Hydrogen fluoride is the 6th highest volume toxic pollutant, by pound, in the United States. EPA regulations on hydrogen fluoride pollution require the phosphate fertilizer industry to trap their fluoride emissions with pollution scrubbing devices. This trapped fluosilicic acid is then sold to water municipalities as the nation's most widely used fluoridation chemical. It is a biologically hazardous industrial waste containing heavy metals, such as lead and arsenic, plus other toxins.

Newly published research at Dartmouth College has uncovered an unsuspected factor that increases vulnerability to environmental lead exposure. Analyzing a major survey of over 280,000 Massachusetts children, a team headed by Prof. Roger D. Masters has discovered water fluoridation apparently increases children's absorption of lead. Although the dangers of lead poisoning have been known for years, substantial numbers of children continue to suffer from blood lead above danger level of 10µg/dL. The problem is especially serious because lead poisoning is linked to higher rates of learning disabilities, hyperactivity, substance abuse and crime. (If we don't pay to drink this toxic waste, someone else must pay millions to dispose of it.)

NEWSWEEK & The Wall Street Journal recently cited links between FLUORIDE and CANCER! And contrary to "popular belief," there is NO PROOF that fluoride prevents cavities. The U.S. government recently ordered toothpaste manufacturers to stop claiming it does until they could prove it. None have bothered to try. (Note the POISON Warning on toothpaste labels now...)

Dr. Hirzy, EPA Toxicologist and Vice President of the EPA Scientists' Union, called for an immediate "moratorium on fluoridation" when he testified before the U.S. Senate on June 29, 2000, addressing the dangers of water fluoridation. Citing numerous studies, he said that when the relative toxicity levels of lead, fluoride, and arsenic are compared, fluoride is slightly less toxic than arsenic, but more toxic than lead. The federal maximum contaminant level (MEL) for arsenic is 5 parts per billion (ppb), and lead is 15 ppb, yet the maximum contaminant level for fluoride has been established by the EPA at 4000 ppb.

<u>Dr. Robert Carton, Ph.D. former Environmental Protection Agency Scientist (20 yrs), Food & Water Journal, Summer 1998</u> "The level of fluoride the government allows the public is based on scientifically fraudulent information and altered reports. People can be harmed simply by drinking water."

<u>Dr. William Marcus, Ph.D. Senior Toxicologist of E.P.A., Food & Water Journal, Summer 1998</u> "Fluoride is a carcinogen by any standard we use. I believe EPA should act immediately to protect the public, not just on the cancer data, but on the evidence of bone fractures, arthritis, mutagenicity, and other effects."

<u>Dr. Geoffrey Smith, Dental Surgeon, New Scientist, May 5, 1983</u> "Dental Fluorosis, no matter how slight, is an irreversible pathological condition recognized by authorities around the world as the first readily detectable clinical symptom of previous chronic fluoride poisoning. To suggest we should ignore such a sign is as irrational as saying that the blue-black line which appears on the gums due to chronic lead poisoning is of no significance because it doesn't cause any pain or discomfort."

<u>Dr. P. Mullenix, Ph.D., research scientist, 1997 letter to Calgary Councillors.</u> "As a toxicologist involved in fluoride research for over ten years, I was stunned by the Calgary Regional Health Authority's glib comments proclaiming water fluoridation safe. The 'fifty years' of studies about fluoride safety, do not exist. The "ongoing intensive research on fluorides and fluoridation', does not exist, certainly none investigating safety."

<u>Dr. A. Schatz, Ph.D., co-discoverer of the 1st effective treatment of tuberculosis – streptonycin – 1997 letter to Calgary Councillors</u> "Many individuals with impeccable credentials in science, dentistry, and medicine have published incontrovertible evidence that fluoridation is harmful and does not reduce the incidence of dental caries".

Li XS, Zhi JL, Gao RO, Effect of Fluoride Exposure on Intelligence in Children, Fluoride, 1995 Nov, 28:4, pp 189-192 (CHINA) The intelligence was measured of 907 children aged 8-13 years living in areas which differed in the amount of fluoride present in the environment. The Intelligence Quotient (IQ) of children living in areas with a medium or severe prevalence of fluorosis was lower than that of children living in areas with only a slight fluorosis or no fluorosis. The development of intelligence appeared to be adversely affected by fluoride in the areas with a medium or

intelligence appeared to be adversely affected by fluoride in the areas with a medium or severe prevalence of fluorosis but to a minor extent only in areas with only a slight prevalence of fluorosis. A high fluoride intake was associated with a lower intelligence. No correlation was found between age and intelligence in the areas with a medium and severe prevalence of fluorosis. The effect of exposure to a high level of fluoride on intelligence may occur at an early stage of development of the embryo and infant when the differentiation of brain nerve cells is occurring and development is most rapid.

In 1997, the city of Natick Massachusetts considered fluoridation of the town's water supply. To sort out conflicting claims, they commissioned a team of top scientists to analyze the data and make recommendations. The widely read analysis, known as the Natick Report, made 12 very specific recommendations, "emphatically" recommending the water supply "not be fluoridated." Their analysis also concluded a host of other medical problems may ensue from artificially fluoridating the water. (<u>THE NATICK REPORT: fluoridation.com/natick.htm</u>)

In February of 1999, Bremerton Washington citizens defeated fluoride. Citizens filed a lawsuit to stop fluoridation of Los Angeles water on March 23, 1999. Johnstown, New York banned fluoridation in November of 1999. In March 2000, Wilmington Massachusetts and Winfield, Kansas also reviewed the fluoridation issue and defeated it; Wilmington's Board of Health cited many critical concerns in a five page summary. The City of Auburndale, Florida was so concerned about the health of workers handling fluoridation chemicals that they stopped their fluoridation efforts. Mountain View, California rejected fluoride in 1985, and over 79 cities have rejected fluoride since 1996, including Santa Clara and Santa Cruz; a number of these towns were already fluoridated.

Statement by James B. Patrick, Ph.D. at the Joint Congressional Committee on Health and Appropriations Against the Inclusion of Fluoridation in the Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant, Held August 4, 1982. "A number of scholarly volumes and numerous technical articles have been written showing the biochemical and toxicological hazards of deliberately exposing the population to continuous dosages of such a potent chronic toxin as fluoride... Fluoride is an enzyme poison, in the same class as cyanide, oxalate, or azide, which means that it is capable of a very wide variety of harmful effects, even at low doses... Because of this well-known toxicity, the vast majority of civilized nations with advanced standards of public health have rejected fluoridation and in most cases prohibit it. Over 20 years ago the U.S. public health authorities who were pushing fluoridation admitted that raising the level of fluoride in the drinking water much above one part per million, or otherwise increasing the fluoride intake of the population, was hazardous. But since the introduction of fluoridation in the United States the average fluoride intake has risen sharply. Canned goods prepared with fluoridated water have elevated fluoride content because of concentration. ...most people are already receiving more fluoride than the public health guidelines permitted."

<u>Dr. Charles Gordon Heyd, Past President of the American Medical Association.</u> "I am appalled at the prospect of using water as a vehicle for drugs. Fluoride is a corrosive poison that will produce serious effects on a long range basis. Any attempt to use water this way is deplorable."

We must guard the freedom to make our own health care choices, and the right to refuse daily medication for ourselves and our children. That option is unavailable to many because fluoridation is expensive to remove and difficult to avoid. The current propaganda campaign in San Antonio is being funded by a \$250,000 grant from the Kronsky foundation, and seems to be supported by nearly all local media. <u>Fraudulent</u> claims of "facts" and "studies" supporting fluoridation remain unchallenged because any true investigation of proponents claims would only serve to illustrate fluoride's dangers and the growing recognition that fluoride does not provide the preventative benefits once believed. **VOTE: NO FLUORIDE! Defend Your Health & Freedom November 7th** 

<u>Dr. F. Exner</u> "A majority vote which violates ethical or moral principles or deprives individuals of rights they should be free to enjoy is not democracy but tyranny. It is a subversion of democracy that will bring democracy to an end in the degree that it is allowed to operate."

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