CREW does not seek the requested documents for commercial purposes. If a waiver is not granted, please inform me if the cost will exceed \$50.

CREW notes that the Michigan Freedom of Information Act requires a response to this request within five business days. If the records I have requested will take longer to produce, please contact me about when CREW can expect copies of the requested records.

If you have any questions about this request or foresee any problems in fully releasing the requested records, please contact me at (202) 897-1844 or dmarkham@citizensforethics.org.

Where possible, please produce records in electronic format. Please send the requested records to me either at dmarkham@citizensforethics.org or at Damien C. Markham, Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington, 455 Massachusetts Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Damien C. Markham". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Damien C. Markham
Research Associate