Lead Service Line Replacement Advisory Board Meeting Minutes April 29, 2022

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The first meeting of the Lead Service Line Replacement Advisory Board (Board) was called to order at approximately 1:00 p.m. on April 29, 2022 with the following Board members in attendance:

Africa, Associate Director, IDOR

Jason Bauer, Assistant City Engineer, City of Aurora

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

Andrea Cheng, Commissioner, Chicago Department of Water

Dave Clark, Acting Public Works Director, City of Champaign

Brad Cole, Executive Director, Illinois Municipal League

Brian Cox, Plumbing and Water Quality Program Manager, IDPH (In-person)

Anthena Gore, Water Programs Strategist, Elevate

Paul Hinterlong, Councilman, City of Naperville (In-person)

Todd LaFountain, CWLP Water Division Manager, City of Springfield

Brent O'Neill, Director of Engineering, Illinois American Water

Rick Powers, Director of Public Works, City of Peoria

Brian Rader, Public Works Superintendent, Village of Caseyville

Jones Richmond, Business Representative, Plumbers Local 130 (In-person)

Brenda Santoyo, Senior Policy Analyst, LVEJO

Kyle Saunders, Public Works Director, City of Rockford

Iyana Simba, City Programs Director, Illinois Environmental Council

Sanjay Sofat, Chief, Bureau of Water, IEPA (In-person)

Tom Somers, Director of Public Works, City of Herrin

Dave Stoneback, Director of Public Works, City of Evanston (Proxy)

Jesus Alquicira, City Engineer, City of Waukegan (Proxy)

Eric Weiss, Water Director, City of Elgin

Justin Williams, Policy Manager, Metropolitan Planning Council

Others attending (In-person):

John Kim, Director, IEPA
Gary Bingenheimer, Bureau of Water, IEPA
Brad Frost, Office of Community Relations, IEPA
Jeff Guy, Office of Community Relations, IEPA

Illinois EPA Director John Kim welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Gary Bingenheimer called the role and introduced Board members and invited them to say a few words, if desired.

Sanjay Sofat gave an overview of Board responsibilities, pursuant to Subsection (y) of the LSLRAct. He also highlighted Subsection (z) which charges the Board to deliver a report of its recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly.

Mr. Sofat then made a presentation with slides regarding the lead service line inventories and the LSLRAct implementation. This was followed by questions and a discussion by Board members, which mostly centered around the draft rules that are being discussed internally at this time.

Mr. Bingenheimer made a presentation with slides on the funding options for LSL replacement. Discussion by the Board followed.

The next meeting dates were communicated: July 27, 2022, and November 16, 2022.

Board members were thanked for their participation. Further comments and documents are to be sent to Jeff Guy for compilation and possible posting to the LSLR website at https://www2.illinois.gov/epa/topics/drinking-water/public-water-users/Pages/Lead-Service-Line-Replacement-Advisory-Board.aspx

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:00 p.m.