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January 4, 2016

Honorable Rick Snyder
Governor
Office of Governor
State of Michigan
P.O. Box 30013
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**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR GOVERNOR'S EMERGENCY/DISASTER
DECLARATION**

Dear Governor Snyder:

On January 4, 2016 pursuant to Section 10 of Act 390, P.A. 1976, as amended, I declared that a "State of Emergency" exists in Genesee County due to the introduction of lead into the public water system and subsequently elevated blood lead levels exceeding governmental standards. The response and recovery aspects of the Genesee County emergency operations plan have been activated, and local resources are being utilized to the fullest extent practicable. Despite these efforts, local resources are not sufficient to cope with the situation.

Therefore, in accordance with Section 12 of Act 390, P.A. 1976, as amended, I deem this incident to be beyond the control of Genesee County, and I respectfully request, for and on behalf of the citizens of Genesee County that the Governor declare a "State of Emergency/Disaster" exists therein and that consideration be given, if conditions warrant, to petitioning the President of the United States for assistance provided by Public Law 93-288, as amended. In support of this request, we will submit specific damage assessment data through official channels and in accordance with the guidance in EMD PUB-901 (*Damage Assessment Handbook*) within three (3) days of this disaster, unless circumstances dictate an earlier submittal as requested by the Emergency Management Division, Department of State Police. Furthermore, I understand that this request will not be acted upon without sufficient damage assessment data to substantiate the need for assistance.

Specifically, I request the following assistance:

ESF #3 / Infrastructure Systems Recovery Support Function support to include but not limited to:

- Post-incident assessments of public works and infrastructure
- Executing emergency contract support for life-sustaining services

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- Providing technical assistance to include engineering expertise, construction management, contracting, and real estate services
- Providing emergency repair of damaged public infrastructure and critical infrastructure

ESF #8 support to include but not limited to:

- Assessment of public health/medical needs
- Health surveillance
- Medical care personnel
- Patient care
- Behavioral health care
- Public health and medical information
- Potable water

ESF #11 support to include but not limited to:

- Provision of nutritional assistance
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Accordingly, be advised that Christopher DeVriendt, Interim Genesee County Emergency Management Manager will provide liaison and coordination with State and Federal authorities for assistance related to this disaster, and in accordance with Section 14 of Act 390, P.A. 1976, as amended, he is directed to transmit this request to the appropriate State Police Emergency Management Division (EMD) District Coordinator by the most expeditious means.

Authorized By:



Jamie Curtis - Chairperson
Genesee County Board of Commissioners