



March 12, 2024

The Honorable Dawn Keefer
Pennsylvania House of Representatives
House Post Office Box 202092
Harrisburg, PA 17120-2092

Dear Representative Keefer:

The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) South Central Regional Office (SCRO) has investigated a release or threat of release of a hazardous substance in the Newberry and Fairview Township area and has determined that further response action is appropriate. Therefore, DEP will undertake a prompt interim response at this site.

The Notice of Response under the Hazardous Sites Cleanup Act (HSCA) for the Newberry Township PFC site was initially published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* on December 30, 2023. However, with weather related cancellation of the previously scheduled public hearing, the Department has opted to republish notice for this action in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* on March 16, 2024 and subsequently in *Penn Live / Harrisburg-Patriot News*.

The proposed prompt interim response action is to install Point of Entry Treatment (POET) Systems and Institutional Controls to the residents and businesses with private water-supplies that contain per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) above the established maximum contaminant levels (MCLs) of 14 and 18 ng/L (nanograms per liter) for perfluorooctanoic (PFOA) and perfluorooctanesulfonic (PFOS) acids, respectively. The enclosed notice concerns the Administrative Record developed by DEP. This record contains the documents used by DEP to determine that this response is necessary and will be available for public review and comment. The 90-day public comment period has been extended an additional ninety (90) days to June 14, 2024. A public hearing to accept oral comments will be held at the Cross Roads Middle School Auditorium, 535 Fishing Creek Road, Lewisberry, PA on April 17, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

If you need any further information regarding this investigation of the Newberry Township PFC site, please contact me at 717.705.4853 or e-mail me at delow@pa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dennis Low". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Dennis Low
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