**To:** Laureano, Javier[laureano.javier@epa.gov]; Ash, Christine[Ash.Christine@epa.gov]
**Cc:** Arcaya, Alyssa[arcaya.alyssa@epa.gov]; Balla, Richard[Balla.Richard@epa.gov]; Brandt, Peter[Brandt.Peter@epa.gov]; Gratz, Jeff[Gratz.Jeff@epa.gov]
**From:** Pabst, Douglas
**Sent:** Fri 4/27/2018 3:33:25 PM
**Subject:** RE: Newark's and NJDEP's statements re: lead in Newark drinking water intent to sue notice

Thanks. Please let me know if you need anything further.

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**From:** Laureano, Javier
**Sent:** Friday, April 27, 2018 10:48 AM
**To:** Ash, Christine <Ash.Christine@epa.gov>; Pabst, Douglas <Pabst.Douglas@epa.gov>
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**Subject:** Fwd: Newark's and NJDEP's statements re: lead in Newark drinking water intent to sue notice

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> **From:** "Laureano, Javier" <laureano.javier@epa.gov>
> **Date:** April 27, 2018 at 10:46:42 AM EDT
> **To:** "Mears, Mary" <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** "Mugdan, Walter" <Mugdan.Walter@epa.gov>, "Lopez, Peter" <lopez.peter@epa.gov>, "Lyon, Christopher" <lyon.christopher@epa.gov>, "LaPosta, Dore" <LaPosta.Dore@epa.gov>, "Kluesner, Dave" <kluesner.dave@epa.gov>, "Covington, Tayler" <covington.tayler@epa.gov>, "Rini, Sophia" <Rini.Sophia@epa.gov>
> **Subject: Re: Newark's and NJDEP's statements re: lead in Newark drinking water intent to sue notice**
>
> Thank you, Mary. CWD will keep working with NJ on LCR and taking a close look at this situation.
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> Have a great day and weekend,
>
> Javier
> On Apr 27, 2018, at 10:41 AM, Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov> wrote:
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> > FYI. Below is NJDEP's statement, and, below that, a statement released by Newark.
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> > **From:** Hajna, Larry [mailto:Larry.Hajna@dep.nj.gov]
> > **Sent:** Friday, April 27, 2018 10:37 AM
> > **To:** Mears, Mary <Mears.Mary@epa.gov>
> > **Subject:** RE: Urgent Statement About the Quality of Newark's Water
> >
> > Mary – This is the official statement we released: **We just received the notification from the NRDC , and we are reviewing it. In the meantime, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection fully understands the importance of clean drinking water and takes very seriously the federal and state**

**Safe Drinking Water Acts and their mission to protect public health. The DEP continues to work closely with the Newark Water Department to ensure that all necessary action is taken to address any lead action level exceedance and to bring the water system into compliance.**

**Lawrence Hajna**
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**From:** Mears, Mary [mailto:Mears.Mary@epa.gov]
**Sent:** Friday, April 27, 2018 10:23 AM
**To:** Hajna, Larry <Larry.Hajna@dep.nj.gov>
**Cc:** Covington, Tayler <covington.tayler@epa.gov>; Kluesner, Dave <kluesner.dave@epa.gov>
**Subject:** FW: Urgent Statement About the Quality of Newark's Water

Hi Larry,
Hope you are well. If you all are saying anything about this intent to sue publicly, can you share it with me?

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**From:** Newark Press Office [mailto:pressoffice=ci.newark.nj.us@cmail20.com] **On Behalf Of** Newark Press Office
**Sent:** Thursday, April 26, 2018 6:38 PM
**To:** Byck, Sabina <Byck.Sabina@epa.gov>
**Subject:** Urgent Statement About the Quality of Newark's Water

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# An Urgent Statement About the Quality of Newark's Water

## An organization has made absolutely and outrageously false statements about Newark's water.

**The truth is that the water supplied by the City is safe to drink. Our water fully complies with federal and state regulations.**

**The City's water is NOT contaminated with lead. The only high lead readings were taken inside older 1 and 2 family homes that have lead pipes leading from the city's pure water into those homes. The city is helping those homeowners to replace their pipes.**

**Our water is safe. In fact Newark has some of the best water in the State of New Jersey. We will keep you informed every step of the way. Again, Newark's water meets all federal and state standards, and this issue is confined to a limited number of homes with lead service lines.**

**If you suspect that your home has a lead service line, contact the Department of Water & Sewer Utilities by phone at (973) 733-4311 or by email at waterandsewer@ci.newark.nj.us.**

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