

Web Addresses for Petitions to Auditor General of Canada

8 petitions have been filed to provincial and federal government agencies regarding artificial water fluoridation.

7 petitions have been presented to the **Office of the Auditor General of Canada** under the **Auditor General Act, section 22**. A petitions catalogue is available and searchable by the petition number, by the issue or by the federal institution: http://www.oag-bvg.gc.ca/internet/English/pet_lp_e_938.html

1 petition has been presented to the **Environmental Commissioner of Ontario** via the **Ontario Environmental Bill of Rights, section 61, EBR# 07EBR014.R**. This petition was an **Application for Review** which was accepted by the Ministry of the Environment February 8, 2008. The review is on-going and now involves various government departments including the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Natural Resources. Contact caclinch@gmail.com for more information or for a copy.

These environmental petitions are comprehensive literature reviews of the issues regarding artificial water fluoridation. These petitions demonstrate how fluoridation chemicals impact the health of flora, fauna and humans. These petitions argue that the addition of CEPA-designated toxic substances to drinking water is not environmentally sustainable.

Petitions to the Auditor General of Canada

ENGLISH

http://www.oag-bvg.gc.ca/internet/English/pet_lp_e_938.html

FRENCH

http://www.oag-bvg.gc.ca/internet/Francais/pet_lp_f_938.html

No. 221

Health and environmental concerns regarding the fluoridation of drinking water
Petition 221: http://www.oag-bvg.gc.ca/internet/English/pet_221_e_30308.html
by Carole Clinch BA, BPHE, Research Coordinator, People for Safe Drinking Water

No. 221B

Follow-up petition – Incomplete dissociation and reassociation of Fluorosilicates
Petition 221B: http://www.oag-bvg.gc.ca/internet/English/pet_221B_e_31256.html
by Carole Clinch

No. 221C

Follow-up petition – Dental Fluorosis and Artificial Water Fluoridation

Petition 221C: http://www.oag-bvg.gc.ca/internet/English/pet_221C_e_30942.html
by Carole Clinch

No. 221D

Follow-up petition - Comparison of Trace Metals

Petition 221D: http://www.oag-bvg.gc.ca/internet/English/pet_221D_e_31257.html
by Carole Clinch

No. 221E

Follow-up petition on health and environmental concerns regarding fluoridation of drinking water

Petition 221E: http://www.oag-bvg.gc.ca/internet/English/pet_221E_e_33561.html
by Carole Clinch

No. 243

Fluorides in drinking water are unregulated drugs

Petition 243: http://www.oag-bvg.gc.ca/internet/English/pet_243_e_30927.html
by Rob Button BScPharm

No. 244

Harm to susceptible populations of aquatic life and humans due to the addition of fluoride (fluorosilicates) in drinking water

Petition 244: http://www.oag-bvg.gc.ca/internet/English/pet_244_e_30930.html
by Dr. James Beck M.D., PhD

No. 245

Impact of fluorosilicate compounds on lead levels in drinking water and on water distribution infrastructure

Petition 245: http://www.oag-bvg.gc.ca/internet/English/pet_245_e_30941.html

by Peter Van Caulart Dip. A.Ed., CES, CEI, Director of the Environmental Training Institute

No. 299

The regulation and approval of fluoridation products added to drinking water

Petition 299: http://www.oag-bvg.gc.ca/internet/English/pet_299_e_34270.html

by Dr. Pierre Jean Morin PhD, and Gilles Parent N.D.

Petition: No. 221

Issue(s): Environmental assessment, fisheries, human health/environmental health, toxic substances, and water

Petitioner(s): Carole Clinch

Date Received: 19 November 2007

Summary: The petitioner seeks responses from several departments on the addition to our drinking water of fluoride (hydrofluorosilicic acid), which she alleges contains arsenic, lead, and other toxic substances. She asks departments to provide toxicology studies demonstrating the safety of the chemical compound currently used to fluoridate drinking water. She also asks departments to warn those involved in the fisheries industry of the effects of water fluoridation on our ecosystem. The petitioner further asks what departments plan to do to protect children and other groups at risk (for example, diabetics) from fluoride in water and food.

Federal Departments Responsible for Reply: Environment Canada, Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Health Canada, Indian and Northern Affairs Canada, Natural Resources Canada

Petition: No. 221B

Issue(s): Environmental assessment, fisheries, human health/environmental health, toxic substances, and water

Petitioner(s): Carole Clinch

Date Received: 7 April 2008

Summary: In this follow-up petition, the petitioner asks for more responses from several departments about the addition of fluoride (hydrofluorosilicic acid) to our drinking water, which she alleges is causing harm to humans, aquatic life, flora, and the environment. Among other things, the petitioner asks for toxicology reports and studies that demonstrate that the products currently used to add fluoride to drinking water are safe. The petitioner also asks about the potential impact of fluoride on western salmon stocks.

Federal Departments Responsible for Reply: Environment Canada, Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Health Canada, Public Health Agency of Canada

Petition: No. 221C

Issue(s): Human health/environmental health, toxic substances, and water

Petitioner(s): Carole Clinch

Date Received: 14 April 2008

Summary: In this follow-up petition, the petitioner seeks further responses from Health Canada regarding the environmental health impacts of adding fluorosilicates to our drinking water, particularly as it relates to dental fluorosis. The petitioner alleges that water fluoridation is the main source of fluoride exposure and therefore serves as a major cause of dental fluorosis. The petitioner raises questions concerning the perceived social harm, financial burdens, and dental harm caused to Canadians by dental fluorosis.

Federal Departments Responsible for Reply: Health Canada, Public Health Agency of Canada

Petition: No. 221D

Issue(s): Environmental assessment, fisheries, human health/environmental health, toxic

substances, and water

Petitioner(s): Carole Clinch

Date Received: 14 April 2008

Summary: In this follow-up petition, the petitioner seeks further responses from several departments regarding the toxic effects of fluoride added to drinking water. The petitioner alleges that fluoride has been treated differently for risk assessment than other trace elements with similar long-lasting toxic effects. The petitioner asks that the recommended levels for fluoride intake be reduced and that the addition of fluoridation chemicals (hydrofluorosilicic acid and derivatives) to drinking water be discontinued.

Federal Departments Responsible for Reply: Environment Canada, Health Canada, Public Health Agency of Canada

Petition: No. 221E

Issue(s): Human/environmental health, toxic substances, and water

Petitioner: Carole Clinch

Date Received: 25 November 2009

Summary: In this follow-up petition, the petitioner is concerned about the suitability of Health Canada's review of studies in support of its "weight of evidence" assessment regarding artificial water fluoridation. The petitioner is also concerned about claims without citation in the Canadian Drinking Water Secretariat's recent review on water fluoridation, and questions the impartiality of the review panel. In addition, the petitioner requests that Health Canada formally correct an error in a previous petition response.

Petition: No. 243

Issue(s): Human health/environmental health, toxic substances, and water

Petitioner(s): Robert Button

Date Received: 17 April 2008

Summary: The petitioner seeks responses from the government on the addition of fluoride (fluorosilicates) to the water supply, which the petitioner alleges is a drug and is dispensed as a drug, but has never been approved as a drug. In addition, the petitioner claims that Canadian consumers cannot be reasonably expected to know the stated risks of fluoridated water. The petitioner raises questions concerning the government's definition, management, and regulation of fluoride.

Federal Departments Responsible for Reply: Health Canada, Public Health Agency of Canada

Petition: No. 244

Issue(s): Fisheries, human health/environmental health, toxic substances, and water

Petitioner(s): James S. Beck

Date Received: 18 April 2008

Summary: The petitioner seeks responses from the government on the addition of fluoride (fluorosilicates) in our drinking water, which he alleges causes adverse health effects on humans. The petitioner further claims that the addition of fluoride is also toxic and harmful to certain land species as well as to some species of fish. The petitioner raises several questions on the safe dosage and concentration levels of fluoride.

Federal Departments Responsible for Reply: Health Canada, Public Health Agency of Canada

Petition: No. 245

Issue(s): Environmental assessment, fisheries, human health/environmental health, toxic substances, and water

Petitioner(s): Environmental Training Institute

Date Received: 2 May 2008

Summary: The petitioner seeks responses from several departments on potential health concerns related to increased levels of lead in drinking water due to fluoridation. In addition, the petitioner alleges that fluorosilicates have a detrimental effect on water distribution infrastructure and asks whether the government has carried out related cost assessments.

Federal Departments Responsible for Reply: Environment Canada, Department of Finance Canada, Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Health Canada, Public Health Agency of Canada, Public Works and Government Services Canada, Treasury Board of Canada Secretariat

Petition: No. 299

Issue(s): Compliance and enforcement, human/environmental health, and water

Petitioner(s): Pierre Jean Morin and Gilles Parent

Date Received: 19 May 2010

Status: Reply (replies) received but not yet posted

Summary: The petitioners are concerned about the addition to drinking water of fluoridation products that they claim are not regulated or approved as drugs or natural products under federal law. They ask Health Canada to explain how it ensures that these products conform with federal food and drug standards. They also ask the Department to explain what the petitioners believe are contradictory statements about fluoridation products added to drinking water. In addition, they ask Health Canada and Justice Canada to provide examples of other anthropic chemicals with claimed health benefits that have been added to drinking water without regulatory approval or informed consent.

Federal Departments Responsible for Reply: Health Canada, Justice Canada