

Response to Request for Information

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Fluoridation of Public Water Supply

Request:

- 1. What is the fluoride compound which is added to the water supply (Severn Trent would not supply me with the information).
- 2. Is it naturally occurring compound?
- 3. What is the source of the compound, by that I mean, by what process is it obtained, is it mined, manufactured or is it a by-product of some other process?
- 4. What are the material handling rules for the handling and transport of the compound?
- 5. What are the health and safety regulations surrounding its use?
- 6. What is the safe daily dose per kg of body weight?
- 7. What is the rate of absorption through the skin?

In respect of your above questions, it has been established after careful consideration that the Council does not hold the above information as the City of Wolverhampton Council are just recharged for the operational aspects of the fluoridation scheme by Public Health England on behalf of the Secretary of State. Consequently, we are unable to provide any information relating to the above, and are informing you as required by Section 1(1) (a) of the Act, that states:

"Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request".

However, to try and assist you we have attached a link below which may be of help to you.

Drinking Water Inspectorate Code of Practice on Technical Aspects of Fluoridation of Water Supplies 2016 http://dwi.defra.gov.uk/stakeholders/information-letters/2016/01-2016-annexa.pdf

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