Subject [SRRA]: Adoption of ground water quality standards and maximum concentration levels for perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS)

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) has adopted amendments to the Discharge of Petroleum and Other Hazardous Substance rules (N.J.A.C. 7:1E), Ground Water Quality Standards (N.J.A.C. 7:9C), Private Well Testing Act rules (N.J.A.C. 7:9E), Safe Drinking Water Act rules (N.J.A.C. 7:10), and New Jersey Pollutant Discharge Elimination System rules (N.J.A.C. 7:14A). These amendments are related to the adoption of ground water quality standards and maximum concentration levels (MCL) for perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS), effective on June 1, 2020. Specific rule amendments are as follows:

The NJDEP has amended the List of Hazardous Substances in the Discharges of Petroleum and Other Hazardous Substances rules at N.J.A.C. 7:1E Appendix A to include the acidic and anionic forms of PFOA, PFOS, and perfluorononanoic acid (PFNA) and their salts and esters. An illustrative list of compounds identified as salts and esters of PFNA, PFOA, and PFOS can be found at https://www.nj.gov/dep/enforcement/dp/dpnews.htm

A courtesy copy of the adoption package can be found on the NJDEP web site at www.nj.gov/dep/rules/adoptions.html.