UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

In re Flint Water Cases.

Judith E. Levy United States District Judge

ORDER REGARDING ISSUES DISCUSSED AT THE NOVEMBER 15, 2017 STATUS CONFERENCE

The Court held a status conference regarding pending Flint water litigation on November 15, 2017. Pursuant to the discussion held at that conference, the Court orders as follows:

The Court hereby adopts the defendants' joint proposal regarding the appointment of an executive committee for defendants. (Case No. 16-cv-10444, Dkt. 241.)

Defendants, interim co-lead class counsel, and individual liaison co-counsel will file a joint report as to the Electronically Stored Information protocol, evidence preservation order to the parties, protective/confidentiality order, and fact sheet issues on **December 7**, **2017**. Those groups will also file briefs discussing any disputes or issues related to a preservation order or subpoenas to be sent to nonparties on **December 7, 2017**. These filings are to be made on Case No. 16-cv-10444.

The MDEQ defendants are to provide their insurance disclosures to interim co-lead class counsel and individual liaison counsel on or before **December 7, 2017**.

Parties may file supplemental briefing in reply to the briefing on Fifth Amendment issues on **December 7, 2017** in Case No. 16-cv-10444.

The Court grants the motion for leave to file a master amended complaint filed in Case No. 17-10164 at Dkt. 82, for the reasons set forth on the record. Individual liaison co-counsel are required to file the operative master complaint and short-form complaint under that docket number on or before **December 15, 2017**. The master complaint will apply to all currently pending and future non-class action Flint water cases filed in this district. Individual liaison co-counsel will also file a proposed timeframe for amending or refiling all currently pending individual litigation with short-form complaints.

The Court will hold its next status conference on January 4, 2018 at 2:00 P.M. Parties are to submit proposed agenda items by

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December 22, 2017 on Case No. 16-cv-10444. The Court will hold an in-chambers conference with interim co-lead class counsel, individual liaison counsel, and defendants' executive committee or their designees

on January 4, 2018 at 1:00 P.M.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: November 17, 2017 Ann Arbor, Michigan <u>s/Judith E. Levy</u> JUDITH E. LEVY United States District Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that the foregoing document was served upon counsel of record and any unrepresented parties via the Court's ECF System to their respective email or First Class U.S. mail addresses disclosed on the Notice of Electronic Filing on November 17, 2017.

> <u>s/Shawna Burns</u> SHAWNA BURNS Case Manager