

There has been a lot of recent news, reactions and questions regarding perfluorinated compounds (PFCs), namely perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) & perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS) in the area. PFOA and PFOS are fluorinated organic chemicals that are part of a larger group of chemicals referred to as perfluoroalkyl substances (PFASs). PFOA and PFOS have been the most extensively produced and studied of these chemicals. They have been used to make carpets, clothing, fabrics for furniture, paper packaging for food and other materials (e.g., cookware) that are resistant to water, grease or stains. They are also used for firefighting at airfields and in a number of industrial processes.

In 2013, as part of the Unregulated Contaminant Rule #3 (UCMR3), PRA sampled on two separate occasions (March and September) for PFC's at all active well sites. Both sample occurrences for all four well sites returned as non-detectable.

With the recent discovery that North Penn Water Authority (NPWA) had levels close to or exceeding the Health Advisory Level (HAL) of 70 parts per trillion in 2 of their municipals wells in East Rockhill Township, the Perkasio Regional Authority Board directed the staff to re-sample the PRA well sites to ensure that there is still no detectable levels of these compounds. As always Perkasio Regional Authority is dedicated to providing the safest possible water supply around the clock to our consumers.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the quality of your drinking water, please call the office staff at 215-257-3654.