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To Our Customers:

The presence of PFCs, or perfluorochemicals, in drinking water supplies has become a concern across the country and around the world. PFCs are a group of human-made chemicals used in the manufacturing of many everyday products. The Horsham Water and Sewer Authority (HWSA) and Horsham Township are committed to ensuring the ongoing safety of our community's water supply.

HWSA first discovered PFCs in certain public water supply wells in July 2014. As a result, HWSA shut down two of its public water supply wells. On May 19, 2016, the EPA released a Lifetime Health Advisory for PFCs. As a result of these new standards, set forth to protect the health and safety of our residents, HWSA acted swiftly, shutting down three additional wells to ensure compliance with EPA guidance.

All water provided by HWSA meets or exceeds all state and federal drinking water quality standards, and all nine of our active wells in Horsham show PFC levels significantly below the new EPA Lifetime Health Advisory. Results of all monitoring to date are available on the HWSA's website at horshamwater-sewer.com and will continually be updated as new results become available.

HWSA has entered an \$8.8 million agreement with the Navy which provides for the design, installation, and operation of treatment systems for the impacted public supply wells, purchase of supplemental water, and connection of properties with private wells above the health advisory level.

Treatment systems at the first two public supply wells are expected to be installed and operational by the end of the year. HWSA and the Township are currently evaluating options for treatment at the other three wells, including the potential for the installation of temporary filtration units. No public supply well will be put back into service unless and until we are satisfied that the treatment systems will remove PFCs to *below* the EPA health advisory.

We take the health and safety of our customers extremely seriously. We want to assure you that the water delivered from our system to your home continues to meet all Safe Drinking Water Act standards and health advisories, and we will continue to sample and monitor our sources to ensure that remains the case.

More information can be found at horshamwater-sewer.com and on Horsham Township's website, horsham.org. Should you have additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office at 215-672-8011.

Very truly yours,

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