Water Fluoridation Quality Award

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than 75 years of experience and research to show that water fluoridation is safe and effective for promoting good oral The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)'s support for community water fluoridation is based on more health. CDC commends this water system for providing high-quality water fluoridation for 12 consecutive months in 2022 representing a high level of operator care and accomplishment.

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Hartford Mr. Daniel Staunton DPW Superintendent 19 West Main Stret Hartford, MI 49057

Dear Mr. Staunton:

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, Oral Health Program would like to congratulate your water system for achieving the CDC's Optimal Fluoridation Award for 2022. This is a great honor for your city and for our state. This award recognizes those public water systems that adjust the fluoride concentration in drinking water and achieve a monthly average fluoride level that is in the optimal range for 11- 12 consecutive months in a year, as documented in the Water Fluoridation Reporting System (WFRS).

WFRS is a national health surveillance tool that assists states in managing their water fluoridation program. Over the past four years, 36 states have had at least one public water system in their state receive the award. In calendar year 2022, there were 1,209 adjusted systems in 27 states recognized by CDC. 75 public water systems were awarded here in Michigan.

Water utilities and their customers value the ability to demonstrate quality service. There are several award programs related to drinking water, including those conducted by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the American Water Works Association, and state drinking water programs. CDC's Quality Awards can be a good opportunity to promote community water fluoridation. We hope you display your awards proudly!

Once again, congratulations on this outstanding award and for your continuing commitment to public health of all Michigan residents.

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