

March 12th, 2019

To the Distinguished Members of the Milwaukee Steering and Rules Committee,

We wish to thank Dr. Helen Meier and Dr. Noelle Chesley for their review of a portion of our research. We appreciate that they took the time to give their opinions. Freshwater for Life Action Coalition (FLAC) and Get The Lead Out Coalition (GTLO) welcome them to attend our community assemblies in which we give the full presentation with the questions that we are asking to various City of Milwaukee departments.

We have had our national experts who are familiar with our research review their critiques. FLAC, Get the Lead Out Coalition, our national experts, and members of the community encourage and support the continuation of our work.

The Milwaukee community has the right to ask questions that will lead to tangible solutions to protect our public health. As Freshwater for Life Action Coalition (FLAC) and Get The Lead Out Coalition (GTLO) highlighted in the Steering and Rules Committee hearing on February 14th, there are valid questions regarding lead in our drinking water and infant mortality that demand further research.

We appreciate Dr. Meier's and Dr. Chesley's interests in the complex issue of toxic lead in our drinking water, as well as the relationship between lead poisoning and infant mortality in Milwaukee. We are happy to collaborate with those who want to join our efforts. We encourage Dr. Meier and Dr. Chesley to continue their efforts to reduce childhood lead poisoning and infant mortality in the City of Milwaukee.

We are dedicated to understanding this complex issue in its totality and will continue forward with our research efforts on the local and national level.

Thank you.

Freshwater for Life Action Coalition
Get the Lead Out Coalition
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