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7-569)

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The Department of Environmental Protection has received the following comments on Proposed Rulemaking: Safe Drinking Water PFAS MCL Rule (#7-569).

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## Comments entered:

I'm writing to call on DEP to strengthen its proposal to tackle pollution from the "forever chemicals" known as PFAS. While I'm glad DEP is looking at addressing this issue, the proposal has far too many loopholes to protect public health. My drinking water has 18.3ppt of PFAS. Every peer reviewed study that I've read says I shouldn't drink my water. Proposed DEP standards say it is safe.

- 1. DEP must include ALL of PFAS chemicals currently being excluded by this proposal, including PFNA, PFHxA, PFHxS, PFHpA and PFBS. At least test the top 25!
- 2. Allowable pollution levels in the current proposal are far too high to protect public health. No level of PFAS exposure is safe. DEP should set maximum levels below 6ppt for both PFOS and PFOA. Harvard study sets the limit a 1ppt!
- 3. DEP must close its exemption for private well water, which would leave 3.5 million Pennsylvanians at risk of contamination from "forever chemicals."
- 4. DEP must require wells and water companies to test yearly for forever chemicals. If a water

system tests positive for PFAS, they should be required to test monthly until contamination levels drop.

No attachments were included as part of this comment.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely, Jessica Shirley

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