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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 for NSA Cutler Fire Station.** The PFAS environmental investigation fieldwork at Installation Restoration (IR) Site 10 (NSA Cutler Fire Station) was completed on Dec. 22, 2022. The preliminary results from the analytical laboratory are pending. Once the Navy receives all of the analytical results and data validation is complete, the Navy will evaluate the results and prepare a report documenting the results, conclusions, and recommendations. The final report will be available for the public to review; the report is expected to be finalized in summer 2023. 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](mailto:paul.r.young71.civ@us.navy.mil).

**Off-Base Drinking Water Sampling near NSA Cutler Fire Station.** The off-base drinking water sampling results to date are summarized and posted on the NSA Cutler Environmental Restoration website at: <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, and the Navy is in the process of updating the website with the validated sampling results. For transparency with the public, final drinking water sampling results are also available online at: <https://denix.osd.mil/dod-pfas/section-345-data-search/section-345-data-reporting>. Individual drinking water sample results cannot be linked with the sampled property on this website. 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) and second quarter (September 2022) POET performance sampling results indicated the systems are working properly. The third quarter sampling event was completed Dec. 5-7, 2022 (results pending), and the next quarterly sampling event is scheduled for March 2023. POET performance monitoring for the five new POET systems installed between January and July 2022 is ongoing and still within the first year of operation. The most recent POET performance monitoring sampling for these five new POET systems was completed in September 2022 (four POET systems) and November 2022 (one POET system) and indicate the systems are providing treated water with PFOA and PFOS below 70 parts per trillion (ppt). The next POET performance monitoring is scheduled for February and March 2023.

In September 2022, the Navy notified the residents associated with two of the five new POET system locations that they may begin using the treated water for drinking and cooking; bottled water was discontinued to those residents on Oct. 17, 2022. In December 2022, the Navy notified the residents associated with two more new POET system locations that they may begin using the treated water for drinking and cooking; bottled water will be discontinued to those residents on Jan. 9, 2023. The Navy will continue to provide bottled water for drinking and cooking to the one remaining property with a new POET system until it is confirmed by both the

Navy and Maine Department of Environmental Protection (MEDEP) that the POET system is operating properly and is providing treated water with PFOA and PFOS below 70 ppt.

**Closing.** If you have any questions regarding the NSA Cutler PFAS Drinking Water Sampling, please send an email to [NAVFAC\\_ML\\_PAO@navy.mil](mailto: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](mailto: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](https://www.secnav.navy.mil/eie/Pages/PFAS_Home.aspx)

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