

April 26, 2017

Property Owner or Current Resident
XXX Old Mill Road
Sellersville, PA 18960

Re: Private Well Sampling
Ridge Run PFAS HSCA Site
Bucks County

Dear Property Owner or Current Resident:

The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is conducting a groundwater investigation in your area. The investigation is being conducted pursuant to the Pennsylvania Hazardous Sites Cleanup Act, Act of October 18, 1988, P.L. 756, No. 108, as amended, 35 P.S. Sections 6020.101 et seq. (HSCA), for the purpose of determining the extent of perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS) in the aquifer underlying the area, which we are referring to as the Ridge Run PFAS HSCA Site (Site). PFOA and PFOS are part of a larger class of chemicals known as per- and poly-fluorinated alkyl substances (PFASs). Please see the enclosed information sheet for more details about these chemicals and the investigation we are conducting.

At this time, DEP is in the process of gathering information from private well owners within an expanded area of our initial one-mile investigation radius surrounding Ridge Run Road in Sellersville. Your property has been identified as lying within this expanded area. Accordingly, we ask for your assistance in completing the enclosed "Private Well Questionnaire". If your property utilizes a private well, kindly fill it out to the best of your ability and return it in the self-addressed stamped envelope provided. This information will allow us to develop a well inventory which will greatly assist us in developing an organized strategy to sample as many wells as possible in the area. Once we receive completed well questionnaires and make arrangements with a testing laboratory, we will begin contacting residents to schedule sampling.

The sampling process itself is simple and will be conducted by DEP and/or our contractors. If you are not able to be home during regular business hours, please indicate your availability on the questionnaire and we will contact you to make arrangements. All costs associated with the collection and analysis of the water samples will be paid by DEP. Upon receipt from the testing laboratory, DEP will furnish you with a copy of the analytical results from your well water. We are sampling for PFOA and PFOS only.

For more information on PFOA & PFOS, as well as details on DEP's investigation, please visit dep.pa.gov/pfcs.

Your cooperation and assistance are greatly appreciated. If you should have any questions, please contact the project officer listed at the top of the enclosed questionnaire.

Sincerely,

Lena Harper
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Environmental Cleanup and Brownfields

Enclosures

cc: West Rockhill Township
Bucks County Health Department
Pennsylvania Department of Health
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