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MEMORANDUM

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The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is requesting comment to be submitted to the docket on per- and polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS). PFAS is a category of man-made chemicals that have been widely used to make products because of their stain-resistant, waterproof and/or nonstick properties. The EPA will consider all comments with the purpose of:

- Obtaining information on ongoing efforts to characterize risks from PFAS and develop monitoring and treatment/cleanup techniques;
- Informing specific near-term actions, beyond those already underway, that are needed to address challenges currently facing states and local communities; and
- Developing risk communication strategies to address public concerns with PFAS.

This document will be open for public comment from May 21, 2018 to July 20, 2018.

Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OW-2018-0270 to www.regulations.gov: Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.

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