



John R. Kasich, Governor
Mary Taylor, Lt. Governor
Craig W. Butler, Interim Director

January 30, 2014

Re: City of Toledo
Community Water System
PWS ID: 4801411

D. Michael Collins, Mayor
City of Toledo
420 Madison Avenue, Suite 100
Toledo, Ohio 43604

Dear Mayor Collins:

I am writing to request a meeting with you to discuss the City of Toledo's public water system. The City of Toledo faces significant challenges completing a large number of critical infrastructure projects to ensure a reliable and safe source of drinking water. The objectives of our meeting would be to discuss and gain an understanding of:

- the urgency of needed repairs and upgrades;
- the full scope and timing of improvement projects;
- other needed infrastructure improvements; and,
- the City's project planning and management process for short and long term water system improvements.

We previously scheduled to meet with the City in November 2013; however, the meeting was cancelled due to the change in Administration. One purpose of the November 2013 meeting was to discuss progress on the additional alum storage and feed facilities and the City's request to extend the Director's deadline past December 31, 2013. On a January 23, 2014, conference call, City staff and Ohio EPA determined the City failed to meet the Director's December 31, 2013 deadline and will not meet the City's previously requested deadline of February 25, 2014. In addition, the City failed to make repairs to the sedimentation basin vents by the September 30, 2013 deadline. The City indicated these repairs will be completed sometime later in 2014. Ohio EPA will be issuing a notice of violation of Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) rule 3745-81-60(E) for failing to correct these significant deficiencies in accordance with the Director's approved schedule and requiring public notification.

Please contact Ellen Gerber, Manager of the Drinking Water Program in our Northwest District Office, at 419-352-8461 to coordinate a meeting date and time in Toledo that

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works for everyone. We would also like to arrange a second meeting on same day to meet with utility staff and the construction management services contractor to talk in more detail about specific on-going projects.

Sincerely,



Michael G. Baker, Chief
Division of Drinking and Ground Waters

cc: Robin L. Whitney, Director, Dept. of Public Utilities, City of Toledo
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