Lead Service Line Replacement Advisory Board Meeting Minutes March 8, 2023 Webex Webinar or In-person at Illinois EPA Headquarters

The Lead Service Line Replacement Advisory Board (Board) was called to order at approximately 1:00 p.m. with the following Board members:

Sanjay Sofat, Chief, Bureau of Water, Illinois EPA (present)

Africa, Associate Director, Illinois Department of Revenue (present)

Jason Bauer, Assistant City Engineer, City of Aurora (absent)

Anna-Lisa Castle, Policy Director, Clean Water & Equity, Alliance for the Great Lakes (absent)

Andrea Cheng, Commissioner, City of Chicago (present)

Brad Cole, Executive Director, Illinois Municipal League (absent)

Brian Cox, Plumbing and Water Quality Program Manager, Illinois Department of Public Health (present)

Briana Parker, Associate Director, Elevate Energy (present)

Joseph Healy, Business Manager, LiUNA Local 1092 (present)

Paul Hinterlong, Councilman, City of Naperville (present)

Darrell King, Water Production Bureau Chief, City of Evanston (present)

Todd LaFountain, Water Division Manager, City of Springfield, City Water, Light and Power (absent)

Brent O'Neill, Director of Engineering, Illinois American Water (absent)

Brian Rader, Public Works Superintendent, Village of Caseyville (present)

Jones Richmond, Business Representative, Plumbers Local 130 (present)

Brenda Santoyo, Little Village Environmental Justice Organization (present)

Kyle Saunders, Public Works Director, City of Rockford (absent)

Iyana Simba, Illinois Environmental Council (absent)

Tom Somers, Director of Public Works, City of Herrin (present)

Allison Swisher, Department of Public Utilities, City of Joliet (absent)

Mike Pubentz, Interim Water Director, City of Elgin (present)

Justin Williams, Metropolitan Planning Council (absent)

Others attending (In-person):

Brad Frost, Illinois EPA
Gary Bingenheimer, Illinois EPA
Michael Brown, Illinois EPA

Brad Frost took a roll call of Board members present.

Brad Frost made a motion to approve the draft meeting minutes from the previous meeting. This motion was seconded by Paul Hinterlong, and the draft meeting minutes were adopted by a unanimous vote.

Summary of Discussion:

Africa began the discussion with a request of an outline of the offer to organize the draft report by Brad Cole. She suggested that the offer should be clearly defined in writing for the board to ensure there is no miscommunication. Gary Bingenheimer clarified that what is offered is a compilation of important documents and would be prepared for the Board prior to submission.

Joe Healy stated that the Technical Work Group was aiming for March 15, 2023 as their due date for their document compilation. Paul Hinterlong said that the Financing Work Group does not have a designated due date prior to their next meeting on March 9, 2023.

Africa asked if any extension could be possible under the current law. Gary Bingenheimer clarified that an extension is not possible due to the statute.

Brad Frost requested that Briana Parker and Paul Hinterlong email Jeff Guy with information after the next Financing Work Group meeting. Africa and Joseph Healy also requested that the Technical Work Group share their compilation to the Board.

Brian Cox mentioned the broken Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) links on the Illinois EPA Lead Service Line Replacement Act Board webpage and mentioned that IDPH is aware of the issue and working to fix it.

Gary Bingenheimer addressed an email from Tom Somers that discussed a fluctuating cost on lead service line replacements. Gary Bingenheimer said the cost tends to be anywhere from \$5,000 to \$15,000 and it is difficult to give an average price.

The next Board meeting is on April 19, 2023, at 1:00 p.m.

There were no comments from the public.

Brad Frost made a motion to adjourn. This motion was seconded by Paul Hinterlong, and the Board meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:45 p.m.

The meeting recording and other pertinent documents are available on the Illinois EPA <u>Lead Service Line</u> Replacement Act Advisory Board webpage.