

Perfluorochemicals Message



A message from Aqua on PFCs:

Aqua Pennsylvania currently provides water service to a number of municipalities throughout Bucks and Montgomery counties. As we fulfill our mission to protect and provide Earth's most essential resource, we continually monitor and test for a host of contaminants, and make necessary adjustments based on that monitoring, to ensure the public's health. We comply with standards set by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to base our treatment plans.

In May 2016, the EPA established a new health advisory level of 70 parts per trillion for contaminants called perfluorochemicals (PFCs). EPA health advisories are the result of science-based studies and consider the impact of contaminants on the most vulnerable populations, including lactating females, and infants.

Through our routine sampling, if we find a value higher than the health advisory level, we immediately notify the DEP and affected customers.

It is important to note that all of Aqua's service territories tested to date are below the health advisory level for PFCs.

In addition to the EPA science that supports the safety of the health advisory, Aqua has been in direct contact with the EPA and the DEP, and both agencies have assured us that water with PFCs below the health advisory of 70 parts per trillion is safe for our customers to drink.

Aqua has a long history of working hard to protect the region's water supplies for future generations. We are carefully monitoring the situation and pushing for more immediate efforts to clean up the contamination from the military base near Horsham.

For more information, call Aqua at 877-987-2782.

To learn more about PFCs, visit [EPA's website](#).

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