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Dear Ms. Donohue and Mr. LaMacchia:

As we head into the winter season, one of the key functions of transportation agencies around the state is to keep roads free and clear of snow and ice. Earlier today, the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) received word that winter maintenance workers should be considered essential workers, giving them a higher priority to receive the COVID-19 vaccine when it becomes available.

In order to determine the overall need, MDOT is asking that your associations work with your members to determine the potential numbers of critical winter maintenance employees needing vaccines that we can submit to the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services for their planning and consideration. MDOT is approaching this from an operational standpoint by identifying Transportation Maintenance Workers, Transportation Maintenance Supervisors, Transportation Maintenance Coordinators, Mechanics and Electricians that are involved in winter operations.

Please work with your agencies to compile one list that can be submitted to MDOT. We will plan to submit the initial list by close of business on Wednesday, December 16, 2020. Attached, please find a sample spreadsheet that may be useful to expedite this request.

Thank you and stay safe!

Sincerely,

Gregg D. Brunner, P.E.  
Bureau of Field Services, Director

Attachment