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SUBJECT: PFAS Drinking Water Samples – 2022 Wisconsin PFAS Sampling Program

Dear Water System Owner/Operator:

Environmentally persistent synthetic chemicals known as Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) are chemicals with production and use since at least the 1950s. Due to the identified environmental and human health concerns for PFAS, the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) will fund and support local communities with a voluntary statewide PFAS drinking water sampling program for municipal public water systems. The PFAS sampling program will begin in Spring 2022.

The purpose of PFAS drinking water sampling is to assist municipal public water systems and their local communities that are interested in learning whether their municipal water supply is impacted by PFAS. The sampling can provide information for protection of public health, welfare, and the environment. Certain PFAS substances have identified public health concerns. PFAS samples will be analyzed at the Wisconsin State Lab of Hygiene (WSLH) at no cost to your public water system.

Additional information regarding the PFAS sampling program is available on our DNR website at <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/PFAS/PWSampling>. The PFAS sampling program is expected to begin in Spring 2022. Please contact us at DNRDGPFASSampling@wisconsin.gov if you would like to sign up to participate in the program or if you have any questions. All interested water systems will be invited to a virtual information session where staff from DNR, WSLH, and Department of Health Services will provide details of the program.

Thank you for your interest in the PFAS drinking water sampling program and your efforts to provide safe drinking water to your customers.

Sincerely,

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