Hazardous Sites Cleanup Under the Act of October 18, 1988
Notice of Prompt-Interim Response

Boyertown Landfill HSCA Site, 300 Merkel Road, Gilbertsville, PA 19525, Douglass Township, **Montgomery County**.

The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), under the authority of the Hazardous Sites Cleanup Act (HSCA) (35 P.S. §§6020.101-6020.1305) has initiated a Prompt-Interim Response at the Boyertown Landfill HSCA Site (Site). This response has been initiated pursuant to Sections 501(a) and 505(b) of HSCA (35 P.S. §§6020.501(a) and 6020-505(b)). The Site is located in: Douglass Township, Montgomery County, PA.

The Site consists of a landfill located at 300 Merkel Road and the surrounding area. The area primarily consists of residential properties, an apartment complex, a few commercial properties, and agricultural land. To date, six residential potable wells have been affected by per- and polyfluorinated Substances (PFAS), and one PFAS, perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) was detected above its Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) in all six wells. These residents with contaminated wells are receiving or have been offered bottled water service.

To address the release and threat of release of PFAS at the Site and corresponding threats to human health, DEP installed, and will maintain for the duration of its drinking water investigation at the Site, point-of-entry treatment systems. This response complies with Applicable, Relevant and Appropriate Requirements (ARARs), is feasible, and cost-effective. Other alternatives considered were no action, and the continued delivery of bottled water.

This notice is being provided pursuant to Section 506(b) of HSCA. The Administrative Record which contains the information that forms the basis and documents the selection of this response action is available for public review and comment. The Administrative Record is located at DEP's Southeast Regional Office at 2 East Main Street, Norristown, PA 19401, and is available for review Monday through Friday from 8:00 am until 4:00 pm. Those interested in examining the Administrative Record at DEP's office should contact Colin R. Wade at 484.250.5722 or by email at cowade@pa.gov to arrange for an appointment or to request electronic copies of documents in the administrative record. An additional hard copy of the administrative record is available for review at Douglass Township Building.

The Administrative Record will be open for comment from May 13, 2023 until August 11, 2023. Any person may submit written comments into the record during this time only, by sending them to Colin R. Wade, Environmental Protection Specialist, at the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, 2 East Main Street, Norristown, PA 19401 or by email at cowade@pa.gov.

In addition, any person may present oral comments, for inclusion in the Administrative Record, at a public hearing. DEP has scheduled the hearing on June 21, 2023 at 6:30 PM. Any person wishing to present comments must register with Stephanie Berardi a minimum of 24 hours in advance of the hearing by telephone at 484-250-5808, electronic mail at sberardi@pa.gov.

Persons with a disability who wish to attend the hearing and require auxiliary aid, service or other accommodations to participate in the proceedings, should call Stephanie Berardi at 484-250-5808 or the Pennsylvania AT&T Relay Service at 1-800-654-5984 (TDD) to discuss how DEP may accommodate their needs.