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Paul Connett  
Executive Director  
Fluoride Action Network  
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Dear Mr. Connett,

On the week of November 7-11, some Web sites posted content attributed to the Fluoride Action Network (FAN) that falsely describes Pew's activities with regard to the issue of community water fluoridation. This content stated that

“... the Pew Charitable Trust [is] providing millions of dollars in grants for fluoride equipment and chemicals to municipalities each year to entice them to initiate and continue the practice of fluoridation.”

Pew has *not* provided any grants for the purchase of fluoride equipment or the fluoride compound that is used for water fluoridation. There is no information on Pew's Web site or any of our printed materials that would indicate that Pew has played such a role.

We request that you cease sending or posting this false statement about Pew, and we also request that you ask any Web sites to which you sent this statement to remove this content.

Sincerely,

Shelly Gehshan, Director  
The Pew Children's Dental Campaign