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Mayor Lewis Towers  
Board of Trustees  
Village Residents

Re: Status of Village Water System

Please be advised that a number of unauthorized and unofficial public notices, flyers and letters have been distributed within the Village over the past two to three months. The attached is an example of this type of false public notification and should not be considered an announcement from your Village corporate authorities. Residents should only follow notices published on official Village letterhead, the Village website or the Village Sauk Talk.

All residents are advised that the Village's water system is safe and that the vinyl chloride contamination has been removed by the installation of the air strippers. The air strippers have been installed and are working properly. All test results show that vinyl chloride has been removed from the Village's water system. Therefore, the Village water supply is safe for consumption pursuant to federal and state EPA guidelines.

Just today the IEPA responded to the attached unauthorized public notice by issuing the following statement:

**"TO RESIDENTS OF SAUK VILLAGE:** It has come to our attention that a notice was circulated on Sept. 10, asserting "Water Trouble Again" in Sauk Village. The Illinois EPA wants citizens to know that **the Sauk Village water supply remains safe to drink.** Temporary treatment continues to remove the contamination, and the Agency tests it frequently to ensure that the public water supply continues to be safe."

This statement has been published on the Illinois EPA's website at <http://www.epa.state.il.us/>.

Additionally, the Attorney General has expressed her concern about miscommunication pertaining to the Village water system. The Attorney General has directed all communication regarding the Village's water supply to go through our office. Therefore, if you should have any questions regarding the quality of the Village water supply, please contact our office and request to speak with a Sauk Village attorney.

Sincerely,



Mike McGrath

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

### **Water Trouble Again!**

**It is important that you come out to the next Sauk Village Council Meeting to learn about how our water is in trouble again!**

On July 16, 2012, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) notified Sauk residents confirming contamination in the Sauk Village public drinking water supply. Since that time Mayor Lewis Towers and Village Manager Henrietta Turner have been working with the Illinois Attorney General, Illinois Department of Health, EPA, and the court to make our water clean.

**Some of your elected officials have stopped this progress, and the drinking water is in trouble again! They are against the law that we passed demanding fresh Lake Michigan water!**

It is important that you come to the next Village Board Meeting to learn more:

**WHEN:** Tuesday, September 11, 2012

**WHERE:** Sauk Village Municipal Center  
21801 Torrence Avenue  
Sauk Village, IL 60411

**TIME:** 7:00PM

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