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# Department of Environmental Protection

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP), under its authority pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 111, § 160, is proposing amendments to 310 CMR 22.00, Massachusetts Drinking Water Regulations. The proposed new regulation establishes a Total Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) of 20 ppt for six PFAS contaminants: perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS), perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA), perfluorohexane sulfonic acid (PFHxS), perfluorononanoic acid (PFNA), perfluoroheptanoic acid (PFHpA), and perfluorodecanoic acid (PFDA).

Five public hearings will be held under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 30A on the following dates and locations to receive comments on the proposed changes. Testimony may be presented orally or in writing at the public hearings.

#### Thursday, January 23, 2020 - Springfield, MA

Public Hearing: 1:00 p.m. MassDEP's Western Regional Office 436 Dwight Street, (413) 784-1100

#### Friday, January 24, 2020 – Boston, MA

Public Hearing: 10:00 a.m. MassDEP's Boston Headquarters One Winter Street, (617) 292-5500

#### Tuesday, January 28, 2020 – Lakeville, MA

Public Hearing: 10:00 a.m. MassDEP's Southeast Regional Office 20 Riverside Drive, (508) 946-2700

#### Wednesday, January 29, 2020 - Wilmington, MA

Public Hearing: 1:00 p.m. MassDEP's Northeast Regional Office 205 Lowell Street, (978) 694-3200

## Friday, January 31, 2020 – Worcester, MA Public Hearing: 10:00 a.m.

MassDEP's Central Regional Office

This information is available in alternate format. Contact Michelle Waters-Ekanem, Director of Diversity/Civil Rights at 617-292-5751. TTY# MassRelay Service 1-800-439-2370 MassDEP Website: www.mass.gov/dep Printed on Recycled Paper Written comments will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 28, 2020. The Department strongly encourages electronic filing. Please submit written by e-mail to <u>program.director-dwp@mass.gov</u> and include *PFAS MCL Comments* in the subject line. In lieu of electronic submittal, please send a paper copy to Attn: PFAS MCL Comment, MassDEP, Drinking Water Program, 1 Winter St., 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Boston, MA 02108. All comments submitted must include the name and contact information of the person providing the comments.

Copies of the proposed regulations will be made available on MassDEP's website at: https://www.mass.gov/regulations/310-CMR-22-the-massachusetts-drinking-water-regulations.

For special accommodations for these hearings, please call the MassDEP Diversity Office at 617-292-5751. TTY# MassRelay Service 1-800-439-2370. This information is available in alternate format upon request.

By Order of the Department

Martin Suuberg, Commissioner