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BAILUS WALKER, Jr, Ph.D, M.P.H.
Commissioner

150 Tremont Street

Boston 02111

August 10, 1984

City of Cambridge
Water Department
250 Fresh Pond Parkway
Cambridge, MA 02140

Re: Fluoride Compound
Reimbursement Grant

Dear Sir/Madam:

The Department of Public Health is pleased to announce the award of \$6,763.31 as reimbursement for 39.216% of your cost for fluoride compound(s) for fiscal year 1983. The Massachusetts Legislature in 1983 appropriated a total of \$100,000 to the Department to reimburse cities, towns, boards, and water districts for purchase of fluoride compound(s).

The purpose of this appropriation is to award cities and towns that fluoridate with additional local aid and encourage new communities to fluoridate. Fluoridation has been shown to reduce expected tooth decay up to 60%, and for every dollar spent save the consumer up to \$50.00 in potential dental bills.

The Massachusetts Legislature has appropriated local aid grant monies to repeat this reimbursement program for fiscal year 1984. Grant applications will be mailed to you in the fall.

The state checks should be received no later than the end of August. Your check will be sent to: City of Cambridge, Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co., 1 Boston Place, Boston, MA 02108.

Please inform your treasurer of this program and the amount. Thank you for your interest in this very important public health prevention program.

Very truly yours,

Bailus Walker, Jr., Ph.D., M.P.H.
Commissioner

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cc: Board of Health
Mayor/Chairman Board of Selectmen
Legislators

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Comm. from Bailus Walker, Jr., Commissioner
of Human Services, Mass. Dept. of Public
Health Re: Flouride Compotund Reimbursement
Grants available to cities & towns that
flouridate their drinking water.

In City Council,

September 10, 1984

Referred to the

City Manager

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