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KALAMAZOO RIVER - HEALTH ADVISORY CANCELLED

1415 N. Harrison – Kalamazoo Water Reclamation Plant

August 18, 2016, Kalamazoo, Michigan – The City of Kalamazoo Department of Public Services in cooperation with the Kalamazoo County Health and Community Services Department has cancelled the health advisory for the section of the Kalamazoo River between Paterson Street Bridge and the D Avenue Bridge. The health advisory warning was cancelled as of 12:30 pm on August 18, 2016.

The Department of Public Services Wastewater Division staff sampled the Kalamazoo River to better assess the impact of the sanitary sewer overflow on August 16, 2016 from the Kalamazoo Water Reclamation Plant. The results of the monitoring were submitted to the Kalamazoo County Health and Community Services Department which approved the cancellation of the health advisory.

At this time, all surface water activities including swimming, wading, fishing, canoeing, and kayaking may resume.

Please call the Department of Public Services at (269) 337-8768 with questions related to the release.

As required by law, Water Reclamation Plant personnel notified the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality at the Kalamazoo District Office and the Kalamazoo County Environmental Health and Community Services of the spill.

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