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Ms. Sue Peterson  
Administrator  
Safe Drinking Water Foundation  
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Dear Ms. Peterson:

Thank you for your recent letter outlining the on-reserve drinking water concerns of the Safe Drinking Water Foundation. As Alberta Minister of International, Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Relations, I am pleased to respond.

As you note, the Government of Canada, through Indian and Northern Affairs Canada, is responsible for all water treatment in First Nations communities. Despite this, my Ministry recognizes the need for all orders of government and Aboriginal communities to come together to help resolve these matters. Where appropriate, my Ministry facilitates discussions amongst interested parties about solutions on matters involving First Nations and Aboriginal communities in Alberta.

Thank you once again for this informative letter and I wish you and your organization well.

Best personal regards,

  
Guy Boutilier  
Minister