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Mr. Kidd and Dr. LaPlante:

On June 15, 2022, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) released four drinking water health advisories for PFAS chemicals. These new advisories establish a significantly lower federal threshold for protecting public health than the previous EPA advisory of 70 parts per trillion (ppt) for PFOS and PFOA. The new guidelines are .02 ppt for PFOS and .004 ppt for PFOA.

In its public announcement, the EPA indicated that these advisories were issued “in light of newly available science and in accordance with EPA’s responsibility to protect public health.” We urge the U.S. Department of Defense (DOD) to incorporate the EPA’s new science regarding the toxicity of PFAS set forth in the new public health PFAS guidelines when setting screening levels and cleanup standards for contamination caused by DOD sites.

Our states view the new EPA advisories as another call for immediate and comprehensive action to protect the Americans we serve from drinking water exposures to these chemicals. We respectively request that DOD act with the same

level of urgency to address PFAS contamination as timely and completely as possible.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Our states look forward to continued partnership with DOD as we all take action to respond to this vital public health challenge.

Sincerely,



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