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LSLR Board members,

I am circulating the email below provided by Board member Africa. This topic will be placed on the agenda for the meeting in November.

Thank you,

Jeffrey J. Guy

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From: Rev, Africa <Africa.Rev@Illinois.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, August 31, 2022 8:43 AM
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Jeff,

As you are aware, I have volunteered to assist with compiling the draft report for the Governor and General Assembly. The board is tasked with producing a report on recommendations concerning the opportunities for dedicated, long-term revenue options for funding lead service line replacement. The six topics that must be addressed in the report include:

- 1. The sufficiency of various revenue sources to adequately fund replacement of all lead service lines in Illinois.
- 2. The financial burden, if any, on households falling below 150% of the federal poverty limit.
- 3. Revenue options that guarantee low-income households are protected from rate increases.
- 4. An assessment of the ability of community water supplies to assess and collect revenue.
- 5. Variations in financial resources among individual household within a service area.
- 6. The protection of low-income households from rate increases.

I understand that the current approach includes providing the Governor and General Assembly with copies of board presentations, along with written explanations, comments from board members and any other relevant materials/communications. While I believe these items are essential to the report, I am concerned that this approach alone may not be sufficient to produce a report that adequately addresses the items enumerated above. Our board is very diverse, and I think engaging in more robust discussions, on each topic, will put us in a better position to report on the issues.

I welcome a conversation with board members on the best approach for addressing the above topics and preparing our report. I would also like to propose that we consider creating working groups. Each work group could be responsible for fully vetting a topic, preparing a writeup and reporting back to the full board for discussion, input, revisions, and final approval. The various writeups could then be combined into one, helping to create our report. This is just one suggestion, I'm open to exploring others. Is it possible to try and iron out the best approach prior to our November meeting?

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Africa

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