Good morning,

I want to send out this latest update as we understand it. The message we are hearing from Queen's Park is this program will remain in place.

Thank you and if you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Regards, Julie

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>>> Julie Welker 2024-04-22 11:53 AM >>> Good morning,

In the 2023 Auditor General's Value-For-Money Audit of Public Health Ontario, recommendation number 5 states that PHO are to update and implement a laboratory modernization plan within 12 months to streamline the laboratory's operations.

As part of this, it proposes to remove PHO's free private drinking water testing. This is a concern of the Thames-Sydenham Source Protection Committee. Attached you'll find a letter that has been sent to the applicable ministries in response.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Warmest Regards,

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