

## Lead Service Line Replacement Advisory Board Meeting Minutes – June 29, 2023

### Webex Webinar or In-person at Illinois EPA Headquarters

The Lead Service Line Replacement Advisory Board (Board) was called to order at approximately 10:00 a.m. Jeff Guy took a roll call of Board members present:

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 (present); Anna-Lisa Castle, Policy Director, Clean Water & Equity, Alliance for the Great Lakes (present); Andrea Cheng, Commissioner, City of Chicago (present); Dave Clark, Acting Public Works Director, City of Champaign (present); Brad Cole, Executive Director, Illinois Municipal League (present); 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 (present); Brent O’Neill, Director of Engineering, Illinois American Water (absent); Rick Powers, Director of Public Works, City of Peoria (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 (present); Iyana Simba, Illinois Environmental Council (present); Tom Somers, Director of Public Works, City of Herrin (absent); Allison Swisher, Department of Public Utilities, City of Joliet (absent); Ann Taylor, Mayor, City of Waukegan (absent); Mike Pubentz, Interim Water Director, City of Elgin (absent); and Justin Williams, Metropolitan Planning Council (present). Illinois EPA staff attending: Jeff Guy, Office of Community Relations; Brad Frost, Office of Community Relations; Gary Bingenheimer, Bureau of Water; Michael Brown, Bureau of Water; Nidhan Singh, Bureau of Water

Brad Cole made a motion to approve the draft meeting minutes from the previous Board meeting on May 31, 2023. This motion was seconded by Kyle Saunders, and the draft meeting minutes were adopted by a unanimous vote. Kyle Saunders stated that he was comfortable with the technical-related portions of the report, and Joe Healy agreed. Joe Healy referenced Allison Swisher’s recent edits related to fixtures and agreed that a footnote regarding the IDPH waiver (Page 6 of draft report) could be added. Brad Cole asked for clarification, and Kyle Saunders suggested the addition of “other fixtures”, agreed with the addition of the aforementioned footnote, and offered to make the edits. A brief discussion followed between Brad Cole, Kyle Saunders, and Brian Cox, and it was agreed upon that a link to the waiver on IDPH’s website would be inserted. Kyle Saunders shared the link in the chat during the meeting.

Brad Cole asked if there were additional edits. Andrea Cheng stated that the rest of the suggested edits by Allison Swisher are smaller language edits or typos. Africa questioned the edit Page 8 of the report, and Kyle Saunders provided clarification. Africa stated that motions are needed for how the edits are approved. Brad Cole stated that there are three edits on Page 15 and asked for clarification (if changes were needed). A brief discussion followed, and it was determined that there are no edits needed on Page 15. Brad Cole suggested that a single motion be made during the end of the meeting approving the amended draft report. Africa agreed. Brad Cole stated that Darrell King’s name would be added to the report. Brad Cole acknowledged that he received the aforementioned link from Brian Cox, who stated that the word ‘waiver’ should be changed to ‘variance’. It was agreed upon that the link would be added, and ‘waiver’ would be changed to ‘variance’. Paul Hinterlong asked for clarification regarding his previous edits regarding a bullet point related to licensed plumbers (Page 14). Kyle Saunders stated the language is included on Page 7. Regarding licensed plumbers, Joe Healy stated that a laborer can also be on the job or have a role to play on the job. Brian Cox agreed as long as the individual is not performing plumbing. Kyle Saunders asked about any additional edits including the financial section of the report. Justin Williams stated that with the exception of the need to add Darrell King’s name, there are no additional edits.

Kyle Saunders made a motion to approve the draft report as final. Brad Cole added ‘as amended today’. Paul Hinterlong made a second motion to approve the draft report as amended today. There were no objections, and the draft report was finalized with the modifications discussed during the meeting. Brad Cole added that the draft minutes for today’s meeting would be added to the final report. Jeff Guy stated that the draft minutes would be created in a timely manner for insertion in the report. Regarding distribution of the final report, Brad Frost stated that the Illinois EPA will handle transmitting the report to the General Assembly’s website. Brad Frost stated that the Board members are free to distribute the report to whomever else and that the final report is considered a public document. Brad Cole mentioned the distribution of hard copies to Board members. A brief discussion followed, and it was determined that Brad Cole would distribute hard copies to members of the Board who provided their mailing address to him. Brad Cole said he would distribute electronic copies to municipalities, members, etc.

Brad Frost stated that future Board meetings will occur twice a year in January and July, and that the information will be posted on the LSLR webpage to meet Open Meetings Act requirements. There were no public comments, and the meeting was adjourned at 10:38 a.m. The meeting recording and other pertinent documents are available on the Illinois EPA [Lead Service Line Replacement Act Advisory Board webpage](#).