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Good Afternoon,

We are providing you with a status update regarding the Navy's investigations of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), which includes perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS), at and near the NSA Cutler Fire Station.

PFAS Investigation at NSA Cutler Fire Station. Additional PFAS environmental investigation fieldwork at Installation Restoration (IR) Site 10 (NSA Cutler Fire Station) began Sept. 12, 2022 and will continue into November 2022. If you have questions or concerns regarding this PFAS investigation, please send an email to Navy Project Manager Paul Young at paul.r.young71.civ@us.navy.mil.

PFAS Investigation near NSA Cutler Fire Station. The off-base drinking water investigation sampling results to date are summarized and posted on the NSA Cutler Environmental Restoration website (<https://www.navfac.navy.mil/Business-Lines/Environmental/Products-and-Services/Environmental-Restoration/Mid-Atlantic/Cutler-NCTAMS/PFAS-Sampling/>). One additional off-base drinking water sample was collected in September 2022. The Navy will update the website once the sampling results have been validated.

The Navy continues to collect point of entry treatment (POET) performance monitoring samples at the 19 Navy-installed systems near the NSA Cutler Fire Station and validated results continue to be provided to each property owner via email or mail. The following provides a summary of the current sampling efforts:

- **POET System Performance Monitoring.** The Navy is conducting quarterly sampling of the 14 POET systems installed in April 2021 and now in their second year of operation. The first quarter (June 2022) POET performance sampling results indicate the systems are working properly. The second quarter POET performance sampling was completed in September 2022 (results pending). The next quarterly sampling event is scheduled for December 2022. POET performance monitoring for the five new POET systems installed between January – July 2022 is ongoing and still within the first year of operation.

The Navy and Maine Department of Environmental Protection (MEDEP) evaluated the performance sampling results collected to date for two POET systems installed in January 2022 and agree that the results for these two POET systems indicate the systems are reliably providing treated water below the 2016 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency lifetime health advisory level for PFOA and PFOS. In September 2022, the Navy verbally notified the residents associated with these two POET system locations that they may begin using the treated water for drinking and cooking. In addition, on Sept. 29, 2022, the Navy sent each of those residents written notification that the treated water may now be used for drinking and cooking. Bottled water delivery was discontinued to those residents on Oct. 17, 2022.

Bottled water will continue to be provided by the Navy to residents served by wells associated with the remaining three new POET systems for drinking and cooking until it is confirmed by both the Navy and MEDEP that the POET systems are operating properly.

Closing. If you have any questions regarding the NSA Cutler PFAS Drinking Water Investigation, please send an email to NAVFAC_ML_PAO@navy.mil or call the NAVFAC Mid-Atlantic Public Affairs Office at 1-757-341-1410/1411. The Navy continues to work with property owners, community leaders, and other federal, state, and local agencies, and will keep the community informed while respecting the privacy of individual residents.

NOTE: If you no longer want to receive these status updates, please send an email to: NAVFAC_ML_PAO@navy.mil, and we will update our list.

Thank you.

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Navy PFAS website: https://www.secnav.navy.mil/eie/Pages/PFAS_Home.aspx

DoD PFAS website: <https://www.acq.osd.mil/eie/eer/ecc/pfas/>