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«Institution\_Name»  
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Re: «Site\_Address\_Num» «Site\_Address\_Street»

Dear «First\_Name\_1» «First\_Name\_2» «Institution\_Name»:

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) has reviewed the results of tests run on your well water. Your water was recently tested as part of the work the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) is doing to identify locations where per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) are in well water near the (*site name*). Your water was tested because your home is near (*site name*).

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) set an advisory for two PFAS in drinking water, PFOA and PFOS. The lifetime health advisory level is 70 parts per trillion (70 ppt or 70 ng/L) for PFOA and PFOS combined. The EPA has not set health advisory levels for other PFAS.

Your water test results are found below:

Total PFOA and PFOS	«Total_PFOA_PFOS» ng/L
Total PFAS tested	«Total_PFAS» ng/L

**Your water test results for perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and perfluorooctane sulfonic acid (PFOS) were higher than the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) health advisory level.**

**As a result, MDHHS and (*LHD name*) advise that you use water from a filtration system certified to reduce PFOA and PFOS for water uses where you might swallow your well water. These water uses include drinking, cooking, making baby formula or food, washing fruits or vegetables, and brushing your teeth. It is recommended you use filtered water for pets too.**

Getting water with PFAS on your skin will not harm you. PFAS do not absorb easily into the skin. You can bathe, do your dishes, launder your clothes, and clean with your water.

(*LHD name*) can provide you with a free filtration system. This filtration system is certified by NSF International to reduce PFOA and PFOS by 96 percent. Contact (*LHD Name*) at (*LHD Phone*) for a filtration system. You may install the system yourself, or (*LHD Name*) will arrange for a plumber to install it for you at no charge.

MDHHS along with local, state, and federal partners are continuing to review the best available science on PFAS. MDHHS and *(LHD name)* will contact you if our recommendations change.

*(When applicable: This investigation is ongoing and testing may expand into other areas around the [site name]).* Residents will continue to be informed about PFAS through public meetings and mailings. More information can also be found at [www.michigan.gov/pfasresponse](http://www.michigan.gov/pfasresponse).

Several agencies are working on this issue, including:

- ***(LHD name)*** – assists with coordination of water testing and issues health recommendations and advisories when needed.
- **Michigan Department of Health and Human Services** – evaluates water test results for possible risk to human health and assists *(LHD name)* in issuing health recommendations and advisories.
- ***(When applicable: PRP name)*** – investigating PFAS contamination at *(site name)* with MDEQ oversight.
- **Michigan Department of Environmental Quality** – oversees environmental investigations and cleanup.
- **Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD)** – provides guidance for pets and livestock.

We understand you may have questions after receiving your water test results. Feel free to call one of the following organizations.

- *(LHD name)* – *(LHD phone)*
- MDHHS Environmental Public Health – 800-648-6942

Sincerely,

*(Insert name and title)*  
Michigan Department of Health and Human Services

*Health Officer*  
*Health officer title*  
*LHD name*

Enclosures