



CLEAN WATER ACTION

MICHIGAN

To Whom It May Concern:

Since we have worked in your community before, you will remember that Clean Water Action is a national environmental organization working for clean and safe water, waste prevention and funding for enforcement of environmental protection. The purpose of this letter is to again provide background information on Clean Water Action and our canvass so that you are aware of our activities and have the information you need to respond to any inquiries about our work.

As in previous years, our program includes informing residents in your community of our work and asking them to become involved in our campaigns. We conduct a door-to-door canvass asking residents to make contributions and sign support statements. We may also ask them to write letters, make phone calls, volunteer time and vote.

We will be conducting our canvass in your community beginning in ASAP and completing our work by January 31, 2019 (depending on the size of the community). We will be out in the community from 4pm-9pm, Monday – Friday; 10am-7pm, Saturdays.

As a courtesy to all communities in which we canvass, we notify each township or city before starting work there. Our canvassers also carry photo identification cards from our organization. A list of the names of our canvass staff is provided with this letter as well as a letter from the IRS recognizing our tax-exempt status under section 501(c4) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Because Clean Water Action is engaged in constitutionally-protected political speech in its canvass operation, it is not required to obtain a permit prior to engaging in this activity. *Watchtower Bible & Tract Society of New York v. Village of Stratton*, 536 U.S. 150 (2002).

Please notify all police officers and dispatch of our presence so that they are aware of our constitutionally-protected right to engage in our membership drive. I have enclosed organizational documents and supporting materials of our state regulations. You will note that the last page of this packet of information is a verification form that states we have made you aware of our activities. Please sign and return the “Canvass Verification” form via email so that both the residents and law enforcement officers in your area will know that we have contacted your office should any questions arise. Should you need additional information, please call me at (734) 222-6347. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Emily Woodcock
Staff Director