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Subject: Fwd: Flint Water Clips Dec. 30, 2015

I think we need to reach out to TRMS to correct the repeated references to a "EPA whistleblower/rogue employee" that appear in this segment and previous segments. Our review of EPA actions in Flint show that the so-called whistleblower/rogue employee was acting under the direction of and with the support of EPA management when he tested water at three residences in Flint and prepared a report summarizing his findings. I personally objected to MDEQ management and the Governor's office when they called this R5 staffer a "rogue employee." This misrepresentation is especially problematic in the wake of the House Oversight hearing last summer, which focused on alleged whistleblowers in R5. I don't know if we need to ask for a formal correction, but we should at least ask TRMS to avoid this inaccurate characterization in future segments.

I am happy to talk about this if you would like us to set up a call.

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Congressman Kildee was on the Rachel Maddow show last night. The clip is available at: on.msnbc.com/1krBTbv. Sorry that this wasn't in the rest of the clips.