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I AM CURRENTLY READING Mona Hannah-Attisha book, "What the eyes don't see."

She recounts that her childhood friend Elin was working for the EPA during the 3 year period of lead exposure to people of all backgrounds who were drinking in water in Washington D.C., our capital. When Elin raised this issue, she was transferred to another section within the EPA; contractors who broached the issue of lead did not get their contracts renewed. Elin said that the clean water act was amended to require chloramine to be used instead of chlorine because it resulted in FEWER carcinogenic chlorine compounds. Washington D.C. water dept. didn't do proper testing before they changed their treatment, which should be standard practice.

How does GLWA test even their current unchanged practices when they sampling techniques are grab samples instead of fixed stations with regular timed samples.

At the recent sewage discharge permit hearing, Saulius Simoliunas has asked for the improvement of your testing procedures; in Michigan State's Master Gardening class, I learned that Michigan is the only state in the union that has no law regulating sewage discharge.

Are you testing the intake drinking water at Water Works Park etc. as well as the sewage discharge for lead and unhealthy chemicals?

Could some of the money you're wasting been spent on activated carbon filtration, ozonation, and ultra violet and other non-toxic treatments instead.

We're deeper into debt for WHAT? Are you trying to sell out to the bond holders?

1 ½ billion and now another 160 some million. What's the real difference between GLWA and DWSD except new exorbitant drainage fees for Detroiters who are paying 83% of the multi-billion CSOs that during rains, overflow sewage into the Detroit River onto those below; the citizens are paying for what their government representatives didn't do: separate the storm water from the sewage. Any information you are willing to share with me about the lead and

other testing, would be greatly appreciated. Is it lead from pipes, from paint from demolished houses, from lead in the soil from gasoline?

If you don't look, you won't see.

Cindy Darrah