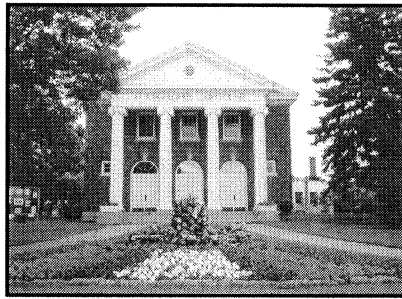


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For Immediate Release:

The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) has begun a statewide initiative to test drinking water from all schools that use well water and community water supplies. The test is looking for a group of manmade chemicals called per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). MDEQ is taking this precautionary step of testing these drinking water sources to determine if public health actions are needed.

It is not uncommon to find low levels of PFAS in drinking water supplies, as PFAS can be found in fire-fighting foams, stain repellants, nonstick cookware, waterproof clothing, food wrappers, and many other household products. They do not break down in the environment and move easily into water.

The EPA set a Lifetime Health Advisory (LHA) level for two PFAS in drinking water, perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS). The LHA level is 70 parts per trillion (ppt, equal to 70 ng/L) for PFOA and PFOS combined, or individually if only one is present. The EPA has not set health advisory levels for other PFAS compounds. The State of Michigan is using 70 ppt for decision making purposes.

The City of Kingsford water supply was tested by AECOM, MDEQ's contractor on August 31st and the test results were received on November 28th. The test results are included and can be found on the Michigan PFAS Action Response Team website, www.michigan.gov/pfasresponse. The results show that of the PFOA and PFOS tested, 3 parts per trillion were found in the water. The level is below the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) lifetime health advisory (LHA).

The City of Kingsford is committed to providing our customers with quality drinking water. As your water supplier, we are working closely with MDEQ to maintain the quality of your water.

For health related questions, contact the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) at 1-800-648-6942 or visit one of the websites below.

For information on PFAS including possible health outcomes, visit these websites:

- State of Michigan PFAS Action Response Team (MPART) website serving as the main resource for public information on PFAS contamination in Michigan www.michigan.gov/pfasresponse
- Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ASTDR) website including health information, exposure, and links to additional resources www.atsdr.cdc.gov/pfas
- United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) website including basic information, U.S. EPA actions, and links to informational resources www.epa.gov/pfas

Sample ID: GWNT1808221200GSC

Client Data				Laboratory Data			
Name:	Merit Laboratories, Inc.	Matrix:	Drinking Water	Lab Sample:	1802777-01		
Project:	MDEQ State Municipal Sampling	Date Collected:	22-Aug-18 12:00	Date Received:	29-Aug-18 09:40		
Location:	KINGSFORD03640CH001						
Analyte	CAS Number	Conc. (ng/L)	RL	Qualifiers	Batch	Extrac	
PFBS	375-73-5	ND	2		B8H0249	31-Aug	
PFHxA	307-24-4	ND	2		B8H0249	31-Aug	
PFHpA	375-85-9	ND	2		B8H0249	31-Aug	
PFHxS	355-46-4	ND	2		B8H0249	31-Aug	
PFOA	335-67-1	ND	2		B8H0249	31-Aug	
PFNA	375-95-1	ND	2		B8H0249	31-Aug	
PFOS	1763-23-1	ND	2		B8H0249	31-Aug	
PFDA	335-76-2	ND	2		B8H0249	31-Aug	
MeFOSAA	2355-31-9	ND	4		B8H0249	31-Aug	
EtFOSAA	2991-50-6	ND	4		B8H0249	31-Aug	
PFUnA	2058-94-8	ND	4		B8H0249	31-Aug	
PFDoA	307-55-1	ND	4		B8H0249	31-Aug	
PFTTrDA	72629-94-8	ND	4		B8H0249	31-Aug	
PFTeDA	376-06-7	ND	4		B8H0249	31-Aug	
Labeled Standards	Type	% Recovery	Limits	Qualifiers	Batch	Extrac	
13C2-PFHxA	SURR	93	70 - 130		B8H0249	31-Aug	
13C2-PFDA	SURR	95	70 - 130		B8H0249	31-Aug	
d5-EtFOSAA	SURR	93	70 - 130		B8H0249	31-Aug	

RL - Reporting limit

Results reported to RL.
Reporting convention specified by MI DEQ.

When reported, PFHxS, PFOA, PF
linear and branched isomers. Only
analytes.

Sample ID: GWNT1808221215GSC

Client Data				Laboratory Data			
Name:	Merit Laboratories, Inc.	Matrix:	Drinking Water	Lab Sample:	1802777-02		
Project:	MDEQ State Municipal Sampling	Date Collected:	22-Aug-18 12:15	Date Received:	29-Aug-18 09:40		
Location:	KINGSFORD03640CH007						

Analyte	CAS Number	Conc. (ng/L)	RL	Qualifiers	Batch	Extrac
PFBS	375-73-5	ND	2		B8H0249	31-Aug
PFHxA	307-24-4	ND	2		B8H0249	31-Aug
PFHpA	375-85-9	ND	2		B8H0249	31-Aug
PFHxS	355-46-4	3	2		B8H0249	31-Aug
PFOA	335-67-1	ND	2		B8H0249	31-Aug
PFNA	375-95-1	ND	2		B8H0249	31-Aug
PFOS	1763-23-1	ND	2		B8H0249	31-Aug
PFDA	335-76-2	ND	2		B8H0249	31-Aug
MeFOSAA	2355-31-9	ND	4		B8H0249	31-Aug
EtFOSAA	2991-50-6	ND	4		B8H0249	31-Aug
PFUnA	2058-94-8	ND	4		B8H0249	31-Aug
PFDoA	307-55-1	ND	4		B8H0249	31-Aug
PFTTrDA	72629-94-8	ND	4		B8H0249	31-Aug
PFTeDA	376-06-7	ND	4		B8H0249	31-Aug

Labeled Standards	Type	% Recovery	Limits	Qualifiers	Batch	Extrac
13C2-PFHxA	SURR	99	70 - 130		B8H0249	31-Aug
13C2-PFDA	SURR	106	70 - 130		B8H0249	31-Aug
d5-EtFOSAA	SURR	104	70 - 130		B8H0249	31-Aug

RL - Reporting limit

Results reported to RL.
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When reported, PFHxS, PFOA, PFNA, PFOS, PFDA, PFUnA, PFDoA, PFTTrDA, PFTeDA, linear and branched isomers. Only analytes.