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Notice Given To Port Angeles That Fluoridation Is Unlawful

Detailed notice was given today to the Port Angeles City Council and other responsible persons, that the fluoridation chemicals (fluosilicic acid (FSA)) and their contaminants presently being added to municipal water are believed to not meet a State required standard known as ANSI/NSF Standard 60.

Protect the Peninsula's Future states in its Notice to the City that an expert witness from the National Sanitation Foundation (NSF) has disclosed under oath that the FSA certification applications submitted to NSF do not include toxicity information on FSA and its contaminants as is required for compliance with Standard 60.

Protect the Peninsula's Future states that it understands that the City Council might not know if the City is putting improperly certified fluoridation chemicals into the City's drinking water. The Notice requests that the City immediately investigate and unless documents can be produced within two weeks showing that the FSA being added complies with the requirements of Section 3.2.1 of Standard 60 that the use of FSA be suspended until compliance can be documented.

The Notice also points out that both decision makers and the general public have been misled by testimonials, organizational "position papers" and advertisements which make unsubstantiated claims that FSA is safe and effective. The Notice points out that many letters have been sent to manufacturers of FSA and, to date, no such manufacturer will state that their specific product is safe and effective at fulfilling fluoridation's legislative intent. Furthermore Protect the Peninsula's Future states that it is unable to find any chronic toxicological studies of FSA. A major review published by the National Research Council in March, 2006 calls for numerous safety studies and presents evidence that municipal water at recommended fluoride concentrations provides overdoses to infants when it is used to dilute formula. This report states that overdoses also occur when kidney function is poor and when water intake is high for any reason. It states that fluoride is known to depress brain, thyroid, and immune functions, and increase blood sugar in diabetics.

Liability for injury to citizens from fluoridation is specifically disavowed by the City's supplier of FSA. Liability for injury to citizens from fluoridation is also placed squarely on the City by the Washington State Dental Foundation (WSDF) in its Agreement with the City mandating fluoridation. PPF believes Section 8.9 of the WSDF Agreement allows the City to stop fluoridation without any financial penalty if the City is unable to meet the terms of the Agreement because it is unable to find FSA that meets Standard 60.

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