

JAY INSLEE  
Governor



STATE OF WASHINGTON  
Office of the Governor

January 7, 2016

Gerald Steel  
7303 Young Road NW  
Olympia, WA 98502

Dear Mr. Steel:

On December 30, 2015, the Governor's Office received the appeal you filed following the Washington State Board of Health's November 30, 2015, denial of your petition for rulemaking regarding fluoride.

Under RCW 34.05.330(3), the Governor may consider appeals from agency decisions involving petitions to repeal or amend rules. Here though, you appeal an agency decision on a petition for a rulemaking, not a rule repeal or amendment. Accordingly, Governor Inslee lacks the legal authority to review your appeal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Taylor K. Wanhoff".

Taylor K. Wanhoff  
Assistant Legal Counsel

