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Dear Customer:

PFAS has become an important topic in the water industry. In addition to the required notification regarding our PFAS testing results, we would like to give you additional information about PFAS and the water in Indian Hills Water District (IHWD, or District).

Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) are a large, complex group of synthetic chemicals that have been used in consumer products around the world since about the 1950s. They are ingredients in various everyday products. Where are PFAS found? While firefighting foam has been identified as a main source/contributor, PFAS are also found in:

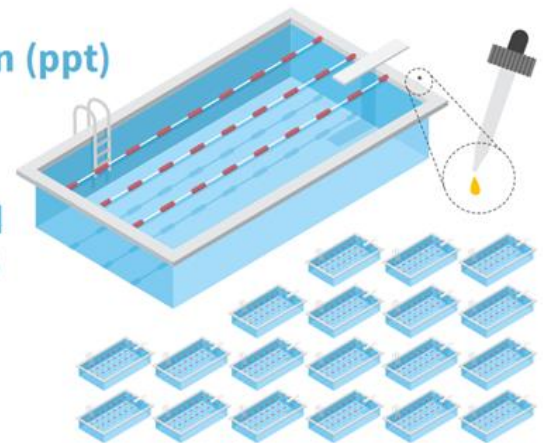
- Cleaning products.
- Water-resistant fabrics, such as rain jackets, umbrellas, and tents.
- Grease-resistant paper.
- Nonstick cookware.
- Personal care products, like shampoo, dental floss, nail polish, and eye makeup.
- Stain-resistant coatings used on carpets, upholstery, and other fabrics.

The EPA recently changed the maximum contaminant level (MCL), reducing it from 70 parts per trillion (ppt) for PFOA and PFOS combined, to 0.004 ppt for PFOA and 0.02 ppt for PFOS. This reduction is over 17,000 times lower than what was considered safe by EPA just 6 years ago. IHWD voluntarily participated in PFAS testing in 2020. The 2020 results were below the EPA's Minimum Reporting Level at that time.

1 part per trillion (ppt)

**IS EQUIVALENT TO A
SINGLE DROP OF
WATER IN**

**20 olympic-sized
swimming pools**



The District will follow all prescribed testing and is researching and will install treatment systems to remove PFAS from our water within specified time limits.

Sincerely,

Indian Hills Water District