

## PFAS – Regulatory Update

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### **Regulatory Developments Since Fall 2021**

#### October 2021 PFAS Strategic Roadmap

- August 26 2022—EPA Announces Plan to Designate PFOA and PFOS Hazardous Substances under CERCLA
  - PFOA = perflurorooctanoic acid
  - PFOS = perfluorooctanesulfonic acid

## **PFOA & PFOS** F F F F F F F3C FFFFFF **PFOA** $F_3C$ FFFFFF PFOS

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#### EPA's Stated Objectives in Listing PFOA & PFOS

Reporting releases

- Enforcement of cleanup obligations
- Facilitate quicker cleanup

• Encouragement better waste management

• Minimize risk to human health and environment

#### EPA Drinking Water Lifetime Health Advisories (LHA)

June 15, 2022

- Interim LHAs
  - PFOA (0.004 nanograms per liter [ng/L] (ppt)
    PFOS (0.02 ng/L)

### •Final LHAs

- Gen-X (10 ng/L)
- PFBS (2,000 ng/L)

### Other Results re 2021 Strategic Roadmap

- DW Advisories for 4 types of PFAS
- Issue 5<sup>th</sup> Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule for 29 PFAS Compounds
- Anticipate proposing PFAS National DW Regulation by end of 2022
- Draft aquatic life water quality criteria for PFOA and PFOS
- Address PFAS in Clean Water Act permitting

## More from EPA

- \$1BB grant funding under Infrastructure Law
   Issue 1<sup>st</sup> PFAS test order under TSCA as part of National PFAS Testing Strategy
- Adding PFAS regional screening and removal management levels



### A Busy Year in California PFAS Regulation

- October 5, 2021: Gov. Newsom signs AB 1200
  - As of January 1, 2023: PFAS added to plant-based food packaging >100 ppm BANNED
  - As of January 1, 2024: Labeling Requirement for all cookware manufacturers for any surface n contact with food
- CalRecycle adopts regs re sustainable packaging (SB 1335)
- December 24, 2021: OEHHA adds PFOS to Proposition 65

### More California Developments

February 25, 2022

### **OEHHA lists PFOA**

April 1, 2022

DTSC amends regulations PFAS textile treatments now "Priority Product"

# AFFF MDL—South Carolina



### Important Developments

#### 2,500 cases

### Three bellweather cases in 2023 Municipalities alleging DW contamination for which manufacturers (PFAS and AFFF) and suppliers are liable

#### BIG RULING by USDC South Carolina

August 19, 2022

#### Hearing on Manufacturers' Partial MSJ re Government Contractor Defense

Contractor Defense: performance vs. specification standard

- Judge Gergel skeptical
  - Doubts manufacturers fully disclosed knowledge of toxicity to Government
  - Some manufacturers refused to disclose anything

#### • September 16, 2022: Judge Gergel DENIED partial MSJ