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Harry Pool
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**Re: Follow-Up: Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances Test Results
Southgate (MD0180048)**

Dear Mr. Pool,

Thank you for your cooperation in the Maryland Department of the Environment's (MDE, or the Department) assessment of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) in drinking water. An unfinished groundwater sample was collected from Southgate's WELL 1 SM881091.

The Department is conducting this assessment to help the State better understand the occurrence of PFAS in Maryland's drinking water sources and to help water systems make informed management decisions related to their water quality. Enclosed in this letter are the results from the samples collected at Southgate on August 31st, 2021. The samples were analyzed for 18 PFAS listed under EPA Method 537.1 by the Maryland Department of Health, Laboratories Administration.

Currently, there are no enforceable national or state Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCLs) for PFAS in drinking water; however, the USEPA has established a Health Advisory Level (HAL) of 70 parts per trillion (ppt) for the sum of Perfluorooctanoic Acid (PFOA) and Perfluorooctane Sulfonate (PFOS). This HAL provides drinking water customers, including the most sensitive populations, a margin of protection from lifetime exposure to PFOA and PFOS. As part of this sampling program, MDE has also set project-specific action levels for PFOA+PFOS of 35 ppt and 28 ppt that will serve as triggers for additional sampling. PFAS were not detected in the sample collected at the system.

At this time, MDE encourages your system to continue monitoring treated waters at their points of entry into the distribution system. Furthermore, MDE requests your system submit any results from voluntary monitoring to MDE to keep us apprised of the latest information relating to PFAS in state drinking water sources. Until an MCL is formally adopted into regulation, these results will not be considered as compliance results. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 410-537-3184 or by email at Rebecca-ann.warns@maryland.gov.

Sincerely,
Rebecca-Ann Warns
Water Supply Program

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT
 PER- AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES (PFAS) ANALYTICAL RESULTS
 SOUTHGATE
 MD0180048

Analyte	WELL 1 SM881091
11Cl-PF3OUdS	ND
ADONA	ND
9Cl-PF3ONS	ND
HFPO-DA	ND
N-EtFOSAA	ND
N-MeFOSAA	ND
PFBS	ND
PFDA	ND
PFDoA	ND
PFHpA	ND
PFHxS	ND
PFHxA	ND
PFNA	ND
PFOS	ND
PFOA	ND
PFTA	ND
PFTTrDA	ND
PFUnDA	ND
Total PFOA/PFOS	ND

An unfinished groundwater sample was collected on 8/31/2021.
 All results are in parts per trillion (ppt).