# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

In re FLINT WATER CASES	) Case No. 5:17-cv-10444-JEL- ) MKM
Assistab Macha et al	
Aasiyah Meeks, et al.	)
Plaintiffs	) Case No. 5:17-cv-11165-JEL- ) MKM
vs.	)
Governor Richard Snyder et al.,	) )
Defendants	)
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# VEOLIA WATER NORTH AMERICA OPERATING SERVICES, LLC'S SHORT FORM ANSWER TO PLAINTIFFS' MASTER SHORT FORM COMPLAINT, AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES, AND RELIANCE UPON JURY DEMAND

NOW COMES the defendant, Veolia Water North America Operating Services, LLC ("VWNAOS LLC"), by and through their attorneys, hereby provides this Answer to the Amended Short Form Complaint [Dkt. 47] filed by Plaintiffs in this matter on February 22, 2018 and, pursuant to this Court's orders, states as follows:

- 1. By way of this Short Form Answer, VWNAOS LLC does not waive, and expressly reserves, any challenges they may have to the Court's personal jurisdiction or venue.
- 2. VWNAOS LLC incorporates all responses, affirmative defenses, and jury demand set forth in VWNAOS LLC's Answer to the Plaintiffs' Amended Master Long-Form Complaint and Jury Demand [Dkt. 258] filed in *LeeAnn Waters et al.*, vs. *Snyder et al.*, Case No. 5:17-cv-10164, on or about September 10, 2019, as if the same were set forth at length herein, and prays that Plaintiffs be denied all relief requested.
- 3. To the extent any specific response is required to the Short Form Complaint, VWNAOS LLC does not have enough knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in ¶1-14, and therefore those and any remaining allegations are denied.
- 4. VWNAOS LLC further reserves the right to advance any additional defenses not otherwise set forth, as may be appropriate to this case.

WHEREFORE, VWNAOS LLC prays for relief as set forth in their Answer to Plaintiffs' Amended Master Long Form Complaint.

DATED: October 3, 2019

## Respectfully submitted,

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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Alaina N. Devine, one of the counsel of record for the defendants Veolia Water North America Operating Services, LLC, Veolia North America, LLC, and Veolia North America, Inc., certify that on October 3, 2019, I caused the within answer to be filed electronically with the Clerk of Courts through the Court's ECF filing system which will cause it to be served automatically by electronic means to counsel of record for all parties.

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